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Early Green on the Scene

Ryegrass Varieties Germinate Fast in the Cool Season

Ryegrasses are the most widely grown cool-season grasses in the world and are adapted into lawns mainly for their ability to grow quickly.

“Ryegrass is a great cool-season choice because it germinates fast and has a high growing rate in most soils and climates,” says Tyke Bennett, Seed Products Manager, Fertizona.

There are two basic types of ryegrasses: annual and perennial. Both can provide a winter green lawn overseeded on warm-season grasses that go dormant in the fall/winter.

Annual Ryegrass

Annual ryegrass is generally used as a temporary planting—it is seeded yearly and lives for one season. Annual ryegrass provides almost “instant” green coverage, making it an important factor in establishing lawns in all but the hottest areas. Annual ryegrass is an economical alternative but grows faster and has wider leaf blades than perennial ryegrass.

Perennial Ryegrass

Perennial ryegrass is a permanent lawn choice in cooler climate areas. It is often used for athletic turf because of its quick germination, shiny green color, fine texture, density and high disease and insect resistance. In the desert Southwest, perennial ryegrass needs to be replanted every year because the extreme heat causes it to die out each summer.

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Fertizona and Compton Ag Services offer the following fall turfgrass seed varieties:

- Fairway Classic Perennial Ryegrass Blend
- Signature Classic Perennial Ryegrass Blend
- Pleasure+® Perennial Ryegrass Blend
- Ferti-Turf Perennial Ryegrass
- Annual Ryegrass
- Overtime® Improved Turf-Type Tall Fescue Blend

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Eliminate Spray Overlap

2DYE4 Blue and 2DYE4 Green SC Ensure Uniformly Applied Products



Fertizona has added two spray indicator dyes, 2DYE4 Blue and 2DYE4 Green SC, to its line of surfactants.

2DYE4 Blue and 2DYE4 Green SC are water-soluble, temporary colorants designed to eliminate overlapping or skipping when spraying. For use with herbicides, insecticides, grass growth retardants, liquid fertilizers and more, they ensure accurate, uniformly applied products.

2DYE4 Blue

2DYE4 Blue is a low-stain colorant with anti-drift designed to reduce the risk of spray drift and non-target applications.

2DYE4 Green SC

2DYE4 Green SC is a super-concentrated colorant for use on golf courses, parks and other turf applications. It can also be used to enhance hydroseeding.

“2DYE4 Blue and 2DYE4 Green SC prevent burn, plant damage and skipped areas which could result in costly re-sprays,” says Craig Allen, Manager, Fertizona-Fennemore. “They’re suitable for all spray equipment including boom sprayers and walkovers.”

The dye lasts 24-48 hours and will wash off with rainfall or degrade with sunlight.

For more information, contact your local Fertizona representative.

Application Guidelines

Apply as a tank mix with pesticides or any other liquid treatments.

- Mix 2DYE4 Blue at 16 ounces per 100 gallons.
- Mix 2DYE 4 Green SC at 6 to 10 ounces per 100 gallons.

Doing More With Less

16-8-4 Blend + Furst™ Liquid Keeps Turf Green and Healthy

Achieving green turf requires using fertilizers with the necessary nutrition. 16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid is manufactured to help turf managers get maximum results from fertilizer applications.

Easy Application

16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid is made by coating a 16-8-4 SmartBlend™ with Furst Liquid, a nutritional technology formulated to increase fertilizer efficiency.

“Turf managers can conserve resources by using 16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid,” says Craig Allen, Manager, Fertizona-Fennemore. “They’re already applying traditional fertilizer. This just adds Furst Liquid to the mix.”

Seeing Results

Four Peaks Landscape Management, Inc., a full-service landscape company in Tempe, Arizona, conducted an application trial on Bermudagrass using 16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid.



It fertilized two turf areas at transition: one with 16-8-4 and the other with 16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid. The turf fertilized with 16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid experienced significant growth.

“We experienced great results with 16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid,” says Gene Trog, Co-Owner, Four Peaks Landscape.

16-8-4 blend + Furst Liquid is recommended for use on most turfgrasses.

Contact your local Fertizona representative for more information.

Furst Liquid