

The mandate: to develop a “cutting edge” variety of perennial ryegrass exceeding the quality and environmental demands of the most rigorous turfgrass professionals. After years of intensive breeding and testing, Pickseed’s research and development team fulfilled the promise – to a tee.

DESCRIPTION:

Backed by top ratings in our own and independent turf trials across North America, Cutter has proven to be one of the best perennial ryegrass varieties ever developed. For golf courses, sports fields, home lawns, and all fine turf situations, turn to Cutter – living, breathing proof that good breeding endures.

USAGE:

Good breeding means you can thrive, in fact *stand out*, in any situation, under all possible conditions. In this regard, Cutter passes the test as an exceptionally high ranking new variety. Cutter has a fine leaf texture and a low growth habit, with excellent winter hardiness, and hot weather tolerance. It’s this kind of versatility that makes Cutter a top performer, north and south.

Cutter is well adapted for use as a perennial turfgrass in the cool season turfgrass area, and in the transition zone. It can be used as a winter-seeding grass for dormant Bermudagrass in warm season areas such as Florida, Texas and Arizona.

Cutter is highly recommended for use on athletic fields, playgrounds, golf courses, and home lawns – any area where a fast-starting, attractive turf is desired. Cutter is very compatible with other cool season turfgrasses such as fine fescue and Kentucky bluegrass in turf mixtures. While a soil pH around 6.5 – 7.0 is ideal for Cutter, it will tolerate a pH range from about 5.0 – 8.0. Cutter grows best on fertile, well drained loamy soils, but will tolerate clay and sandy soils as well as poorly drained, wet soils.

DISEASE RESISTANCE:

Cutter is a high-endophyte perennial ryegrass (usually over 90% endophyte). In addition to natural resistance to many leaf and crown feeding insects, Cutter has excellent drought tolerance – the best of 123 varieties tested. It is well adapted to hot, humid summers and resists the Pythium and Brown Patch diseases very well.

CUTTER

PERENNIAL RYEGRASS

SEEDING:

Under average seeding conditions, Cutter will emerge 5 – 10 days after planting and may be ready for mowing in 3 – 4 weeks. A seeding rate of 5 – 7 lbs. / 1000 sq. ft. is recommended for perennial turf in cool season areas. For overseeding dormant golf greens in the south, a seeding rate of 20 – 40 lbs. / 1000 sq. ft. is recommended. With proper management and irrigation, Cutter can be seeded any time during the growing season. However, for most situations, the late summer to mid fall or early to mid spring periods are best.

TECHNICAL PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Year of Introduction	1991
Main Uses	Overseeding, golf courses, lawns, sports turf
Seed Count	285,000 seeds/lb.
Normal Days to Germinate	5 - 7 days
Normal Days to First Mowing	22 days
NTEP Quality Ratings (1991-94 Data)	Excellent - 6.2
Genetic Color	Dark green - 7.5
Summer Stress Tolerance	Very good
Leaf Texture	Medium - 6.0
Summer Turf Density	Very dense - 6.6
Salt Tolerance (10,000 ppm)	Very good
Sod Strength	Not tested
pH Range	4.8 - 7.9
Winter Injury	Good - 5.4 OH
Close Mowing Tolerance	Very good
Growth Rate	Medium fast
Mature Plant Height	Medium tall
Leaf Spot Resistance	Good - 6.7
Gray Leaf Spot Resistance	Fair
Brown Patch Resistance	Good - 6.0
Pythium Resistance	Very good - 7.2
Red Thread Resistance	Very good - 6.4