

Crossfire II features a darker green color, improved turf quality and better drought tolerance than its award-winning predecessor, making Crossfire II ideal for the transition zone and hotter areas of the country.

**DESCRIPTION:**

Crossfire II is the proud successor to Crossfire, the turf-type tall fescue that dominated the top rankings in national turf trials a few years ago. Crossfire II is an elite variety of turf-type tall fescue that combines an attractive dark-green color with good disease resistance and much improved heat and drought tolerance. While maintaining excellent vigor, Crossfire II is slower growing than older tall fescues.

**USAGE:**

Crossfire II is recommended for good quality lawns, parks, golf course roughs, playgrounds and all areas in need of a high-quality tall fescue turf. Crossfire II is specially recommended for growers who want top turf quality with reduced spring and fall growth rates.

**MANAGEMENT:**

For most situations, Crossfire II does best when fertilized with about 1/2 or 3/4 lb. of actual N per 1000 sq. ft. per month of growing season. A complete fertilizer supplying adequate amounts of phosphorous, potassium, sulfur and minor elements is generally best. A 1-1/2 – 3” mowing height is recommended for most turf uses. However, Crossfire II can tolerate mowing heights for perennial turf down to one inch.

## CROSSFIRE II

### TALL FESCUE

**SEEDING:**

Crossfire II has a large seed (roughly 185,000 per pound) which translates into good seedling vigor. A seeding rate of 6 – 8 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. is recommended. Pre-plant soil incorporation of about 1 lb. / 1000 sq. ft. actual NPK in a complete fertilizer is very helpful. Seedlings should emerge in 7 – 14 days.

**TECHNICAL PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS**

Year of Introduction	1993
Main Uses	Lawns, sports turf, roughs, sod, parks
Seed Count	185,000 seeds / lb.
Normal Days to Germinate	5 – 8 days, fall
Normal Days to First Mowing	30 days
NTEP Quality Ratings (1997 – 2000 data)	Excellent
Genetic Color	Medium dark green – 6.5
Summer Stress Tolerance	Excellent
Leaf Texture	Medium fine – 6.1
Turf Density	Excellent – 6.8
Shade Tolerance	Excellent – 4.7
Sod Strength	Not tested
pH Range	4.8 – 8.1
Winter hardiness	Very good
Close Mowing Tolerance	Very good – down to 1”
Growth Rate	Medium – 4.5
Mature Plant Height	Medium low
Leaf Spot Resistance	Very good – 6.3
Summer Patch Resistance	Very good
Brown Patch Resistance	Excellent – 6.6
Dollar Spot Resistance	Very good
Red Thread Resistance	Good – 6.2