

Seed rates

Some general guidance on seed rates suitable for our varieties is listed below in seeds/m².

Variety	Earliest drilling date	Sept Wk1	Sept Wk2	Sept Wk3	Sept Wk4	Oct Wk1	Oct Wk2	Oct Wk3	Oct Wk4	Nov Wk1	Nov Wk2	Nov Wk3	Nov Wk4	Latest safe drilling
Winter Wheat														
GRAHAM	1st week Sept	275	275	275	300	300	325	325	350	350	375	375	400	End Jan
GLEAM	1st week Sept	275	275	275	325	325	350	350	350	375	375	375	400	Mid Feb
GALLANT	Mid Sept		275	275	300	300	325	325	350	350	375	375	400	End Jan
SY INSITOR	Mid Sept			275	325	325	350	350	375	375	375	400	400	End Jan
SHABRAS	Mid Sept			275	325	325	350	350	375	375	375	400	400	Mid Feb
Winter Malting Barley														
CRAFT	1st week Sept	275	275	300	300	300	325	325	350	350	375	375	400	End Dec
ELECTRUM	1st week Sept	275	275	300	300	300	325	325	350	350	375	375	400	End Dec
SY VESSEL	1st week Sept	275	275	300	300	300	325	325	350	350	375	375	400	End Dec
FLAGON	Mid Sept		275	300	300	300	300	300	325	325	350	375	400	End Dec
Hybrid Barley														
HYVIDO	Mid Sept			200	200	200	200	220	220	250	250			End Oct
HYVIDO - black-grass	Mid Sept			250	250	250	250	275	275	300	300			End Oct

Winter Wheat

Winter wheat has the widest drilling window with many varieties that can be drilled from the first week of September to the end of January.

Winter Malting Barley

Winter malting barley is one of the earlier cereal crops to be drilled. Although it performs better in an earlier drill slot it can be drilled through until the end of December.

Hybrid Barley

The ideal drilling time for winter hybrid barley is mid-September to mid-October. Crops can sometimes be drilled until the end of October, and just beyond, if conditions are suitable. The decision to drill should be based on local conditions especially seedbed quality, soil type and weather. Higher seed rates may be appropriate if emergence and establishment are expected to be severely compromised on heavy soils and in stony, cloddy or trashy areas of the field.

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