



Length of trial: 4 years

Seeding rate: 6 lbs./1000 sq. ft.

Amount of seed needed of each entry: 14 lbs.

Deadline for receipt of seed by NTEP at Beltsville, MD: **August 20th.**

Entry fees:

- 1. Named, commercially produced and/or marketed entry: \$2,000 when seed is submitted, \$2,000 in each year after, \$8,000 total.**
- 2. Entry that has been previously entered in an NTEP trial: \$1,500 when seed is submitted, \$1,500 in each year after, \$6,000 total.**
- 3. Experimental entry that has not been named, commercially produced and/or marketed: \$1,100 when seed is submitted, \$1,100 in each year after, \$4,400 total\*.**

**\* If the experimental entry is named, commercially produced or marketed during the testing period, NTEP will be notified within 30 days by the variety sponsor. At that time, the entry fee will be \$8,000 total for the trial. NTEP will immediately invoice the sponsor or licensee for any past entry fees. Current and future NTEP entry fees will be invoiced at \$2,000 per year. This will expire the date of the last trial data publication.**

### **Standard trials (15)**

Freehold, NJ	College Park, MD	Raleigh, NC	Columbia, MO
Stillwater, OK	Lexington, KY	Fayetteville, AR	Urbana, IL
Ames, IA	W. Lafayette, IN	Griffin, GA	Starkville, MS
Lincoln, NE	Storrs, CT	Riverside, CA	

### **Ancillary trials (11)**

*Traffic tolerance* – plots are split with traffic and no traffic strips. Therefore, traffic trials also collect standard trial data on the non-traffic strips of each plot

New Brunswick, NJ	State College, PA	Blacksburg, VA	Knoxville, TN
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*Brown Patch* – encourage via management and/or inoculation

Manhattan, KS	Lexington, KY
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*Drought tolerance*

Ithaca, NY (acute - rainout shelter) Logan, UT (chronic - deficit irrigation)

*Lateral Spread*

Virginia Beach, VA Logan, UT

*Shade tolerance*

Carbondale, IL

**Maintenance Levels**

It was agreed that each cooperator should utilize the management regime that is most appropriate to their area. However, the committee requests that a more detailed listing of products applied, dates, rates, weather conditions each year, etc. be supplied by each cooperator.

**Standard Entries**

**Ky-31, top performer from the 2001 trial, top performer from the current trial, top performer for brown patch in the current trial, investigate current trials for excellent performance in drought and traffic and choose a top performer for each (NTEP will analyze the data from the current trial)**

**Data Collection Needs**

The group agreed on the following:

- Turf quality for each growing month
- Spring greenup once per year starting in second full year of test
- Fall/winter color retention once per year
- Genetic color ratings once per year
- Establishment rate (% ground cover 2-4 weeks after seeding)
- Leaf texture ratings once in late spring/early summer of each full year