

Length of trial: 5 years

Seeding rate: 4.4 lbs./1000 sq. ft.

Amount of seed needed of each entry: 8 lbs.

Deadline for receipt of seed by NTEP at Beltsville, MD: August 18th.

Entry fees:

- 1. Named, commercially produced and/or marketed entry: \$2,000 when seed is submitted, \$2,000 in each year after, \$10,000 total.
- 2. Entry that has been previously entered in an NTEP trial: \$1,500 when seed is submitted, \$1,500 in each year after, \$7,500 total.
- 3. Experimental entry that has not been named, commercially produced and/or marketed: \$1,000 when seed is submitted, \$1,000 in each year after, \$5,000 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 \$10,000 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 (10)

Freehold, NJ Quebec City, Canada College Park, MD Raleigh, NC Columbia, MO Fargo, ND Urbana, IL E. Lansing, MI St. Paul, MN Pullman, WA

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

Fairway height traffic:

St. Paul, MN Storrs, CT East Lansing, MI Monterey/SF Bay (golf course)

Lawn/rough height traffic:

Amherst, MA New Brunswick, NJ Corvallis, OR

Fairway Mowing height – no traffic, test summer survival under low mowing stress

W. Lafayette, IN

Shade tolerance

Carbondale, IL Freehold, NJ

No mow/once per season mowing

Riverside, CA

Maintenance Levels (for standard trials)

1.5-2.5" mowing height 0-1 lbs. N/1000 sq. ft./yr irrigation (after established) - either to prevent severe stress or no irrigation

Standard Entries

Boreal, Cascade (if still in production), Quatro (sheep), Shoreline or Seabreeze (Slender Creeping) and then the top rated entry in the 2008 trial of creeping red, chewings and hard fescue.

Data Collection Needs

Turfgrass quality for each month - required
Genetic color once per year - required
Spring greenup once per year - required
Leaf texture - not required
Establishment rating (4-6 weeks after seeding)
Percent living ground cover once per year - required, when there are the most cultivar differences