



# TWIN CITY SEED COMPANY

## Low Grow Fescue Mixture

Low Grow Fescue Mix is a combination of improved fine fescues with 10% Annual Ryegrass that results in an attractive turf stand if mown or a functional ground cover when unmown. The long-term stand will reach a height of 10 – 12 inches when left unmown. It is also a great companion seed product for the establishment of wildflowers as it provides an excellent, non-competitive cover while the wildflowers are getting established. It will perform in both full sun to fairly heavy shade and does not require high levels of management. It has good drought resistance and adapts to most soil conditions, from very sandy to somewhat heavy clay soils. The final turf stand will be very fine textured. This mixture is ideal for areas that are difficult to maintain such as berms and steep slopes that are difficult to mow.

### Recommended Use

Low Grow Fescue Mix is best suited for areas with limited management. It is best used where budgets dictate that input levels are low and, in fact, low levels of input are preferred. It is ideal for use where mowing is difficult or impossible. It can be mown, however, and will provide a dense turf stand at relatively low heights of cut. It will perform in full sun to fairly heavy shade.

### Suggested Maintenance

Best results are achieved under low management conditions. Limited fertilizer and irrigation are preferred. It can be mown between 2 and 4 inches but does not require mowing in order to be attractive. If left unmown it is best to either burn or mow the area and remove the clippings once per season to rejuvenate the turf stand. Low Grow Fescue Mix should not be used where higher levels of fertilizer and water exist in the management program.

### Grasses in Low Grow Fescue Mix

25% Intrigue Chewings Fescue\*

25% Boreal Creeping Red Fescue\*

20% Covar Sheep Fescue\*

20% Firefly Hard Fescue\*

10% Gulf Annual Ryegrass\*

\* Or equivalent depending on availability.

### Suggested Seeding Rates (Lower rates take longer fill in; higher rates for quick fill in)

New Seeding – Broadcast – 5.8 – 8.6 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft.; 250 - 375 lbs. per acre

Mechanical – 4.6 – 6.9 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft.; 200 - 300 lbs. per acre

Overseeding – Broadcast < 50% Existing desirable plants – same as new seeding

>50% Existing desirable plants – 4.2 – 6.4 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft.;

180 - 280 lbs. per acre.

Mechanical < 50% Existing desirable plants – same as new seeding

>50% Existing desirable plants – 3.4–5.2 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft.

150 - 225 lbs. per acre.

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