



DOUBLE PLAY

TWO CROPS IN ONE

An annual mixture that that will give both quick fall growth and a spring harvest. Oats and annual ryegrass will give quick fall growth. The oats generally winter kill if temperatures drop into the teens. Both the Tri-Cal® 815 triticale and the annual ryegrass will overwinter (with proper fall management) and produce a cutting of high quality forage in the spring. This mix is a balance for both fall and spring production. Fall production will most likely be less than a straight stand of oats or our Oats Plus mix. Spring production will likely be a little less than straight triticale, straight ryegrass or our Triticale Plus mixture. However, for maximum combined production in fall and spring, Double Play offers excellent potential.

Soil Adaptation

Ryegrass component excels in fertile soils. Excellent for nutrient management but apply manure prior to seeding .

Wet – Poor because harvest will be very difficult.

Drought – Fair. Productive during fall and spring, which tends to reduce drought risk.

pH Range –6.0 and higher.

Cutting Management

Fall growth: Prior to the end of university recommended wheat planting dates, a fall cutting must be made. Leave at least 4” of stubble.

Spring growth: Oats will normally winter kill, leaving TriCal® 815 and Marshall ryegrass for one cutting. Harvest when flag leaf is emerging (about 7 to 10 days prior to alfalfa bud stage). This is when the head is about 2 to 3” from emerging.

Crop Rotation:

The ryegrass component of this mixture is excellent for building soil organic matter and utilizing nutrients including N and P. However, ryegrasses must be killed for the next crop. A 2x rate of glyphosate “Roundup” should be applied to actively growing regrowth (at least 6 to 10”). Gramoxone, chisel plowing and discing are not effective. Moldboard plowing with proper inversion can also be used, as well as some other approved herbicides. Follow with a summer annual crop.

Traffic Tolerance: Good. If soil is wet during fall harvest, damage can cause stand problems



At A Glance

Product Formula (by weight)

45%	Tri-Cal® 815 Triticale
33%	Oats
22%	Annual Ryegrass

Uses

Dry Hay: Poor

Haylage/Balage: Excellent

Management Intensive Grazing: Good

Continuous Grazing: Fair during fall and spring.

Establishment

Planting Dates: Seed 4 to 6 weeks prior to the beginning of wheat seeding.

Seeding Rate: 150-200 lbs. Large seed box required.

Depth: ½” to ¾” is ideal. Do not seed deeper than 1” or ryegrass will not emerge.

Speed: Establishes quickly

Cool Season Annual

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