

# Forage & Pasture Planting Calendar

- ◇ The planting calendar is taken from information found in the **Ohio Agronomy Guide**. Refer to this guide for detailed information about each of the forages and growing recommendations.
  - ◇ The seeding rates are based on a pure stand. For a mixed stand, refer to seeding rates found in the **Ohio Agronomy Guide**
  - ◇ Planting dates for Ohio. In southern Ohio, the spring dates should be in the early range, and in the fall, they can be in the later range.
- 1 Best to plant winter wheat after Hessian Fly safe date, consult **Ohio Agronomy Guide** for dates by region
  - 2 February to early March is the recommended frost seeding period for clovers: some cool season grasses may also be frost seeded, but this is less common
  - 3 Planting Perennial ryegrass in Southern Ohio is not recommended.

February	All Month lbs./acre	
	Alsike Clover	9
	Birdsfoot Trefoil	9
	Ladino Clover	5
	Red Clover	8 - 12
After February 15 lbs./acre		
	Annual Lespedeza	10
* Frost Seed Clovers *		

March	All Month lbs./acre		After March 15 lbs./acre	
	Smooth Bromegrass	16	Alfalfa	15
	Kentucky Bluegrass	10	Birdsfoot Trefoil	9
	Meadow Fescue	16	Chicory	6
	Tall Fescue	15	Ryegrass *	24
	Festulolium	25	Spring Oats	75 - 110
	Orchardgrass	10	Spring Triticale	90 - 110
	Reed Canarygrass	10		
	Timothy	8		
	Alsike Clover	9		
	Ladino Clover	5		
	Red Clover	8 - 12		
	Annual Lespedeza	15		

April	Before April 20 lbs./acre		After April 15 lbs./acre	
	Smooth Bromegrass	16	Switchgrass	9
	Kentucky Bluegrass	10	Eastern Gamagrass	9
	Chicory	6	Big Bluestem	12
	Perennial Ryegrass	24	Indiangrass	12
	Meadow Fescue	16	Rape	3.5 - 4
	Tall Fescue	15	Kale	3.5 - 4
	Festulolium	25	Swede	1.5 - 2
	Orchardgrass	10	Turnip	1.5 - 2
	Reed Canarygrass	10	All Month	
	Timothy	8	Alfalfa	15
	Ladino Clover	5	Birdsfoot Trefoil	9
	Red Clover	11	Alsike Clover	9
	Annual Lespedeza	12		
	Spring Oats	75 - 100		
	Spring Triticale	90 - 110		

May	Before May 15 lbs./acre	
	Big Bluestem	12
	Eastern Gamagrass	9
	Indiangrass	12
	Switchgrass	9
All Month		
	Forage Sorghum	12
	Sudangrass	20 - 25
	Sorghum/Sudan	20 - 25
	Pearl Millet	15 - 20
	Rape	4
	Kale	4
	Swede	2
	Turnip	2
After May 15		
	Teff	5

June	Before June 7 lbs./acre	
	Rape	3.5 - 4
	Kale	3.5 - 4
	Swede	1.5 - 2
	Turnip	1.5 - 2
All Month		
	Forage Sorghum	8 - 12
	Sudangrass	20 - 25
	Sorghum/Sudan	20 - 25
	Pearl Millet	15 - 20
	Teff	5

July	Before July 20 lbs./acre	
	Forage Sorghum	8 - 12
	Sorghum/Sudan	20 - 25
	Sudangrass	20 - 25
	Pearl Millet	15 - 20
	Teff	5
All Month		
	Crimson Clover	20 - 25
After July 10		
	Rape	3.5 - 4
	Turnip	1.5 - 2

August	After Aug. 15 lbs./acre	
	Kentucky Bluegrass	10
	All Month	
	Smooth Bromegrass	16
	Chicory	6
	Perennial Ryegrass	24
	Meadow Fescue	16
	Tall Fescue	15
	Festulolium	25
	Orchardgrass	10
	Reed Canarygrass	10
	Timothy	8
	Alfalfa	15
	Crimson Clover	20 - 25
	Ladino Clover	5
	Red Clover	11
	Oats	80 - 110

September	Forage & Pasture Planting	
	Before September 20 lbs./acre	
	Kentucky Bluegrass	10
	Annual Ryegrass	20 - 25
	Perennial Ryegrass *	20 - 25
	Oats	80 - 110
All Month		
	Timothy	8
	Crimson Clover	20 - 25
	Barley	80 - 110
	Cereal Rye	110 - 140
	Spring Triticale	90 - 110

October	Before October 20 lbs./acre	
	Timothy	8
	Cereal Rye	110
	Crimson Clover	20-25
	Winter Triticale	110 - 120
	Winter Wheat	100 - 120

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November	Forage & Pasture Planting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take soil samples of your fields and start planning for next year</li> <li>• Apply lime according to test results</li> <li>• Treat winter annual weeds</li> </ul>	



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