

# Nobility

**Nobility** is a newer perennial ryegrass selected for excellent turf quality, disease resistance, and slow-growth habit. It is recommended for use in turf areas where high quality and fine texture is desired. It is great for athletic fields, golf courses, and lawns.

Nobility has an attractive dark green color, very fine texture and narrow blade width. Winter color retention is excellent under frost, and seedling vigor is among the best. Nobility has excellent mow-ability due to its soft blade tissue. It shows good resistance to wilt damage and has excellent drought recovery. Nobility has an endophyte level above 90%.

#### Notable Characteristics:

- Dark Green Color
- Excellent Winter Vigor
- Drought/Disease Resistant
- Fine, Narrow-Bladed Leaves
- Ideal for Golf Courses & Lawns

#### Establishment & Management:

Nobility germinates and establishes quickly. A seeding rate of 5-7 lbs per 1000 sq. ft. is recommended for perennial northern use. For overseeding golf greens in the south, a rate of 30-40 lbs per 1000 sq ft is recommended. For tees, fairways, and other turf areas, the recommended rate is 5-15 lbs per 1000 sq. ft.

For most uses, a mowing height of 1/2-2 1/2 inches is best. For fine turf, Nobility should be fertilized with a complete fertilizer that supplies 4-6 lbs of actual Nitrogen per 1000 sq ft. For infrequently mowed areas such as orchards and vineyards, Nobility should be mixed with fine fescue.

#### Turf Performance Data - 1998 Scores

| COLOR                 | RATING           |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Genetic Color         | Fair             |
| Winter Color          | Very Good        |
| QUALITY               |                  |
| Overall Turf Quality  | Fair             |
| Mowing Quality        | Very Good        |
| TRAFFIC               |                  |
| Wear Tolerance        | Very Good        |
| TEXTURE/DENSITY       |                  |
| Leaf Texture          | Fair             |
| Spring Density        | Very Good        |
| Summer Density        | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Fall Density          | Very Good        |
| Winter Density        | <b>Excellent</b> |
| ESTABLISH/GREEN-UP    |                  |
| Spring Green-up       | Very Good        |
| Seedling Vigor        | Very Good        |
| Winter Kill           | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Drought Tol.- wilting | Very Good        |
| Thatch Measurements   | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Fall Color            | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Summer Color          | Good             |
| GROUND COVER          |                  |
| Spring                | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Summer                | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Fall                  | <b>Excellent</b> |
| DISEASE RESISTANCE    |                  |
| Leaf Rust             | Very Good        |
| Leaf Spot             | Very Good        |
| Brown Patch           | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Dollar Spot           | Very Good        |
| Typhula Blight        | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Pink Snow Mold        | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Fusarium Patch        | <b>Excellent</b> |
| Pythium Blight        | Fair             |
| Red Thread            | Very Good        |
| % Red Thread          | <b>Excellent</b> |

*The NTEP uses a rating system and statistical analysis to score grasses. For ease of use we have categorized this data into Excellent, Very Good, Good, and Fair ratings. For complete details visit: [www.ntep.org](http://www.ntep.org).*