



**York** brome is recommended for hay, grazing, silage, or green chop (direct feeding). When mixed with alfalfa or clovers, York provides a long lasting grass companion that will enhance the quality of the animal's diet. When seeded alone or with other grasses, York can provide excellent season long forage.

**Notable Characteristics:**

- High yielding
- Late maturing
- Winter hardy
- Very palatable
- Early spring green up
- Improved re-growth
- Improved drought tolerance

**Management:**

York smooth brome grass is a deep-rooted, sod-forming grass which grows best on fertile, well drained soil with a pH above 6.0. Smooth brome grass is very responsive to N fertilization and requires a high level of fertility for maximum production. Spring harvest management is vital for yield and persistence. To insure against harming the growing point, be careful about how short and also how often you cut or graze smooth brome grass early in the spring. Generally speaking, animals should be moved off of smooth brome grass before the grass is grazed below four inches.

**Seeding Rates:**

York should be planted at a rate of 15-20 lbs/acre when seeded alone or 3-8 lbs/acre in mixes or with alfalfa. York should be planted approximately 1/4" to 1/2" deep.

<b>Ithaca, New York 2002 Data</b>										
<b>Variety</b>	<b>5/30/02</b>	<b>7/28/02</b>	<b>10/9/02</b>	<b>Total Season</b>	<b>% Grass 10/9/02</b>	<b>2001 Total</b>	<b>2000 Total</b>	<b>3-year Total</b>	<b>Heading Date</b>	<b># of Heads</b>
-----tons/acre dry matter-----										
Badger	2.42	1.15	0.23	3.83	69.00	4.31	5.43	13.57	5/24	1
<b>York</b>	<b>2.66</b>	<b>1.33</b>	<b>0.36</b>	<b>4.34</b>	<b>80.00</b>	<b>4.72</b>	<b>5.49</b>	<b>14.54</b>	<b>5/24</b>	<b>1</b>
Alpha	2.71	1.31	0.31	4.33	73.00	4.64	5.48	14.46	5/24	5
Peak	2.70	1.31	0.40	4.40	84.00	4.52	5.54	14.46	5/24	17
Radisson	2.59	1.37	0.33	4.27	68.00	4.58	4.98	13.83	5/24	24
Saratoga	2.84	1.27	0.35	4.47	84.00	4.67	5.44	14.57	5/26	10

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