


Long rotation ryegrass

Introduction

Long rotation ryegrasses generally fall between perennial and hybrid ryegrass in growth and persistence. But long rotation varieties vary widely in type, with some similar to hybrid ryegrass and others to perennial ryegrass.

In general, long rotation ryegrasses are best suited to summer wet areas where they can show good persistence.

<p>Most persistent</p>  <p>Least persistent</p>	Perennial ryegrass
	Long rotation ryegrass
	Hybrid ryegrass
	Italian ryegrass
	Annual ryegrass

Heading dates of long rotation ryegrasses*

Variety	Days
<i>Helix</i>	+6
<i>Ohau (T)</i>	+8
<i>Marsden</i>	+12
<i>Supreme^{Plus}</i>	+15
<i>Banquet II (T)</i>	+18
<i>Revolution</i>	+19
<i>Revolution Ultra</i>	+21
<i>Matrix</i>	+23
<i>Sterling (T)</i>	+25

* Day 0 is typically around 22 October, but this can vary from year to year. See page 91 for more.