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### **THE Rx FOR DIFFICULT SITUATIONS**

- **TOLERATES SHADE**
- **RESISTS DISEASE**
- **CROWDS OUT WEEDS**
- **EXCELLENT IN MIXTURES**
- **LOWER FERTILITY**
- **EARLIER GREENUP**

Navigator II strong creeping fescue is often the prescription for success in difficult environments that challenge other varieties. Use it in shaded and poorly irrigated areas where fertility and pesticide inputs are either lacking or discouraged.

Navigator II is darker green with improved disease resistance, particularly to dollar spot and red thread. It aggressively spreads to crowd out weeds, and better tolerates traffic and wear. Its leaf texture and color is very compatible with ryegrass and bluegrass in mixtures to improve shade tolerance under minimal fertility.

Navigator II easily establishes, a bonus for slopes and other areas threatened by erosion. With fewer mowings necessary, it also provides both persistent cover and visual appeal to golf course roughs, park like areas, and residential turf.

**BROAD ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE**



**Navigator II** quickly establishes, forming an attractive turf that retains its density under disease presence and weed invasion regardless of the fertility and maintenance levels employed. Its turf performance under summer's heat, humidity, and drought stress is excellent.

NTEP 11-3, 9 = HIGHEST RESPECTIVE RANK

● Denotes MVS Variety Ranking

▬ Denotes Top LSD Group

■ Denotes Range of Values Measured

**AREAS OF USE**

- ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS
- DRY, SHADED AREAS
- BLUEGRASS/RYEGRASS MIXTURES
- SLOPES, PARKS, RECLAMATION
- RESIDENTIAL TURF

**DISEASE RESISTANCE**

Navigator II	6.6
Epic	6.2
Shademaster III	6.1
Aberdeen	5.6
Boreal	5.4
LSD	0.9

A reason for **Navigator II's** attractive appearance is its improved resistance to disease. In national trials, Navigator II ranks in the top grouping for resistance to dollar spot, red thread, and other common diseases.

NTEP 11-3, 9 = No red thread.

**SPRING GREENUP**

Navigator II	5.9
Boreal	5.5
Epic	4.9
Shademaster III	4.9
LSD	0.6

**Navigator II** greens up earlier in spring, bringing turf areas back into playability and improving visual appearance.

NTEP 11-3, 9 = Earliest greenup. Selected varieties including highest and lowest.

**SEEDING AND OVERSEEDING** For typical situations seed Navigator II at the rate of 4-5 lbs per 1000 sq. ft. Ski slopes, reclamation, and open turf areas should be seeded at the rate of 150-200 lbs per acre depending on the stand density desired. In mixtures with other cool season species, up to 1/3 Navigator II may be employed to improve shade tolerance or low fertility performance.

**MAINTENANCE** Navigator II germinates after the first week and vigorously establishes. It can generally be cut by the third week and maintained at a height of 1" to 3". On slopes and inaccessible areas further maintenance is generally not necessary and mowings can be reduced to one or two per growing season. A starter type fertilizer, used at time of seeding and worked into the seed bed, will hasten and improve establishment and fill in.

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