## Deschutes Perennial Ryegrass

Deschutes (tested as APR 2280) is a versatile fast starting new perennial ryegrass from Vista Seed partners that produces a very attractive perennial turf surface in the north and a top quality overseeded turf surface in the south. It is TWCA (Turfgrass Water Conservation Alliance) qualified which means it has great drought tolerance and can produce top quality turf using 40\% less water than typical perennial ryegrasses.

## Usage:

Deschutes is best used for fairways, tees and roughs or for home or industrial lawns. It establishes quickly and forms an attractive turf and has scored well in turf color and quality in Oregon and New Jersey turf trials. It blends well with other perennial ryegrasses as well as fine fescues and Poa trivialis. Deschutes can be used straight but is best when blended with other perennial ryegrass varieties for best results. It can also be mixed with Kentucky bluegrass and fine fescue to provide quicker establishment and genetic diversity.

## Seeding and Establishment:

Deschutes is similar to other elite perennial ryegrasses in germination and speed of establishment. Its seed size (About 245,000 seeds per pound) is similar to other perennials, under ideal conditions it can germinate in $4 / 5$ days. As an an "elite" perennial ryegrass, Deschutes can be depended on to provide a very good overseeded turf in the south and a top quality long lasting turf in the north.

## Management:

Once established Deschutes can be managed with 40\% less water than typical varieties. Apply NPK as needed based on soil testing and usage. Mowing heights and frequency are similar to other varieties of perennial ryegrass. When overseeded in the south it can be mowed down to $1 / 4$ inch.

## Features

- TWCA qualified
- Drought tolerant
- Medium dark green coloration
- Medium fine leaf texture
- Heat resistant
- Very good overall disease resistance


## Uses

- Golf Course Fairways
- Golf Course Tees
- Golf Course Roughs
- Landscaping


## Seeding Rates

- Northern Areas $6-8 \mathrm{lbs} / 1,000 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$
- Southern Areas 10-20 lbs/1,000 sq ft

