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Sowing & Growing Rabbit Run Mixture



Grass is a vital element in the diet of a rabbit. In this specialist mixture, we blend a selection of robust grasses to provide a resilient grazing surface. We also include dwarf ryegrass for fast establishment and recovery after grazing. Small-leaved white clover is included to add variety and a good protein source, as well as providing a thick base to the mixture.

When to sow: These mixtures should be sown from March to September

Sowing Rates: Sow at 5 g/m2

Mixtures including ryegrass will germinate and establish quickly, with a better ability to 'green up' an area quickly.

Preparation: A fine but firm seedbed should be created, care should be taken to remove any weeds from the area. Once sown the area should be lightly raked over to cover the seed and well consolidated with a roller or similar to encourage maximum seed to soil contact and conserve moisture. Seedbeds should not be left unconsolidated and if you leave a footprint on a newly sown area it should be rolled again!

Management: If practical, try to water newly sown areas during dry conditions to maximise germination. Once the seedlings have enough anchorage not to be plucked from the ground by a simple 'pluck' test, aim to mow the area on a high setting to remove the top 1/3 of growth and encourage new plants to tiller out.

Where possible, allow areas to be rested once grazed to allow plants to recover.

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