

Grower's Checklist

- Gather winter wheat production and marketing information (season long).
- Plan which spring crop and variety will precede your winter wheat (Nov. – Mar.).
- Plan spring seeding dates to ensure stubble availability between August 20 – mid-Sept.** (Nov. – Mar.).
- Research winter wheat varieties agronomically suited to your area (Nov. – July).
- Ensure the variety meets your marketing objectives (Nov. – July).
- Prepare seeding equipment for fall seeding (June – July).
- Line up seed and seed treatment early and have on hand, if possible (June – July).
- Determine fertility requirements. Book product in advance, and have available for seeding time or in crop application (July – Aug.).
- Apply pre- or post- harvest herbicide for a clean start to your crop (Aug. – early Sept.).
- Develop plan to get seed and fertilizer to the field as trucks may be hard to access at harvest (Aug. – Sept.).
- Seed early** – in the advised windows during harvest delays, if possible (Aug.20 – mid-Sept.).**
- Seed heavy** – seeding rates vary by location but the rule of thumb is to seed at 1.75 to 2.5 bushels per acre (Aug. – mid-Sept.).
- Seed shallow** – (1/2 inch to 1 inch). DO NOT wait for rain. (Aug. – mid-Sept.).
- Seed into standing stubble** – tall, dense stubble provides optimal snow trapping capability (canola, barley, oats, flax) (Aug.- mid-Sept.).
- Make final assessment on winter survival (May 15 – 30).

Planning for Success

Planning for profit is important with all crops. Winter wheat, due to its unique timeframe for seeding and harvesting, requires special attention to maximize opportunity and produce profitable results. Experienced winter wheat growers **plan ahead** to consistently achieve successful results from their crop.

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The Winter Cereals: Sustainability in Action Calendar provides you with a monthly outline of activities to help you plan your next winter wheat crop.

	Seeding		Three Leaf		Dormancy			Tillering	Booting	Heading	Ripening
	August	September	October	Nov. Dec. Jan.	February	March	April	May	June	July	
Production Practices	Gather winter wheat production and marketing information										
	Select preceding spring crop and variety										
	Plan spring seeding dates to ensure stubble availability between Aug.20 – mid-Sept.**							Plant spring crops for optimum stubble availability			
	Spring crop harvest										
	Research winter wheat varieties agronomically suited to your area										
	Ensure the variety meets your marketing objectives										
				Assess establishment				Assess winter survival			
										Prepare seeding equipment	
										Source winter wheat seed	
	Source fertilizer	Source fertilizer									
Nitrogen application (at seeding)*		Nitrogen application (fall broadcast)*						Nitrogen application (spring broadcast)*			
Plant winter wheat Aug.20 – mid-Sept.**											
Disease Management	Treat winter wheat seed								Disease management		
	Pre- and Post-Harvest weed control	Manage winter annual weeds						Weed management			
Stored Grain Management & Marketing	Monitor stored grain				Monitor stored grain			Monitor stored grain			
								Prepare marketing objectives			

*Select the fertilizer application or combination of applications best suited to your equipment situation and crop conditions.
 **Consult local agrologist for recommended seeding dates in your area.