

Why grow TRICAL® varieties rather than any other varieties of forage triticale?

- **TRICAL® varieties have a proven record of outstanding performance.**
These TRICAL® varieties have a proven record of successful commercial use that spans nearly ten years and a tremendous range of production conditions and uses. No other triticale varieties have that proven record of success.
- **The TRICAL® varieties are the product of thorough testing.**
Before their commercial release, the TRICAL® varieties were thoroughly tested in research trials that established their superior yield and nutritional quality. No other varieties of triticale are backed by the breadth and depth of the testing that is done on TRICAL® varieties. From measuring forage yield for silage and growth throughout a grazing season, to analyzing digestibility, energy value, digestible fiber, and protein, and tracking nutrient uptake for environmental objectives, the TRICAL® program is backed by rigorous research.
- **No other varieties of triticale have matched the performance of TRICAL® varieties.**
Nearly every year someone brings into the area an unproven variety of triticale in an attempt to cash in on the proven success of the TRICAL® varieties. None of this ongoing succession of varieties has come close to matching the proven performance and reliability of the TRICAL® varieties.
- **New, unproven varieties may fail in surprising ways.**
Will the new variety reliably come through the winter? The TRICAL® varieties have come through very well, even in the cold years in which much of the local wheat crop has been damaged. You may be surprised by what can happen with a variety that doesn't have a proven record of success in an area. The variety Bobcat, for example, was developed for fall planting in Canada, so one might expect it to have superior cold tolerance. Fact is that research by Kansas State University revealed that Bobcat suffered significant cold damage while the TRICAL® 102 and other TRICAL® varieties did not.

Will the new variety survive heavy grazing over a range of growing conditions and management practices? Thorough testing by the TRICAL® program has shown that some varieties that are acceptable for silage or hay do very poorly when grazed.

- **If you plant a TRICAL® variety, you know you have a winner.**
If you plant a TRICAL® variety, you know you have planted a proven, top-performing variety. If you plant some other variety, you either will be planting a variety that is already known to be inferior, or will be rolling the dice on a new, unknown variety and hoping that it will work under your conditions.
- **Your TRICAL® supplier can keep you at the “cutting edge” of triticale genetics.**
Others may offer a triticale; your TRICAL® supplier provides an ongoing program of the best genetics and expertise as part of the leading forage triticale program in the world.
- **The bottom line is that no other varieties have ever measured up to the TRICAL® varieties.**
None of the non-TRICAL® triticale varieties past or present that have been brought into the area have measured up to the performance and reliability of the TRICAL® varieties.