



ELITE SPORT

Football & Rugby

- ELITE SPORT is a blend of four hard-wearing perennial ryegrasses for the renovation and construction of winter sports pitches.

The UK's no.1 rated mixture with a mixture score of 7.83*

- The only mixture on the market containing both Barzico #1 & Barbasten #4 ranked cultivars and new for 2023 the #6* ranked variety, Barpersie.
- Four Barenbrug-bred varieties.



MIXTURE: 100% Perennial ryegrass

Usage

Renovation and/or construction of elite winter sports pitches. Designed for elite winter sport stadiums and pitches, it focuses on the key characteristics of wear tolerance, recovery, camera-friendly grass colour and disease resistance. ELITE SPORT is changing the game for the renovation and construction of stadium and other high-quality pitches.

Top performing varieties

Barenbrug's ELITE SPORT product has been re-formulated for 2023 to include brand new cultivars to the market.

Barzico holds the coveted #1* position, trialled under winter sports wear simulation at 25mm height of cut. The cultivar originates from Barenbrug's Dutch breeding station and is a very strong all-round ryegrass suitable for many applications. Visually, it is mid-fine, extremely dense with a medium green colour.

Barbasten sits just below *Barzico*, as #4*. It is a true winter sports cultivar and a "late-heading" variety from the Dutch breeding station. Coarser in the leaf, paler green and exceptionally active in winter/spring recovery, *Barbasten* brings additional *Drechslera* leaf spot tolerance to the product.

New for 2023 is the #6 ranked variety, *Barpersie*, featuring exceptional density and will be balanced with the well-established variety *Barcristalla*, cementing ELITE SPORT as the market-leading grass seed mixture of its type, designed for elite winter sport stadiums and pitches.

Features & benefits

Every elite squad should have the perfect combination of characteristics. Our ELITE SPORT seed mix blends four of the toughest, most hardwearing perennial ryegrasses into a top performing team.

Sport

Discover our grass seed for football and rugby pitches. Schools, colleges and playing fields will also benefit from this specialist grass seed.

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Characteristics

Speed of Establishment



Wear Tolerance



Recovery after wear



Turf aesthetics



Speed of growth



Dark green colour



Shoot density



Cold temperature germination

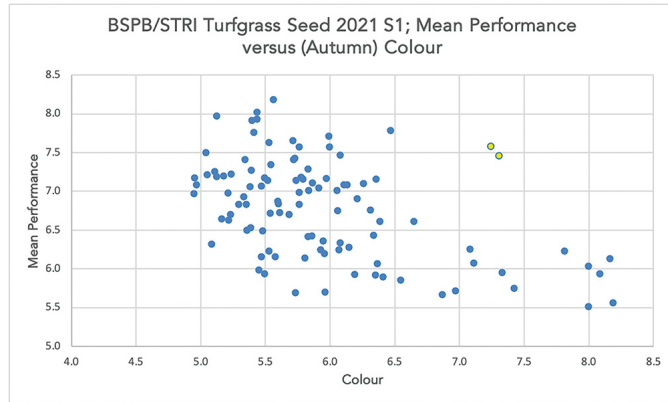


High wear tolerance and recovery

The mixture is formulated primarily on performance in the BSPB/STRI Turfgrass Seed 2023 booklet Table S1 for sports pitch wear simulation. All four cultivars are highly ranked, and ELITE SPORT has the UK's highest 'mixture score' of 7.83.

Camera-friendly colour

Barcristalla is a key variety in ELITE SPORT, with a much darker genetic colour than other top varieties, while *Barbasten* brings additional *Drechslera* leaf spot tolerance to the blend and *Barzico* combines top-rated visual merit and wear tolerance.



Graph showing performance versus colour of all perennial ryegrasses listed in the BSPB/STRI booklet. *Barcristalla* and *Barorlando* (yellow) show the best compromise between these two traits.

*BSPB/STRI Turfgrass Seed 2023 booklet

Specifications

Sowing rate	30-50g m ²
Oversowing rate	15-30g per m ²
Sowing depth	10-15mm < thatch
Mowing height	down to 18mm

Composition

35%	Barzico	Perennial ryegrass
25%	Barbasten	Perennial ryegrass
25%	Barcristalla	Perennial ryegrass
15%	Barpersie	Perennial ryegrass

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