

ALLIANCE FOR LOW INPUT SUSTAINABLE TURF



A-LIST Creeping Bentgrass Approval

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The Alliance for Low Input Sustainable Turf (A-LIST), a non-profit organization that evaluates and promotes turfgrass varieties that require less water, fertilizer, and pesticides, has announced the addition of creeping bentgrass to its list of approved turfgrass species.

Creeping bentgrass is widely used on golf courses for its fine texture, dense growth, and smooth putting surface. However, it also faces challenges such as disease pressure, heat stress, and high input demands. To address these issues, breeders have developed improved creeping bentgrass varieties that offer better disease resistance, heat tolerance, and reduced input requirements.

The A-LIST recognizes the need to include creeping bentgrass in its trials to help further its mission of low input and sustainability. The A-LIST conducts independent trials across the US to identify and certify the best performing varieties under reduced inputs. The A-LIST also educates the public and the industry about the benefits of low input turfgrass for water conservation, reduced chemical use, and lower maintenance costs.

The A-LIST has approved the following creeping bentgrass varieties that have demonstrated their ability to meet the A-LIST standards through rigorous trials:

Certified Varieties:

- 007XL
- Piper
- Diplomacy
- Spectrum
- 777
- Oakley
- Proclamation
- Match Play
- Macdonald
- Piranha
- Declaration
- Luminary