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Zenith[®] Zoysia Grass

Key Points

- Dark green colour
- Good shade, heat, cold and wear tolerance
- Excellent weed tolerance
- Low maintenance turfgrass



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Characteristics and areas of use

Zenith[®] zoysia grass is a three clone synthetic variety of zoysia grass and has a dark green colour and medium leaf texture. Zenith[®] is one of the more shade tolerant of the warm season grasses. It tolerates both heat and cold well, being a variety which displays less winter kill and grows into the transition zones in the US. Zenith[®] likes well drained soils and tolerates drought by going dormant and turning grey, but recovers again at the first exposure to moisture. It also tolerates wear well, but once worn through can take some time to recover due to its very slow growth habit.

Zenith[®] has excellent weed tolerance due to its very thick sward. Weeds tend not to invade and disease and insects don't seem to be a problem. It can also tolerate some saline water and has very low nitrogen requirements (about 100-150kg/ha per annum). Zenith[®] is commonly used in both commercial and residential landscapes, sports fields, golf courses, roadsides and median strips. Zenith[®] zoysia grass creates a dense slow growing sward which tolerates traffic.

Breeding history

Zenith[®] zoysia grass (*Zoysia Japonica*) was developed by Patten Seed Company.

Sowing rate and maintenance

Sow Zenith[®] at 5-10g/m² (50-100kg/ha) when sown alone. Seed should be broadcast on the surface and gently raked in, in very warm soil conditions, above 20°. It needs to be close to the soil surfaces as light is an assisting factor in germination. As it is so close to the surface, regular irrigation is required to maintain soil moisture around the seed for 2-3 weeks whilst germinating. Mowing heights are typically 12-35mm.