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What is quality assured sod?

The Sod Quality Assurance Program establishes high quality standards for the production and ongoing improvement of sod types suitable for installing in challenging environments. The program is a collaborative effort of the Minnesota Turf Association, the University of Minnesota, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), and the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association.

How is sod quality assured?

To be quality assured, sod must meet specific standards, which include using approved seed mixes, meeting field requirements, and maintaining required documentation. The program provides third-party assurance to end users to ensure that sod meets specifications and was produced according to rigorous production standards.

Who produces quality assured Sod?

Quality assured sod is produced by careful, conscientious sod producers who make use of

approved seed mixtures and follow required sod production practices to meet program standards.

Why use quality assured sod?

Salt-tolerant sod is suitable for use along streets, parking areas, and roadsides where saline soil conditions frequently occur. This sod type has been approved by MnDOT and is required where MnDOT projects specify salt- or shade-tolerant sod. Sod products developed through this program will continually evolve and improve as better suited turf seed varieties become available.

What should I look for?

A Sod Quality Assurance Certificate must accompany each sod delivery as proof of conformance to program standards.



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Buyer Name		Seller Name	
Buyer Address		Seller Address	
Buyer City, State, Zip		Seller City, State, Zip	
Sod type		Amount of shipment (sq. ft.)	
Field Number		Date of harvest	
Shipping method	<input type="checkbox"/> Flatbed <input type="checkbox"/> Large Roll <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Number of pallets / large rolls shipped	
Description of pallet/roll marking system used:			
<small>This sod has been produced in conformity with standards and procedures specified by the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association Standards - Sod Quality Assurance.</small>			
Date		Seller's Signature	
<small>One original Certificate - Sod Quality Assurance must accompany each shipment of sod.</small>			
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QUALITY ASSURED SOD PRODUCERS

NAME, ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	COUNTY	SOD TYPE
Central Turf Farms/Earl Haley Sr. or Earl Haley Jr. (Duke) 13655 Lake Dr NE, Forest Lake MN 55025	651-464-2130	Chisago	MNST-12
KLM Farms/Kevin Mann 8597 400th St, North Branch MN 55056	651-674-4321	Chisago	MNST-12
Helen M. Nagel, Inc. dba Nagel Sod/Helen Nagel 6119 66th St NW, Medford MN 55049	507-451-9605	Steele	MNST-2, MNST-12

All the above sod types are approved for use on MnDOT projects requiring Salt Tolerant Sod. This listing is current as of October 1, 2022. This listing will be periodically updated on the MCIA website, www.mncia.org.



SOD QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

Developed through a collaboration of:

MN Sod Producers Assn,
University of Minnesota,
Minnesota Department
of Transportation, and
Minnesota Crop
Improvement Association

For more information or for a list of producers contact:

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Insist on this certificate for assurance of Salt Tolerant Sod

- ▶ **Grown from premium quality seed**
 - Selected turf grass varieties
 - Quality assured seed mixes from approved vendors
- ▶ **Comprehensive sod production standards**
 - Professionally grown by qualified producers
 - Stringent sod quality requirements
- ▶ **Rigorous third party quality assurance process**
 - Seed to harvest oversight
 - On-site inspections
- ▶ **Certificate of Assurance with each delivery**
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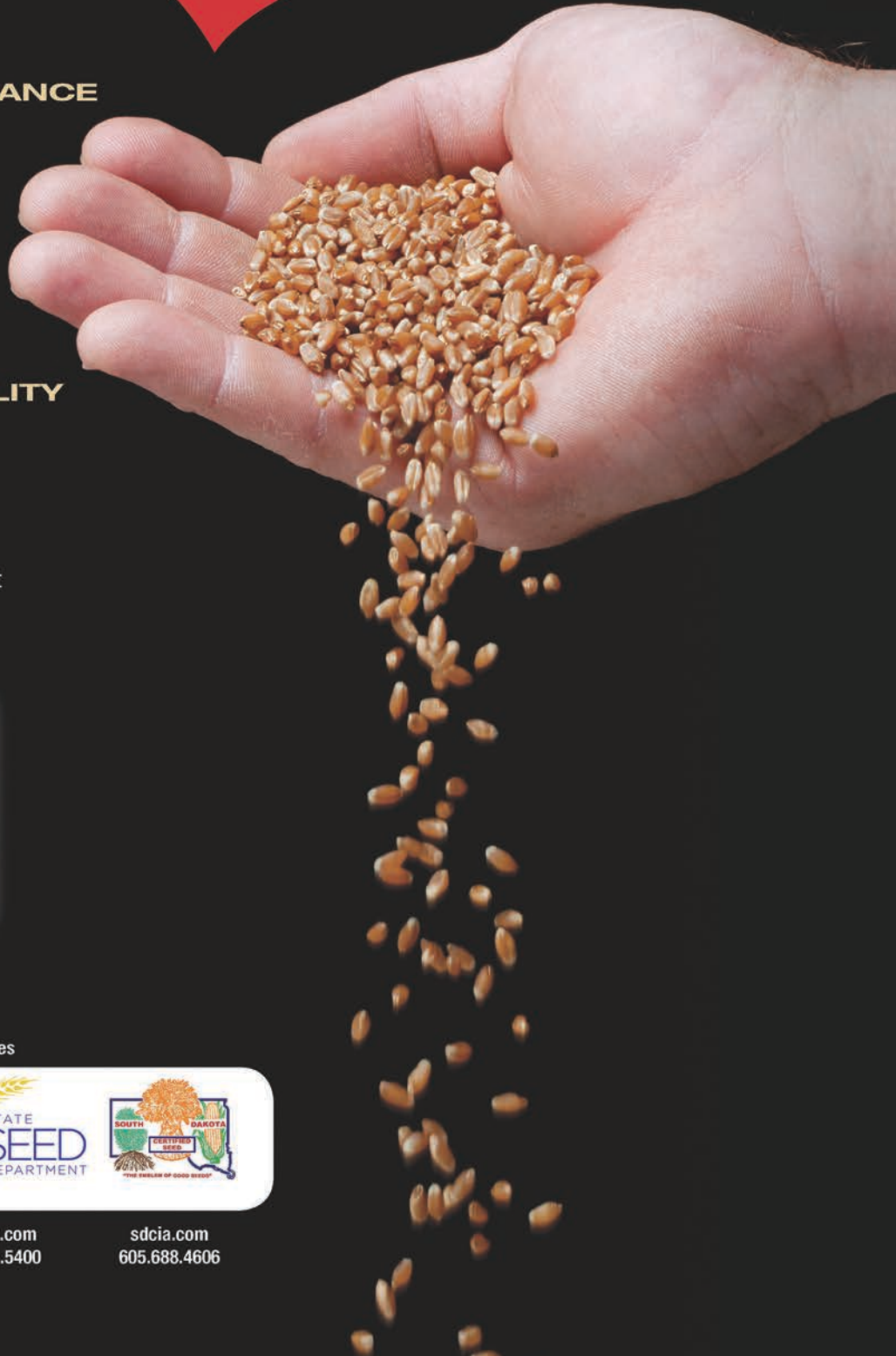
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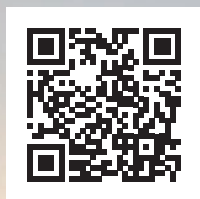
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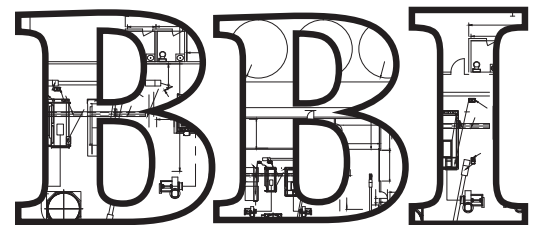
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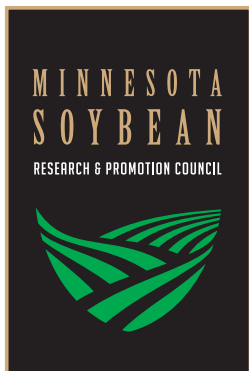


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