



Red Wheat Bulletin

01/17

Seed Deliveries

The final few lots of seed are now being delivered. The seed rate to be used can be found on the confirmation of sale.

Sowing Date

You can sow Red Wheat at any time soil conditions are good – but do not "force" it! Soil conditions are far more important than calendar date.

Pre-Emergence Grass Weed Control

There are 2 main options:

Product	Rate	Notes
Anthem	3.3 l/ha	Pre crop emergence or Post emergence to GS31

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Product	Rate	Notes
Hurricane	0.2l/ha	Post-emergence only to GS30

This is the only opportunity for residual grass control in the crop and so should not be missed if there is a problem. These products are approved under EAMU, so their use is entirely at the grower's risk.

Fertiliser

P, K & Mg

Apply as for other cereals and depending on soil indices – please ensure soil levels are adequate.

Nitrogen

The crop requires 25 kg/hectare of Nitrogen per tonne/hectare of yield, so a 5.0 – 6.0 tonne/hectare crop requires 125 – 150 kg/hectare of Nitrogen in total. Remember to account for Soil Nitrogen Supply (SNS) in the calculation. Generally the applied Nitrogen is likely to be between 100 and 145 kg/hectare.

Apply one third before the ear development phase (end March; GS 13; three leaf stage) and the remainder at GS 3.2 (second node).

Rate	Growth Stage
40 – 50 kg/ha	Before GS 1.3
80 – 90 kg/ha	GS 3.2

Sulphur

Much of the UK is now deficient from Sulphur. The worst deficiencies are on lighter soils, where the wet Winter will have exacerbated the situation. If you are in a deficient situation apply Sulphur (as Sulphate SO₃) as follows:

	Rate of SO ₃	Timing
Medium deficiency	25 kg/ha	Before GS13
Severe deficiency	50 kg/ha	

Spring Cropping

If you still have land available for Spring cropping we are still looking for hectares:

- Linseed
 - contracts based on fixed price of £360/mt and or £50/mt premium over OSR
 - can be drilled until the end of April
- Naked Oats
 - strong demand from end users
 - fixed price of up to £171/mt
- Canary Seed
 - minimum price of £360/mt
 - late drilled, ultra-low input cereal
 - suitable for heavy land

Call 02392 632883 and ask to speak to the contracts team for more information

**Always read the label before using pesticides. Use pesticides safely.
Products used under EAMU are used entirely at the grower's risk.
Downloads of EAMU can be made from www.pesticide.gov.uk.**

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