# **PRO-ATHLETIC**

## SPECIALTY TURE & AG

#### PRO-ATHLETIC SPORTS TURF

#### High Performance Sports Turf Formula

Pro-Athletic was designed for high traffic baseball and softball fields, sports fields, play grounds, practice fields, golf course fairways, and tee boxes. It is formulated for areas that receive high traffic and need fast recovery. Pro-Athletic contains only varieties specifically bred for aggressiveness, density, root strength, recovery, and color. They are especially suited to our climate.

#### Seed Mix

30% Diva Kentucky Bluegrass 20% Sports Turf Perennial Ryegrass 20% Dragon Kentucky Bluegrass 10% **Double Time** Perennial Ryegrass

20% Guinness Kentucky Bluegrass

#### Characteristics

Rapid establishment Excellent drought tolerance Compact growth Dark green color High disease resistance Early spring green-up Fast recovery

Excellent durability Late fall color retention Aggressive sod formation

General Turf Care

Ine maintenance of a goif course, athletic field, or playground is dictated by the amount of use, wear, mowing neight, and performance desired. Pro-Athletic will adapt to a wide range of maintenance conditions based on the desired quality. The best program should be based on a soil test such as the Bray/Olson Soil Test system. The test of a good maintenance program is how fast the field can recover under playing conditions. The measure of this is the visual evaluation of ground cover and the ability of the field to keep developing roots.

### Fertilizing & Watering

Producing healthy sports turf should start with developing a maintenance plan. This plan should be implemented at least 2 months before use to have maximum performance. High use fields and close mowing require higher maintenance. The objective of watering is to maintain a healthy plant with deep roots. Excessive irrigation develops shallow roots and promotes Annual Bluegrass problems. Water should be applied long enough to allow water to penetrate at least 4-6 inches into the soil. We offer FREE consulting services to evaluate needs for sports fields and parks.

#### Mowing

Sports fields in general are maintained shorter to enhance performance. Pro-Athletic will perform at mowing heights from ¾ of an inch on fairways to 2 inches on soccer and baseball fields. Fields will remain healthier and recover faster if maintained at 2 inches or above. In the off-season sports fields should be cut above 3 inches but avoid removing more than ⅓ of the growth in one cutting. The most successful fall program is to reduce mowing height to 2 inches mid-October, to better prevent spring disease infestation.

#### Seeding Rates

Before planting use our GreenGuard Soil Prep Plus to promote root development and faster establishment.

New Seeding: 175-200 lbs. per acre

