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## Timothy Seed Production

Timothy is adaptable to a wide range of soil types and will perform very well given adequate moisture and fertility. Timothy seed is considered a low cost crop to grow, while still contributing to the bottom line. Timothy seed is used in Canada and around the world in the livestock industry to produce a high quality hay and forages.



**Contracts:** Are usually for 3 seed crop years

**Field Selection** Timothy does well on a wide range of soil types, provided there is adequate moisture and good fertility. Timothy can tolerate flooding and extended periods of standing water. The field should also be free from residual herbicides because these will hamper establishment

**Seeding:** Timothy is seeded at a rate of 2 lbs/ac at a depth of no more than a half inch. It can be solid seeded or in rows ~12" apart and is generally planted under a cereal cover crop

**Crop Protection** While grassy weed herbicides are limited there are a number of broadleaf chemicals available, our production advisors provide our growers with any agronomic support they require

**Harvest:** Timothy must be swathed which usually takes place early August with combining 7-10 days later. Timothy is fairly easy to thresh.

**Yields:** Have ranged from 200-700 lbs/ac with an average yield being ~350 lbs/ac

**Post Harvest:** Timothy seed should be put in an aeration bin to get moisture level below 10% which is safe for storage. If the straw is to be baled it needs to be removed soon after harvest or else chopped. The straw does retain some nutritional value. Fertilizer should be applied in late fall or very early spring to insure that it is available to the plant first thing in the spring, usually 100 lbs of actual N

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