

Red Amber Soft Red Winter Wheat

Genetic Information

Red Amber (MSU D8006R) is a new soft red winter wheat developed at Michigan State University. Red Amber is a fully awned white chaffed soft red winter wheat variety. Red Amber has shown excellent powdery mildew resistance scoring a 1.5 on a 0 to 9 scale. Red Amber has shown very good leaf rust, stripe rust, barley yellow dwarf virus, and wheat spindle streak mosaic virus resistance. Red Amber has very good winter hardiness.

Agronomic Features

Red Amber has shown excellent yield potential. Red Amber had the seventh highest yield of all red wheat varieties tested in the 2008 MSU wheat trials. Its plant height of 35 inches is 3 to 4 inches taller than the shortest varieties. Its lodging resistance is similar to most other commercial varieties. Flowering date is 1 to 2 days later than most other red wheat varieties. Red Amber has very good test weight scores averaging 61.1# per bushel in 2008.

Marketing

Red Amber exhibits superior milling and baking properties. It has high grain protein and flour yield is consistently high with this line.

Red Amber will be sold by variety name as a class of Certified Seed. Authorized seed classes will be Breeder, Foundation, and Certified. Amber soft red winter wheat is marketed and sold by members of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association through a licensing agreement. Red Amber has a royalty assessed on each unit of certified seed sold. Red Amber seed will be inspected and certified by MCIA inspectors to insure a high quality product.

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