

Whitetail Soft White Wheat

Genetic Information

Whitetail is a new awnless, white chaffed high yielding soft white winter wheat variety developed at Michigan State University. Whitetail exhibits a stable and high level of performance, broad adaptation, and resistance/tolerance to many plant diseases. Whitetail has lower DON levels than other commercially available soft white winter wheat varieties. Whitetail will respond well to fungicide management to control stripe rust and spot pathogens.

Agonomic Features

Whitetail is an early high yielding soft white winter wheat with exceptional winter hardiness. Whitetail is of short stature giving it very good lodging resistance. Whitetail was the **highest yielding white wheat variety** at (86.3 bu./acre) and had the highest two year yield average of all white wheat varieties tested in the MSU 2018 wheat trials. Whitetail has the potential to become a dominate wheat here in Michigan.

Marketing

Whitetail wheat was evaluated by the USDA Soft Wheat Quality Lab in Wooster and found to have a very high flour yield and acceptable milling and baking scores. Whitetail will be protected by Plant variety protection (PVP94) under Title V. Seed of Whitetail soft white winter wheat can only be sold by variety name as a class of certified seed. Whitetail is marketed and sold by members of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association through a licensing agreement. A royalty fee will be assessed on each unit of seed sold. Whitetail seed will be inspected and certified by MCIA inspectors to insure a high quality product.

For more information or a list of producers, please contact your local seed dealer or the MCIA office.

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