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**What is Quality Assured Sod?**

The Sod Quality Assurance Program establishes high quality standards for the production and on-going improvement of sod types suitable for installing in challenging environments. The program is a collaborative effort of the Minnesota Turf Association, the University of Minnesota, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association (MCIA).

**How is Sod Quality Assured?**

To be Quality Assured, sod must meet specific standards, including utilizing approved seed mixes, meeting field requirements, and maintaining required documentation. The program provides third-party assurance to end users to ensure that sod meets specifications and was produced according to rigorous production standards.

**Who Produces Quality Assured Sod?**

Quality Assured sod is produced by careful, conscientious sod producers who utilize



approved seed mixtures and required sod production practices to meet program standards.

**Why Utilize Quality Assured Sod?**

The first sod type available is salt tolerant sod suitable for use along streets, parking areas, and roadsides where saline soil conditions frequently occur. This sod type has been approved by MnDOT and will be required where MnDOT projects specify salt- or shade-tolerant sod. It is anticipated that sod products developed through this program will continually evolve and improve as better suited turf seed varieties become available and are utilized to produce sod.

**What Should I Look for?**

A Sod Quality Assurance Certificate must accompany each sod delivery as proof of conformance to program standards.



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**CERTIFICATE  
SOD QUALITY ASSURANCE**

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Buyer		Seller	
Name		Name	
Address		Address	
City, State, Zip		City, State, Zip	
Sod type		Amount of sod (sq. ft.)	
Field Number		Date of harvest	
Shipping method	<input type="checkbox"/> palletized <input type="checkbox"/> large roll <input type="checkbox"/> other	Number of pallets / large rolls / other	

Description of pallet/large roll marking system used:

This sod has been produced in conformity with practices and procedures specified by the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association Standards - Sod Quality Assurance.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Seller's Signature

One original Certificate - Sod Quality Assurance must accompany each shipment of sod.

The sod received by this certificate conforms to the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association's Sod Quality Assurance Program. The sod and certificate are provided with this sod. MCIA MAKES NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR PURPOSE, OR GUARANTEE OF PERFORMANCE. MCIA is not responsible for any sod that does not meet the Minnesota Standards or for any other damages that may result. The seller, whose name appears above, is solely responsible for the appropriate harvest and for the proper use of the certificate.

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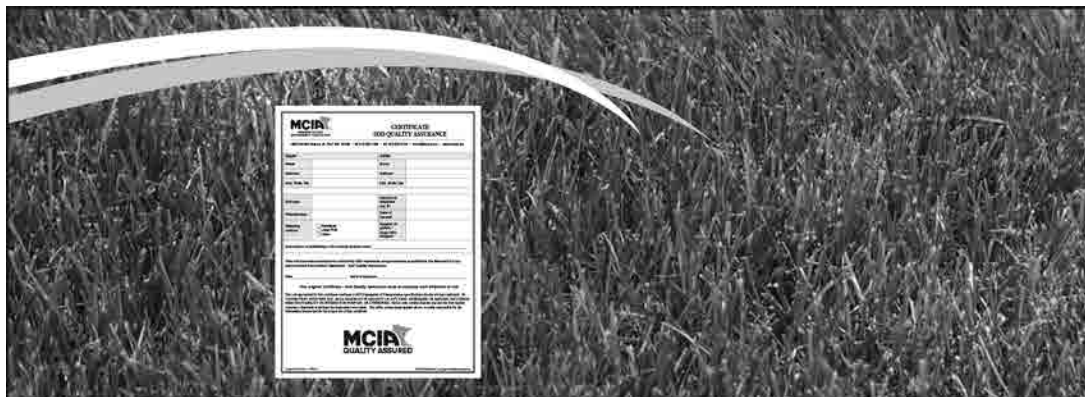
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# QUALITY ASSURED SOD

NAME, ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	COUNTY	SOD TYPE
<b>Central Turf Farms/Earl Haley Sr. or Earl Haley Jr. (Duke)</b> 13655 Lake Dr NE, Forest Lake, MN 55025	651-464-2130	Chisago	MNST-12
<b>Dahle Sod Farm</b> 407 4th St NW, Morristown, MN 55052	507-685-2245	Rice	MNST-12
<b>Jirik Sod Farm, Inc./Pete Jirik</b> 20530 Blaine Ave, Farmington, MN 55024	651-460-6555	Dakota	MNST-12
<b>KLM Farms/Kevin Mann</b> 8597 400th St, North Branch, MN 55056	651-674-4321	Chisago	MNST-12
<b>Helen M. Nagel, Inc. dba Nagel Sod/Helen Nagel</b> 6119 66th St NW, Medford, MN 55049	507-451-9605	Steele	MNST-2, MNST-12
<b>Ray Jordan &amp; Sons, Inc.</b> 1901 Klondike Dr NE, East Bethel MN 55011	763-434-1644	Anoka	MNST-12

All the above sod types are approved for use on MnDOT projects requiring Salt Tolerant Sod. This listing is current as of November 1, 2018. This listing will be periodically updated on our website: <http://www.mncia.org/sod-quality-assurance>.



## *Insist on this certificate for assurance of Salt Tolerant Sod*

- Grown from premium quality seed
  - ♦ Selected turf grass varieties
  - ♦ Quality assured seed mixes from approved vendors
- Comprehensive sod production standards
  - ♦ Professionally grown by qualified producers
  - ♦ Stringent sod quality requirements
- Rigorous third party quality assurance process
  - ♦ Seed to harvest oversight
  - ♦ On-site inspections
- Certificate of Assurance with each delivery
  - ♦ Identifies sod that has met all requirements

Program proceeds help fund University of Minnesota research to improve turf and sod performance.

## SOD QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

Developed through a collaboration of:

MN Sod Producers Assn,  
University of Minnesota,  
Minnesota Department  
of Transportation and  
Minnesota Crop  
Improvement Assn

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