

Cover Crop Seeding Dates by Zone

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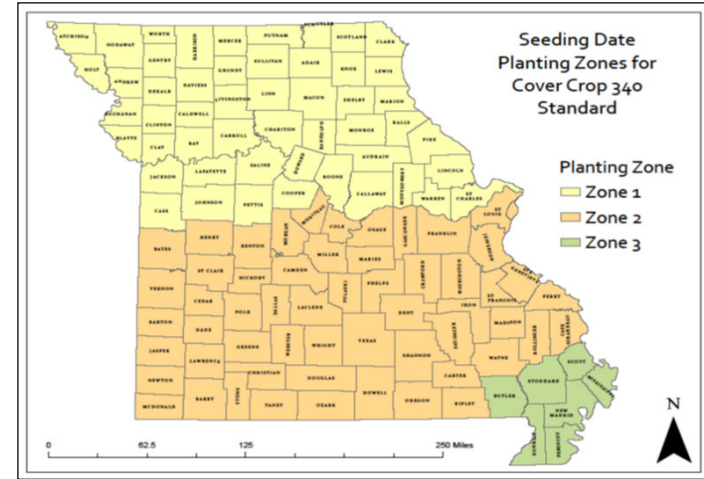
(1) organized by Planting Season and (2) organized graphically by Species.

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Zone 1

Zone 2

Zone 3



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Planting Date Range	Acceptable Species
March 1 to May 15	Annual Ryegrass, Winter or Spring Barley, Winter or Spring Oat, Black Oat, Winter or Spring Cereal Rye, Winter or Spring Wheat, Winter or Spring Triticale, Canola/Rapeseed, Turnip, Collards or Kale, Mustard, Flax, Phacelia, Camelina, Chicory, Oilseed Radish, Lentil, Hairy Vetch, Woollypod Vetch, Chickling Vetch, All other Vetches, Crimson Clover, Red Clover, Berseem Clover, Balansa Clover, Sweetclovers
April 15 to September 15	<u>Warm Season Species:</u> Forage Sorghum, Sorghum-Sudangrass, Pearl Millet, Proso Millet, Foxtail Millet, Japanese Millet, Browntop Millet, Teff, Buckwheat, Safflower, Black Oil Sunflower, Chickpea (desi-type only), Cowpea, Mungbean, Sunnhemp, Soybean
July 15 to September 25	<u>Winter Killed Species:</u> Spring Oat, Black Oat, Turnip, Collards or Kale, Mustard, Flax, Phacelia, Camelina, Oilseed Radish, Lentil, Woollypod Vetch, Chickling Vetch, All other Vetches
July 15 to October 20	<u>Species that will normally survive the winter:</u> Annual Ryegrass, Canola/Rapeseed, Sainfoin, Hairy Vetch, Crimson Clover, Red Clover, White Clover, Winter Pea, Alfalfa, Winter Oat, Chicory, Berseem Clover, Balansa Clover, Sweetclovers
August 15 to December 1	Winter Cereal Rye ^{1/} , Winter Triticale ^{1/} , Winter Barley ^{1/} , Winter Wheat ^{1/}

^{1/} Beware of cover crop seeding dates in Missouri and possibility of Hessian Fly problems. Select resistant varieties for cover crops. Refer to MU Guide 7180 Hessian Fly Management on Wheat written by Michael L. Boyd and Wayne C. Bailey Entomology Specialists