



Seed Units

What is a seed unit?

When ordering seed from www.PFHabitatStore.com, your unit depends on the product you are ordering. Be sure to read the description to know which type of unit you are ordering. Some products (most food plot seed) is sold by the bag and each bag may contain enough seed for a partial acre or multiple acres. Similarly, ordering single species is done in whole units (mostly pounds). When ordering a CRP type mix, you typically are ordering acres which can be done in ½ acre increments.

Why can't I order exactly the number of acres as my project size?

- System - our current ordering portal only allows orders in ½ acre increments.

Why shouldn't I order exactly the number of acres as my project size?

- Minimums - most of the online mixes are developed specifically to meet / exceed the minimum requirements of a practice and program. Standards require a mix must include a minimum seed count or weight per acre. Typically, there are not upper limits to these requirements. It is far better to have a little too much seed for your project than to be a little short (which could require buying additional seed and reseeding).
- Seeding Windows and Methods – most native seed mixes are designed to be spring seeded using a native no-till drill. Many state resource agencies recommend increasing rates for projects that are seeded during a different seeding window (dormant, frost) or using a different seeding method (broadcasting).
- Equipment limitations – seeding equipment needs to be calibrated before seeding and small miscalculations in calibration can lead to shortages of seed.
- Seeding Overlap - when seeding, it is highly likely there will be some overlap of seed distribution which can occur during turn-arounds and normal passes as well as when engaging / disengaging equipment.
- Small projects – it can be very difficult to evenly distribute the small volume of seed in most conservation mixes, especially on small projects. Most conservation mixes weigh between 3 and 5 pounds per acre and could fit in a large ziplock. Even though these mixes do not weigh much, they contain large amounts of very small seed. Fillers / carriers can help with this challenge.

Need more information?

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