

How To Use The Drill

The drill is provided to Shawnee County landowners as a service for a minimal rate. The district does not have the funds to make major repairs. We appreciate your support by keeping within the following guidelines.

1. **Farm equipment speed on the road.**
2. 40 horse power tractor with hydraulics to pull.
3. **NO FERTILIZER! (You will be subject to repair costs and never using the drill again if fertilizer is used.)**
4. Raise the drill out of the ground before turning.
5. Fill seed boxes only after you reach the field. Grass seed has a tendency to pack down.
6. Seed boxes are NOT for storing empty bags because it grabs them.
7. Native grass and brome in MIDDLE box. Call our office for settings or use chart inside seed box door.
8. Wheat, oats, sorghum, soybeans, and small grains in FRONT box.
9. Lower seed cup doors to the 2nd position from the top for soybeans. Raise seed cup doors to highest position for wheat and other small seeds.
10. Legumes, alfalfa, switchgrass, and clover in BACK box. Set according to chart.
11. Drill setting depends on humidity, temperature, box fullness, overlap, point rows, seed type and seed cleanliness. You just have to drill some to determine seeding rate and adjust as necessary.
12. The drill will plug if you go through mud. In general, check tubes and other parts frequently. Do not back up with drill in ground.
13. **When done, raise drill and place the two cylinder stops into lock-up position. Dis-engage the drive mechanism on the left end wheel by pulling it to the "out position".**

The District provides the best recommendations possible for drill rate settings. These recommendations are based on the grass charts provided with the drill and the thousands of acres this drill has seeded. It is still absolutely essential that the person operating the drill periodically monitor the amount of grass seed left versus the acreage to be seeded. Needed adjustments should be made soon enough to avoid running out of seed or having to repeat field passes. The District will not be liable for the cost of additional or any seed for any reason.

I have read these instructions. I understand them and I intend to follow them. I accept full responsibility for the use of and seeding with this drill.

(Signature)

(Date)