

### Who or what is TGA?

TGA (Turfgrass Growers Association) is a nationwide group of turf growers whose aim is to maintain and continue to build a high standard of turf production and service in the UK.

### What is TGA certified turf?

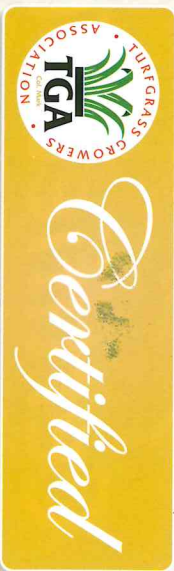
Turf that is grown within rigorous, independently-produced guidelines, therefore assuring a consistent quality product, which conforms to a written declaration.

### What are the advantages of choosing TGA certified turf?

- ✓ An assessment of the species present is given, ensuring you know exactly what you are buying.
- ✓ Strength is tested, ensuring turves are fit to handle and preventing you from incurring handling difficulties and extra wastage.
- ✓ The use of netting is stated. Contributing to strength, you should be aware of its presence.
- ✓ Assurance of quality.
- ✓ Soil type and thatch thickness is measured, clearly describing the turf characteristics to help you decide on its suitability to your needs.
- ✓ Purity is assessed, together with a statement of general health, objectively measuring sward quality in order that you buy with confidence.
- ✓ Size of turf is stated, ensuring you accurately purchase the number of turves you require.

### How do I know I am receiving TGA certified turf?

Only TGA approved turf carries a written certificate of purity, quality and physical attributes of a particular consignment of turf, which can only come from a TGA grower member. Look out for the TGA logo in turf growers literature.



## TGA TURF QUALITY STANDARDS

CERTIFICATE OF TURF QUALITY STANDARDS

Company Name: A TGA Turf Grower

Telephone: 0123 456 789

Field Identification: C2

Date Sown: 4/10/08

Grade of Turf: Hardwearing Turf

Assessment Date: 10/8/10

Date of Harvest: 12/8/10

#### Details of seed mixture sown to produce the turf

Species	Cultivar	% in mixture (by weight of seed)
1 Perennial Rye Grass	Margaria	10
2 Perennial Rye Grass	Jade	15
3 S.S.M.G.	Limousine	10
4 Strong C R Fescue	Herald	30
5 Slender C R Fescue	Barpearl	25
6 Chewings Fescue	Rossignol	10
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Soil Type: Organic

Netting present in turf: Yes No

Weight of turf: 16 kg

% turf purity (assessed by quadrat): 98 %

Nominal size of turf piece: 610mm x 1640mm

This turf has passed the TGA assessment for:

Soil thickness (mm)	Actual Values	Target Values
Thatch thickness (mm)	8	5 - 15mm
Height of sward (mm)	10	less than 10mm
Strength (Number of turves used without tearing)	30	less than 35mm
General health of turf	19 out of 20	19 out of 20

Approximate percentage cover of plant species found in turf (assessed using quadrats)	1 Rye	2 Fescue	3 SSMG	4 AMG
	59 %	25 %	14 %	2 %
	5	6	7	8

Notes:

Very good turf

Signed:

A Gruber

Turf is assessed by a specially trained person on the production nursery. The results are listed on the form above and available for inspection. This allows the purchaser to make an informed choice and know exactly what is being purchased. The TGA is the only organisation in the UK to offer such a declaration. This is our commitment to raising the standards of UK Turf Production.