



CHAMPION

WINTER WHEAT

The wonder wheat

Profile

Status: AHDB Recommended List 2026/27

CHAMPION is the ultimate barn buster, previously topping the Candidate List in 2021/22 and topping the 2022/23 Recommended List with the highest yield available overall . CHAMPION is a high-yielding feed wheat (Group 4) (106%), it also produced high yields when grown as either first or second cereal and on heavy or light soils, which shows its versatility and suitability to a wide range of sites.

It has a medium-length straw, with limited lodging seen over five years of trials in the UK. In common with most other varieties, it may require a PGR.

CHAMPION boasts some of the best scores for Septoria on the RL and also offers growers orange wheat blossom midge resistance. Yellow rust may need close monitoring as pathogen populations evolve. With outstanding overall yield performance, CHAMPION has a robust package for agronomics, disease resistance and grain quality.

CHAMPION has proven itself to be a successful late-drilled variety. Due to CHAMPION's powerful growth habit, being five days faster than average in the late sown period (Nov), the breeder doesn't recommend drilling in the early September drilling spot. The latest safe sowing date for CHAMPION is mid-February.

CHAMPION is able to fulfil the high-volume feed market requirements successfully. It is perfect for farmers looking for delayed drilling after root crops, black grass management systems and those looking for high output in their arable enterprises.

- ✓ Group 4 Feed Wheat – Hard
- ✓ Untreated yield high at 82%
- ✓ Wide range of soil types

General




Type

Compensation type

Yield information



Treated yield United Kingdom (%)	106
Treated yield East region (%)	105
Treated yield West region (%)	107
Treated yield North region (%)	105
Untreated Yield (% of Treated Controls)	82
Protein (%)	10.9
Hagberg Falling Number (seconds)	253
Specific Weight (kg/hl)	75.3
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Plant Height	81
Ripening (days +/- Skyfall)	0
Septoria Tritici	7.2

Agronomics Features

Mildew		medium
Yellow rust		low to medium
Brown rust		medium

Orange Wheat Blossom Midge = R | Data Source: AHDB Recommended List 2026/27

Suitability

Wheat after wheat	
Mulch sowing	
Early sowing	
Late sowing	



Highest wheat yield 17.95t/ha was harvested from 8.2920ha by Tim Lamyman in Louth, Lincolnshire on 10 Aug 2022. Data Source: Guinness World Records

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