Regulations of ‘Ok102’ Wheat

‘Ok102’ (Reg. no. CV-941, PI 632635) is a hard red winter wheat (Triticum aestivum L.) developed cooperatively by the Oklahoma Agric. Exp. Stn. and the USDA-ARS. Ok102 was released in March 2002, primarily on the basis of its resistance to several foliar diseases, excellent milling quality, and desirable dough strength for leavened bread products.

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Ok102 is semidwarf but shorter than most HRW wheat cultivars currently in production. Its mature-plant height (77 cm) is 8 cm shorter than 2174 and ‘Ok101’ (Carver et al., 2003) and 7 cm shorter than ‘Jagger’ (Sears et al., 1997). Lodging resistance on a scale of 1 (highest) to 5 (lowest) is about 2 for Ok102, compared with values of 1 for 2174, 3 for Ok101, and 4 for Jagger. Ok102 shows an intermediate reaction to acidic, aluminum-toxic soil. With a tolerance rating of 3.2 on a scale of 1 (most tolerant) to 5 (most susceptible), Ok102 is more sensitive to Al toxicity than Ok101 (1.3) and Jagger (1.6), but similar to 2174 (3.0). Ok102 breaks winter dormancy relatively late, but its heading date (123 d) is intermediate among current cultivars. Comparative placement of cultivars for date of first-hollow-stem stage is Jagger < Ok101 < 2174 and Ok102. Precise differences are highly year-dependent. Heading date of Ok102 is 2 d later than Ok101 and Jagger, the same as 2174, and 2 d earlier than ‘2137’. This phenological pattern makes Ok102 well suited for winter grazing and grain production in a dual-purpose (graze-plus-grain) management system. Another characteristic that lends Ok102 to dual-purpose production is coleoptile elongation, or the ability to emerge from deeper seed placement. When exposed at 15°C in a growth chamber, coleoptile length of Ok102 is greater than 2174 (1.5 cm), Ok101 (1.3 cm), and Jagger (0.4 cm) at 4 to 12 wk post-harvest for seed stored at ambient temperature. Seed physical quality attributes of Ok102 and 2174 are indistinguishable.

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