

Reseeding with Red Clover and White Clover

Soil Fertility at Reseed

- Soil fertility is critical for a successful reseed esp. clover
- Soil test, lime and appropriate fertiliser (N, P and K)
- Lime required for most methods of reseed
- 3 50kg bags x 10-10-20 at sowing (slurry can partially be used)

Post sowing management

- Ensure seed bed is rolled following seeding
- Post emergence spray - 5-6 weeks after reseed
- Use Pro-Clova on WC, Clovermax on RC
- 1st grazing: 700 – 1000 kg DM/ha
- Graze every 17 – 21 days (1000 – 1400 kg DM/ha)

Take Home Messages

- Seedbed Preparation & post-sowing management crucial for success
- Select grazing varieties that have excellent grazing utilization
- Recycle nutrients to red clover swards after cutting

White Clover

- Aim to reseed 8-10% per year
- 2kg of medium leaf WC per acre
- Use the Pasture Profit Index (PPI) to select grass varieties
- Pick grass varieties with 4 or 5 star * for grazing utilisation

Red Clover

- Red Clover an option on drystock farms to make high DMD silage while reducing Nitrogen input on farm
- 7kg PRG, 4kg RC & 1Kg WC (large leaf)
- Apply 3kg P & 25Kg K per T/DM per cut to replace offtakes
- Use good quality slurry @2500-3000g/ac or 0-7-30 as an alternative