

Winter rye descriptive list 2026/27

DL candidates

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DESCRIBED

	SU Thor	KWS Emphor	SU Baresi	SU Erling	SU Karlsson	Astranos	SU Perspectiv	KWS Tayo	SU Performer	SU Bendix	KWS Serafino	HYH-356 ¹	HYH-354 ¹	Average LSD (5%)
Variety type	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	Hybrid	
Variety status				NEW					C					
Grain yield (% treated control)														
Fungicide-treated (10.3 t/ha)	105	104	103	103	102	102	101	101	100	97	96	-	-	5.7
Number of trials	9	9	19	6	14	14	14	19	19	18	19	-	-	-
Disease resistance														
Brown rust (1–9)	5	5	4	4	6	4	4	5	4	5	5	-	-	1.8
Agronomic features														
Lodging (%)	[52]	[27]	[9]	[5]	[3]	[4]	[6]	[7]	[13]	[7]	[5]	-	-	1.9
Straw length (cm)	135	133	136	134	141	134	137	136	138	139	138	-	-	4.3
Ripening (days +/- SU Performer)	0	+1	0	[0]	0	0	0	+1	0	-1	0	-	-	1.9
Grain quality														
Protein content (%)	7.9	7.8	8.0	8.7	8.5	9.0	8.4	8.2	8.3	8.8	8.2	-	-	0.3
Hagberg Falling Number	184	228	219	207	222	184	229	242	210	191	258	-	-	25.6
Specific weight (kg/hl)	76.0	76.3	77.0	77.0	77.4	76.6	77.0	76.0	76.8	76.5	76.2	-	-	0.9
Breeder/UK contact														
Breeder	Hybro	KWSL	Hybro	Hybro	Hybro	NS	Hybro	KWSL	Hybro	Hybro	KWSL	-	-	-
UK contact	SU	KWS	SU	SU	SU	Sen	SU	KWS	SU	SU	KWS	SU	SU	-
Status in DL system														
Year first listed	25	25	22	26	24	24	24	22	17	22	21	-	-	-
DL status	P2	P2	-	P1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Varieties no longer listed: KWS Baridor, KWS Curator, KWS Igor, Poseidon, and SU Arvid.

The data in this table is provided for information only and does not constitute a recommendation.

SU Erling will be added to the GB and NI Variety Lists (VL) in December 2025, provided no representations are received.

On the 1–9 scale, high figures indicate that a variety shows the character to a high degree (e.g. high resistance).

Candidate varieties will be considered for the DL 2027/28.

¹ Data cannot be published as variety has not completed GB and NI Variety Lists testing.

C = Yield control
[] = Limited data

P1 = First year of listing
P2 = Second year of listing

LSD = Least significant difference
Average LSD (5%): Varieties that are more than one LSD apart are significantly different at the 95% confidence level

Hybro = Hybro, Germany (saaten-union.co.uk)
KWS = KWS UK (kws-uk.com)

KWSL = KWS Lochow GmbH (kws-uk.com)
NS = Nordic Seed, Denmark (nordicseed.com)

Sen = Senova (senova.uk.com)
SU = Saaten Union UK (saaten-union.co.uk)