

Resources Are Available For Grain Drill Calibration

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Planting season is once again upon us and with that comes hopes and expectations of a successful, profitable year. While it seems that new technology is flying at us all the time that can increase our planting accuracy and precision, at the end of the day, getting the correct amount of seed sewn properly and emerged is what matters, regardless of how it gets distributed on or in the soil.

At RiceTec, we try to provide tools to our customers that make this process as easy as possible with the understanding that stand establishment with hybrid rice can be more challenging, yet more financially rewarding at the end of the season. One of the resources we offer at RiceTec is drill calibration assistance to our customers. If you're a RiceTec customer in need of help with drill calibration, one of our service team members will gladly come by and assist you; however, please give them a couple days notice as they are very busy this time of

year. Secondly, if you are more of the independent type, we have several tools available on our website (www.ricetec.com) that walk you step-by-step through drill calibration so you can do it yourself. On our website you'll find a spreadsheet that provides calculations based on your equipment and seed size and includes corresponding videos for proper calibration. Additionally, we have just released an upgrade to our RiceTec iPhone App. Added features of the upgraded App include a seeding rate calculator, weather, rice industry news, hybrid management guidelines, and a new and improved grain drill calibration tool with video assistance. The RiceTec Toolbox App is available free in the App Store to anyone with an iPhone, iPad, or iPod Touch. It can also be used to calibrate your grain drill for crops other than rice.

As always, should you need any assistance, please contact your local Technical Services Representative or contact our Customer Service Line at 877.580.7423. We look forward to working with our customers again in 2012 and hope for a successful year for all! Δ

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