

## SEEDS AND SEEDING

Many varieties of seeds are available commercially in Minnesota and North Dakota. The Coded Variety Trial provides an excellent comparison of the performance of varieties in this area. Contact your agriculturist or seed company representative for more information on varieties. Complete coded variety trial results for American Crystal Sugar Co. and Minn-Dak Farmers' Cooperative are available in the Sugarbeet Research and Extension Reports.

Sugarbeet should be planted as early as weather, soil moisture and temperature conditions permit. The potential for very high yields from early plantings is usually considered worth the risk of frost damage.

1. Plant seed 1.00 to 1.25 inches deep for maximum germination and emergence. Use shallow depths for earlier planting
2. Plant sugarbeet seeds 3 to 4 inches apart in 22-inch rows if they are to be thinned.
3. Plant sugarbeet seeds 4.5 to 5 inches apart in 22-inch rows if planting to stand.
4. A planting speed of 4 miles per hour is recommended, except for Milton (3 miles per hour)
5. Perform needed maintenance on planter prior to planting.
6. **please attend test stand clinic.**