# Crop Scout Calendar for Selection Guide - OAT

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## Tillering

- **1** one shoot
- **2** tillering begins
- **3** tillers formed
- **4** leaf sheaths lengthen
- **5** strong leaf sheaths
- **6** first node of stem visible

## Stem Extension

- **7** second node visible
- **8** flag leaf just visible
- **9** ligule of flag leaf just visible
- **10** in “boot”
- **10.1** head visible
- **10.5** flowering
- **11**

## Ripening

- Loose Smut
- Spike Size
- Plant Height
- Straw Strength
- Maturity

## Other Features

- **Early season vigour**
- **Barley yellow dwarf virus (BYDV)**
- **Stagonospora (Septoria) leaf blotch**
- **Fusarium Head Blight**
- **Crown and stem rust**
- **Leaf blotch**
- **Crown rust**
- **Stem rust**
- **Loose smut**

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