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VADERSTAD TO DISPLAY NEW MULTI-USE COMBINATION DRILL AT CEREALS

Cereals will see Vaderstad's new multi-use combination drill that can accurately place seed in rows while at the same time apply fertiliser across the full cultivated working width of the machine. The unique design concept also allows farmers to under sow cereal crops with grass and drill forage crops such as peas with barley.

The Spirit Next SCD (System Disc Combi) incorporates technology within the company's existing product portfolio. Limited numbers of the 4m version have been working very successfully in the north of Scotland this spring.

"Our aim is to deliver a drill that can apply fertiliser across the full working width of the machine but separate to the seed similar to the Rapid Combi, and can place fertiliser into the seed row like the Mixed drill used to do in Scotland," says Vaderstad's managing director Mike Alsop.

"The Spirit Next SDC achieves this by placing the fertiliser within the seedbed in 12.5cm rows. The unique coulters place the fertiliser in a band approx 25mm wide and 25mm deep, which is in and around where the seed is placed thus avoiding seed burn but delivering nutrition when required.

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"Farmers can also use it to drill oilseed rape with fertiliser and then use it again simply as a seed drill for autumn cereals and if necessary to apply phosphate at the same time by placing it in the vicinity of the seed," he explains.

A split 3,900 litre hopper based on the Seed Hawk has a front half that is used for seed (1,925 litre capacity) and a rear half used for fertiliser (1,975 litre capacity). Each side of the hopper delivers material to its own Fenix metering unit and then to its own external mounted distribution head.

Fertiliser is delivered from its distribution head forwards to steel tube coulters mounted to the arms of the System Discs. Seed is delivered from its distribution head rearwards to the double V-disc coulters as on the standard Spirit Next drill.

All soil-engaging elements such as Crossboard, System Disc, offset consolidation wheels and V-disc coulters are the same as on standard Spirit Next models.

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