Wheat
Variety Name: 6PQZV26B
Experimental Designation: XW18Q
Revised: Apr 8, 2021
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1. XW18Q is a soft red winter wheat developed by Corteva Agrisciences.

2. The cultivar XW18Q was bred and selected using a modified pedigree selection method for the following characteristics in the field environment: disease resistance, plant type, plant height, head type, straw strength, maturity, grain yield, test weight, and milling and baking characteristics.

3. XW18Q has shown best adaptation to the northern soft wheat growing regions of the U.S.

4. XW18Q is moderately resistant to fusarium head blight based on two years of data and moderately resistant to soilborne mosaic virus and stripe rust based on a single year of field data.

5. Identifying characteristics –

1. Kind:	Common, Soft Red Winter Wheat		
2. Seasonal Growth Habit:	Winter	16. Awn Type:	Awned
3. Coleoptile Color:	White	17. Awn Color:	White
4. Juvenile Growth Habit:	Semi-Erect	18. Glume Color:	White/Amber
5. Leaf Color at Boot:	Green	19. Glume Length:	Long
6. Flag Leaf at Boot:	Re-curved, Twisted, Wax Present	20. Shoulder Shape:	Oblique
7. Auricle Color:	Purple	21. Shoulder Width:	Narrow
8. Day(s) to 50% Heading:	131	22. Beak Shape:	Acuminate
9. Anther Color:	Yellow	23. Beak Length (S,M,L,VL):	Short
10. Anthoncyanin:	Absent	24. Glume Pubescence:	Absent
11. Plant Height (cm):	88	25. Seed Color	Amber
12. Internodes:	Hallow	26. Seed Shape:	Ovate
13. Spike Shape:	Tapering	27. Cheeks:	Rounded
14. Spike Density:	Mid-dense	28. Brush Size (S,M,L.):	Medium
15. Spike Curvature:	Inclined	29. Avg 1,000 Kernel Wt (grams):	40

30. Physiological/Biochemical Traits: Phenol color – dark brown

Variants and Frequency: Awnless and/or taller plants may occur at a frequency up to 0.1% (10/10,000).

6. Breeder, foundation, and registered seed classes will be maintained and controlled by the Corteva Agrisciences Integrated Operations department. Foundation seed will initially be produced from breeders' seed, and thereafter foundation seed will be produced from foundation seed: maintaining the specific identity and purity of the variety as released. Registered seed will be grown from foundation or breeder seed and maintained at a purity level satisfactory to Corteva Agrisciences Integrated Operations or the appropriate certifying agency. No royalty fees or licensing agreements are anticipated.

7. Certified seed of XW18Q will potentially first be offered for sale in the fall of 2021.

8. Plant variety protection application is anticipated in 2020 and the certification option will not be elected.

9. Certified acreage is not to be published by AOSCA and certifying agencies.

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