



CARING FOR NEW LAWNS

Keeping the soil moist is the most important step in caring for a newly seeded, hydro-seeded, or new sod lawn. Once the grass blades have reached the right height, it'll be time to mow and fertilize. Follow the tips below to get your new lawn off to a great start!

WATER EVERY DAY

- Water every day. Sunny areas may need more water and more frequent watering than shady spots.
- During hot or dry weather, sprinkle seedlings 3-4 times daily.
- Use an in-ground irrigation system or set sprinklers to a fine mist to avoid washing away seeds or soil.
- Only use as much water as can be readily absorbed; there should be no water left on the soil surface.

KNOW WHEN TO MOW

- Mow when 50% of the new grass is 2 ½ - 3 ½ inches tall.
- Make sure the lawn is dry before mowing.
- Set your mower blades to a height of 2 - 3 inches.
- Don't cut off more than ⅓ of the grass blade at a time. You may need to mow 2 or 3 times weekly.
- Try to prevent clumps of clippings to form. Remove them if you can.

APPLYING FERTILIZER

- We apply fertilizer when we seed or sod your lawn; it won't need any more for a while.
- Give your lawn an application of fertilizer when you mow it for the first time.
- After that, give it 4 or 5 applications per year with a complete slow-release fertilizer.

WHAT ABOUT WEEDS?

Resist the urge to use a weed killer, even if weeds pop up. Once the lawn is fully established, use weed control only when needed by following directions on the product label.

