



Care Instructions for Your New Lawn



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A newly seeded lawn requires care and attention during and after the germination period. Follow the guidelines below to ensure your new lawn has lasting success.



What we did:

- We prepared the seed bed for either an application of hydro-seed, billion or broadcast seed.
- We used a high quality seed mix suited for your area, 19-19-19 starter fertilizer was applied.

What you need to do:

- Water is the most important factor in establishing a new lawn. When grass seeds are incorporated into the soil, they remain dormant until moisture activates their growing cycles. Adequate levels of moisture must be retained for this process to be successful.
- Light, frequent watering, preferably late in the day or early morning is necessary to keep the seedlings moist.
- During the first several weeks, it is important to water the soil to a depth of $\frac{1}{4}$ " • 10-15 minutes per area depending on the type of sprinkler and water pressure.
- Once germination begins and the seedlings start to develop a root structure, watering periods can be increased to keep the soil moist to a depth of $\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- It is important not to let water puddle or accumulate in run off areas. Deep, infrequent watering encourages healthy root growth once the lawn is established.
- It is necessary to develop a strong root system to ensure the lawn can take the stress of the summer and winter months.



When to cut:

- Once your lawn is growing and has reached a height over 3", it is time for the first cut. Never remove more than one third of blade height in a single mowing.
- Make sure your mower blades are sharp and take extra care and time during the first several cuttings. The root system of the lawn is still immature and can be easily damaged. Recommended height is 2.75".
- It is also advisable to bag the clippings for the first several mowings. Frequent mowing is encouraged as it will encourage the turf to fill in quickly.

What else you need to know:

- Approximately one month after the lawn installation, another round of starter fertilizer should be applied with a broadcast spreader.
- We recommend customers committing to a fertilization plan with a licensed professional for this service and all ongoing fertilization and pest control. Herbicides (weed killers) must not be applied to newly seeded lawn for the first 5 cuts.
- Please contact our office at 860-282-9496 with any questions or concerns regarding your new lawn or landscape. We are here to help and are 100% committed to the sustainability of all of our installs!

