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# CARE & MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES

Thank you for allowing *All Seasons Sod & Landscape* to install your beautiful new lawn. Now you will want to properly care for and maintain the turf grass in order to promote and protect the continued health and vitality of your lawn. The following general guidelines are provided in order to assist you in these efforts. Please remember that your lawn's unique requirements may vary due to the turf type, weather conditions, soil conditions, or other various factors.

## **Traffic**

Try to stay off the new turf grass as much as possible for the first two to three weeks. During this time the grass will be working hard to "root in." Heavy watering is also required during this period, which will make the grass softer and easier to damage. Once the sod is rooted, normal traffic may resume.

# Watering

A sufficient water supply is essential for the establishment and growth of the turf grass. The best way to water is with an automatic sprinkler system. However, if watering manually, try to be as diligent as possible. The following recommendations are only a guideline and may need to be adjusted due to natural rainfall, extremely dry and hot weather, or for unusual soil or ground conditions.

1<sup>st</sup> Day: Water each area as much as possible. We recommend at least (90) minutes, 1" or more.
1<sup>st</sup> Week: Water each area approximately (1) hour every day, up to 1".
1<sup>st</sup> Month: Water each area approximately (1) hour every other day, up to 1".
Thereafter: Water each area approximately (1) hour, (2) days per week, at least 1" per week.

#### Mowing

The first cutting should take place two to three weeks after installation. Set the mower height slightly higher for the first cut, and normal height thereafter. As a rule of thumb, you should normally cut no more than about 1/3 of the blade at one time. Mow only when dry.

## Fertilization & Weed Control

Little, if any, fertilization is required upon installation because the turf grass is well maintained and fertilized at the farm. However, in order to keep it beautiful and in good condition, the sod must receive proper care and maintenance. The following are general guidelines for fertilization and weed control.

Approximately 30-45 days after installation, during the growing season, fertilize with a 15-15-15 according to package directions. We do not recommend any certain brand in particular, however, a granular form allows for slow release, which can be more effective than liquid form.

After the first fertilization, you may begin with the next step of the following schedule. Be sure applications of fertilizer are at least 60 days apart. Always take into consideration that varying seasonal and weather conditions may necessitate adjustments.

#### BERMUDA or ZOYSIA

January/February	Apply a pre-emergent weed control (after one year of establishment)
<b>NO PRE EMERGI</b>	ENT FOR ONE YEAR !
March/April	Apply a fertilizer with a POST EMERGENCE weed control
June	Apply fertilizer
August/September	Apply a fertilizer with a post-emergent weed control
<u>FESCUE</u>	
January/February	Apply a pre-emergent weed control (after one year of establishment)
March/April	Apply a fertilizer with a post-emergent weed control
October/November	Apply a fertilizer with a post-emergent weed control
<u>CENTIPEDE</u>	
January/February	Apply a pre-emergent weed control (after one year of establishment)
March/April	Apply a fertilizer with a post-emergent weed control

Please remember this information is provided only as a guideline to assist you in caring for your new lawn. It is not specific to your unique conditions. A professional lawn care company is the best way to maintain your lawn's health and appearance. *All Seasons Sod & Landscape* does not guarantee or warranty the survivability of sod for conditions beyond our control, i.e., acts of God, winter kill, lack of water, improper maintenance, and chemical or fertilizer burn.

We hope you greatly enjoy your new lawn.

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