

8 STEP TRADITIONAL LAWN CARE PROGRAM



Application #1: FERTILIZER WITH PRE-EMERGENT CRABGRASS CONTROL (SPRING)

To enhance the lawn and protect against crabgrass growth, a slow-release fertilizer with pre-emergent crabgrass control is applied. It provides balanced nutrients during spring green-up and a barrier of herbicide that helps prevent grassy annual weeds such as crabgrass from germinating.



Application #2: FERTILIZER WITH PRE-EMERGENT CRABGRASS AND WEED CONTROL (SPRING)

This application further strengthens the lawn into the active spring growth period. A slow-release fertilizer combined with a unique Biological enhances microbial activity in the soil, improving root growth and nutrient uptake. A second pre-emergent herbicide to prevent late germination of grassy weeds, combined with an extensive broadleaf herbicide that controls common plants such as Dandelions, Clover, and Chickweed.



Application #3: FERTILIZER WITH LIME AND SURFACE INSECT CONTROL (SPRING)

A slow-release fertilizer combined with a surface insecticide to control surface insects such as Chinch Bugs, Grubs, Sod Webworm, and Billbugs is applied. Also, spot spraying annual summer weeds as needed. Lime is a valuable soil amendment that helps plants and grass flourish by raising soil PH. A low soil PH, or acidic soil, is often the underlying problem. A healthy lawn will benefit from liming and improving soil quality, helping plants.



Application #4: FERTILIZER AND SOIL ENHANCEMENT (SUMMER)

A balanced slow-release fertilizer and soil enhancement will help maintain a healthy green lawn throughout the summer. Soil structure is important because it governs soil functions such as air and water movement, stabilization, nutrient availability, and root system development. Adding various nutrients to sandy or clay soils significantly improves the soil structure, making the root zone healthier. Adding soil nutrients is a great equalizer and will help clay soil become more porous and sandy soils less permeable.



Application #5: FERTILIZER AND SOIL ENHANCEMENT (SUMMER)

This liquid application consists of slow-release fertilizer and soil enhancement which provides consistent growth and green color through the summer. It strengthens the entire root zone in preparation for stress and heat.



Application #6: FERTILIZER WITH BROADLEAF POST EMERGENT WEED CONTROL (LATE SUMMER)

Fertilizer is applied with post-emergent broadleaf weed control of Dandelions, Clover, Chickweed, and many others. Grubs sever the root system of grass plants and destroy areas of your lawn. At this time, our Service Representative will spot-treat for weeds and monitor your lawn for any possible grub damage.



Application #7: FALL FERTILIZER (FALL)

This application "puts the lawn to bed" with a heavy rate of fertilizer that maintains color and root development throughout the winter months. This application will also help with early spring "green up" in the following season.



Application #8: LIME (FALL)

Lime is a valuable soil amendment that helps plants and grass flourish by raising soil PH. A low soil PH, or acidic soil, is often the underlying problem. A healthy lawn will benefit from liming and will improve soil quality, helping plants and grass to flourish. Lime can be applied at any time of the year to maintain or improve your soil conditions.

TICKS IN THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT

In the early spring when the temperatures are cool ticks are present in the lawn areas. As the temperatures get warmer ticks will retreat to the wood line areas and borough under the leaf litter. Ticks do not fly or jump they sit on bushes, annual grasses and lie in the turf and extend their front legs waiting for a host to wander by. Ticks search for a host by detecting odors, body heat; vibrations, moist air currents, and carbon dioxide that the human or animal leave. Ticks will attach themselves on your clothes, skin, hair and latch themselves on the backs of knees, ears, armpits, and waist.



ADDITIONAL CURATIVE APPLICATIONS (Available if needed)



DISEASE CONTROL

To avoid the negative impact of high humidity, moisture and heat stress conditions, the disease control will impede the growth of lawn fungi, such as dollar spot, red thread, and summer patch – those most common in this area.



SOIL TESTING

To achieve a beautiful, healthy lawn, the soil needs to be in proper condition. It is a critical factor in plant growth.

Soil pH, measured on a scale of 1 to 14, is an indication of the balance between alkalinity or acidity in the soil.

The ideal range for optimal plant and lawn growth is 6.0 to 6.5, which will ensure a maximum amount of nutrients is available to promote proper greening and healthy root development.