

# LAWN CARE CALENDAR



**SPRING**

- Sweep up winter lawn debris to prevent mold.
- Roll lawn to level out uneven areas caused by freezing and thawing soil.
- Aerate to open up compacted soil.
- Overseed bare areas.
- Apply pre-emergent herbicide in early spring.
- Start mowing only after grass has started to actively grow again. (Mower height depends on your species of grass and your climate, but a general rule is to mow slightly lower in the spring and fall; higher in the summer.)
- Apply a light dressing of low-nitrogen fertilizer in late spring.



**SUMMER**

- Apply grub control product in early summer.
- Mow grass regularly. (Adjust mower height in weather extremes: In drought conditions, mow higher and less often; in a wet season, mow slightly lower and more often.)
- Trim grass edges.
- Fertilize and feed if necessary, but do not use these products during dry spells.
- Water grass deeply and only when really needed.



**FALL**

- De-thatch and sweep up debris.
- Aerate compacted soil if you didn't do this in the spring.
- Overseed bare areas if you didn't do this in the spring.
- Apply seed about a month before first frost.
- Apply a light dressing of fertilizer once in early fall, and again in late fall.
- Remove leaves.
- For final mowing, raise the mower height slightly.
- Spray perennial weeds.



**WINTER**

- Perform maintenance on lawn care equipment according to the owner's manual.
- Sharpen mower blades.
- Remove fallen branches and winter debris as necessary.
- Apply fungicide in late winter/early spring.