

Millborn's Turf Establishment Guidelines

NEW LAWN

1. It is desirable to have at least 6" of black topsoil.
2. If weeds are a problem, apply a glyphosate herbicide (Roundup®) and allow weeds to burn down for at least 7 days.
3. Remove rocks and other debris. Till the top 4"-6" of soil. Add compost or additional soil at this time. Till one more time.
4. Firm up the seedbed by raking and/or roll packing. When walked on, you should not sink more than 1".
5. For spring seedings, it's best to plant from April through early June. For fall seedings, plant between late August and early September.
6. Reference the "Turf Grass Seed Combinations" brochure for each turf mix's seeding rate.
7. Seed with a broadcast or drop type spreader. Apply at a half rate in two different directions for even distribution.
8. Apply a non-burning, organic nitrogen fertilizer such as Milorganite®.
9. Roll pack or gently rake over the seeded surface to establish good seed to soil contact.
10. Irrigate often to keep the soil continuously moist for the first 21 days. Decrease the frequency and increase the quantity once the lawn is established.
11. Do not cut the lawn shorter than 2" in the spring and fall. In the warm part of the summer, do not cut the lawn shorter than 3".

HOW TO FRESHEN UP AN EXISTING LAWN

1. It's best to over-seed in April through early June or between late August and early September.
2. Reference the "Turf Grass Seed Combinations" brochure for each turf mix's seeding rate.
3. Seed with a broadcast or drop type spreader. Apply at a half rate in two different directions for even distribution.
4. Core aerate lawn 1-2 times.
5. Apply a non-burning, organic nitrogen fertilizer such as Milorganite®.
6. Irrigate deeply 1-2 times per week for 4-6 weeks. Then, use normal fertility and irrigation routine.