

Pro Landscapers Care Guide to Your New Landscape.



Initial Care on Newly Sodded Lawns

- Adequate moisture is the single most important component for a new lawn
- Lawns are not warrantied, so please contact us with any questions you may have in establishing your lawn.

Sod must remain moist from initial installation until it has rooted down. The sod roll and the first two inches of soil beneath should be saturated. Typically, this will require you to water the lawn a minimum of three times per day. Frequency and duration of water times must be adjusted depending on weather conditions. Temperature, wind, and rain will affect the amount of water required.

- Once the sod has rooted down, typically within 2-3 weeks (if properly watered), the watering schedule can be reduced. However, it is still important to keep watering.
- YOU CANNOT OVER WATER SOD
- To check if the sod is rooting down, try to pull up a corner. If the roots have started to catch the soil underneath and you hear a tearing sound as you lift, it is rooting down.
- Heavy foot traffic, riding lawn mowers, pets and any other heavy items should be kept off the new sod until the watering frequency has subsided. Walking on saturated sod can create ruts/divots in your lawn, creating an uneven surface.

Mowing

Do not mow until the sod is rooted down (approximately 2-3 weeks after installation). Do not let the sod get too tall for the first mowing. Be sure the soil underneath is dry, as to not create ruts. We suggest setting your mower deck to its highest blade length setting.

Fertilization

Sod is delivered freshly fertilized. You may fertilize your sod 6-8 weeks after installation. We recommend using a granular fertilizer with a high Potassium (K) number or a well-balanced fertilizer, such as a 10-10-10.

Weed Control

Typically, no weed control is required for the first 30 days with new sod. After 30 days, a 'spot spraying' of a broadleaf herbicide is sufficient.

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