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How to Care for your Hydroseeded Lawn

Day 1: Start watering 24 hours after the initial hydroseeding. Water 3-4 times a day. Keep the ground wet. Avoid water that runs off grass area. Do not over-water or water at night.

Golden Rule: Keep the ground wet all day (without standing water for more than 1 hour). Every lawn and every irrigation system is unique. When in doubt apply golden rule.

Day 7-14: -Germination takes place, water 3-4 times a day for the first month.

Day 14-45: -Fertilize lightly. Apply half of the recommended amount of a starter fertilizer. Do not use any kind of weed killer.

Day 30 - 60: -First mowing takes place when the grass is between 2" to 3" (Be sure the mower blade is sharp).

-Fertilize again with half the recommended amount of starter fertilizer.

-Begin mowing weekly. (This is critical! It will force the grass to spread out and fill in.)

-Begin watering once a day.

Day 90 - 120: -Apply good quality weed and feed. Follow directions on the bag exactly.

Key Notes:

Watering

1.The first 14 days of watering are critical to proper germination. Review watering times daily to ensure complete coverage. Adjust sprinklers or watering times as needed. Do not over-water or water at night.

2.Reduce watering after the first mowing.

3. After the lawn is established, water longer rather than more frequently. A light watering will encourage the roots to grow shallow and will weaken the lawn.

Fertilizing

1.Depending on your environment and/or seed bed preparation. Weeds may or may not grow with the new grass. They may be killed at a later time with normal application of weed and feed. Do not use any kind of weed killer within the first 60 days.

2. We recommend a 4 to 6 step fertilization program be started to give your lawn the nutrient it needs and keep it healthy.

Mowing

1.Due to differences in soil conditions and Ph balances, it is not uncommon to have small patches that do not germinate. May of these areas will fill in when you begin mowing on a weekly basis. You must ensure that slow germinating areas are not caused by lack of water.

2.In times of stress, such as during hot, dry weather your grass should be mowed a little longer than usual to conserve moisture. It is healthier to mow more frequently than to allow the lawn to grow very tall and then remove a large portion of the grass all at once.

3.After grass is established mowing height should be at least 3" but not more than 5".