



Care Instructions for New Lawns

Fall Aeration / Over-seeding Instructions

Watering instructions: After grass seed is sown, it should be watered once per day for around 14-21 days to insure proper germination. If you are unable to keep the area watered, the grass seed will still germinate, but it could sit for well over a month while awaiting a sufficient amount of rain. The proportion of grass seed that will eventually germinate can decrease the longer the seed sits on the ground. After the seed germinates, follow a normal watering schedule. It is recommended that most lawns receive around one inch of rainfall or irrigation per week.

Straw: Straw is usually spread over lawns that have had new topsoil applied, or that have an extensive amount of bare soil exposed. Please leave the straw on the ground and let nature take its course in removing it. With frequent mowing, the straw will be chopped into smaller pieces, allowing for faster decomposition. Lawns that were aerated and over-seeded usually do not require an application of straw.

Mowing: Please allow newly seeded lawns to grow to a height of 3-4 inches before the first cut. If possible, postpone mowing when aerating and over-seeding for a period of 2-3 weeks. During this period, the lawn should be watered according to the instructions above. If you are unable to delay mowing for this long, mow at the highest possible setting on your mower. This should help prevent the mower from damaging the seed.

Fertilizer: Water in all fertilizer after application, unless otherwise specified.

Guarantee on Grass Seed: Grass seed is guaranteed only if the customer has an automatic irrigation system that is capable of watering the newly seeded areas. If you notice bare or thin spots in your lawn after the seed has germinated, Cedar Cove Landscaping will re-seed those areas one time, free of charge.

Cedar Cove Landscaping offers maintenance visits for those who find it difficult to maintain their lawns, and for people with busy and erratic schedules. Please contact us at (423) 240-3567 for further information. We thank you for your business and look forward to working with you again in the future.