

# Fall Lawn Care



Fall is the best time of the year to overseed your existing lawn or establish a new lawn.

## Overseeding A Weak Lawn

Spray broadleaf weeds with a selective herbicide and wait 2 weeks.

Take a soil sample of your lawn to determine the pH.

Mow shorter than normal and rake clean.

Core aerate if you have compacted soil or heavy thatch.

Apply starter fertilizer and lime or gypsum as determined by the pH test.

Use Ringer Lawn Restore if thatch is thicker than ½ inch.

Overseed with the proper seed. If core aerating, lightly topdress with topsoil or humus.

Water daily until grass has germinated, then soak once a week.

Fertilize in late fall with Scott's Winterizer.

## Seeding A New Lawn

Kill existing vegetation with Roundup.

Take a soil sample of your lawn to determine the pH.

Prepare soil by breaking up the surface with a rake or spade using a crisscross pattern.

Broadcast Starter Fertilizer, lime and gypsum as determined by the pH test.

Spread topsoil or humus to a ½ inch depth.

Rototill to a depth of 4 inches and grade smooth.

Sow proper seed and mulch lightly with Straw or Peat Moss to control erosion and conserve moisture.

Water daily until grass has germinated, then soak once a week.

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## Which Seed?

Let our staff help you select the seed that best suits your needs. Apply at the recommended rate and incorporate into the top ¼" of soil. Do not bury the seed.

