

Bermudagrass Lawn Calendar

MOWING HEIGHT:

Common bermuda: 1" - 2" Hybrid bermuda: 1/2" - 1 1/2"
Remove no more than 1/3 total height at one time.

WATER:

1 inch per week if no rainfall. Sod laid in fall or winter months must not be allowed to dry; water as needed. Observe watering restrictions.

FERTILIZATION:

Use any turf fertilizer. Follow label directions and rate.

IDEAL pH RANGE: 5.5 - 6.5

Use dolomitic lime per soil test recommendation.

AERATION:

Use a core aerator during active growth season.

DETHATCH: If thatch exceeds .5" deep, use a vertical mower with blades 1" apart; go over the lawn in only two directions. Topdressing with .25" of soil is the most effective practice.

SEEDING - NEW LAWN*:

Unhulled seed: 5 - 8 lb. per 1000 sq. feet.

Hulled seed: 1 lb. per 1000 sq. ft

OVERSEEDING - ESTABLISHED LAWN*:

5 - 10 lb. ryegrass seed per 1000 sq. feet

SODDING

500 sq. ft. per pallet

WEED CONTROL:

Read product label carefully to determine which weeds are controlled and on which grasses the product can be used.

Spring pre-emergent* (prevents crabgrass, goosegrass and other summer weed seeds from sprouting)

Broadleaf post-emergent * (spot spray to kill broadleaved plants like chickweed, wild violet, dandelion, wild onion, etc)

Grassy weed post-emergent* (kills grassy weeds like crabgrass, dallisgrass, etc. Do not apply to drought-stressed Bermuda.)

Winter pre-emergent* (prevents chickweed and other winter weed seeds from sprouting)

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			OK								
new sod	new sod	new sod	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	new sod	new sod	new sod
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Best	Best	Best	Possible	Best	Best						
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Marginal	Marginal	Possible	Possible	Best	Best	Best	Possible	Possible	Possible	Marginal	Marginal
	Possible	Best	Possible								
OK											
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*Read weed control product labels carefully. Some products can not be applied to lawns that will be seeded within a few weeks or when they are transitioning to active growth.