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LAWN CARE

Fertilization

Fertilize three to four times per year: early spring, late spring, summer and a final application in mid fall. Fertilizing is for the health and appearance of your lawn.

Liming

Dolomite lime should be applied every year either in the spring or fall. Blue grass lawns or heavy or wet soils should be limed twice a year, spring and fall.

Watering

Watering should be thorough (1" of water per sprinkler location), and done three to seven days apart during warm, dry weather, depending on the soil type.

Thatching and Aeration

Heavy soils should be aerated every year, other soils every two years. Thatching should be done every two years, in early spring or fall. Lawn mixes containing bent grass should be thatched every year.

Moss Control

Wet, acid soil may have problems with moss. Moss controls contain ferrous ammonium sulfate, with or without fertilizer. Therefore, these products can stain concrete and should be cleaned after any application. Allow at least four weeks between moss control and seeding. See our 'Controlling Moss' handout for further information.