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# Seasonal Turf-tips



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# Trust Your Turf To The Experts



## January

After the hangover has faded from your New Years celebrations, there's very little essential work that needs doing to your lawn. It is, however, important to avoid using it in very wet conditions and in frost, as this can damage the lawn. If the weather improves a little, debris such as leaves and twigs should be removed from the lawn. If the weather doesn't improve, make sure you spend this downtime servicing your lawn care equipment.

## February

It's the month for Valentine's Day and it can be tempting to show your lawn some love with a hint of milder weather. It's still not time to get the lawnmower out, though! If your lawn needs any repairs, re-turfing is possible, but only if spring starts to show its face.

## March

Spring is finally here (hopefully!) and as soon as the weather begins to improve, your grass should start showing signs of growth. Now it's time to start keeping a closer eye on your lawn. If it's been a winter of heavy frosts, a light rolling with the roller from your mower will help settle the surface of your lawn, leaving it even and smooth. It's not a bad idea to lightly rake the lawn to remove any debris, but be careful; a heavy hand will damage the grass. Inspect the lawn for signs for disease, and creeping moss. No idea how to spot disease? Try our Turf Troubleshooter for any immediate problems. Don't panic if you do find any; most turf diseases can be easily remedied. If it's a good day, then it's time to start mowing your lawn; make sure the mower blades are on a high setting so as to not rip up all your turf. However, not many mowings should be required in March.

## April

It's time to dig out any coarse grasses clumping up your lawn, and to re-turf those areas. Regular mowing will keep your lawn neat and tidy, but keep the blades at a high cutting height. If you're thinking about fertilising your lawn, make sure that the grass is dry but rain is expecting soon. It's still too early for weed killers, though!

## May

As the sun begins to shine on a regular basis, it's finally the time for weed killer. Follow the manufacturer's instructions and make sure the product is designed for lawn use; you don't want to kill your lawn in trying to keep it in good order! Mowing should be carried out on a more regular basis, but don't scalp your lawn! Gradually lower the mowing height according to how much your turf is growing. When mowing, it's important to vary the direction of the cut without pushing the mower backwards and forwards. If it's a warmer month than expected, then water the lawn. However, grass is tougher than it looks! Over-watering is more dangerous to your lawn than a drought. Water in the evening to avoid scorching the grass, and make sure the water has fully penetrated the soil.



## June

It's peak time for mowing, and a regular session on the lawnmower should be part of the weekly routine. If it's unusually dry, however, don't forget to raise the height of the cut to stop the lawn from getting stressed. Light raking before the cut can also help ensure an even cut. Feeding your lawn is best done at this time of the year. If the weather is hot and dry, water the lawn on a regular basis. Make sure the water soaks in smoothly and evenly, and don't contravene any local hosepipe bans!

# A Lawn Is More Than Grass **Alone.**

## July

Between the school holidays and the barbeques, don't forget to mow your lawn at least once a week! If weeds are a problem, then keep up the use of a weedkiller.

## August

As the summer holidays drag on, keep up the plan of action from August. If your lawn is showing loss of colour then use a liquid 'green up' fertiliser. If it's been a particularly hot summer, then a good soaking for your lawn is better than 'little and often'. Not only will it be easier for you, it'll also encourage the roots to grow deeper.

## September

As the temperatures begin to drop, so does the speed of grass growth. Mowing should not be as regular, and the height of the cut will also need to be raised. This does mean that it's a great month to get on with repairs to your lawn.

## October

Mowing should no longer be a requirement in this month. It's Halloween this month, and if any scary fungal diseases crop up in your lawn then treat them immediately. Falling leaves should be removed from your lawn regularly through some light raking, but only if the grass is relatively dry.

## November

Wrap up warm against the first signs of winter. If your grass is still showing signs of growth then a final cut may be required, but this is unlikely.

## December

Enjoy the festive period, and keep off the lawn if the weather is frosty. Other than that, very little will need doing your lawn at the close of the year.

Remember, though, all these dates and times are subjective to the weather and to the overall condition of your lawn. Use your best judgement, if you're unsure don't hesitate to contact us if you have any further problems.