

Beautiful lawns the water-wise way...

the Rx for a Texas-tough lawn!

Deep roots are the secret to healthy turf grass. Encourage root development from the start by conditioning lawns with proper irrigation. Follow through with recommended fertilization and mowing practices!

Give new lawns T.L.C.

- 💧 Saturate freshly installed sod.
- 💧 Roll lawn with sod roller to ensure firm contact with soil.
- 💧 Irrigate daily or as needed for first two weeks until grass is firmly rooted. Check soil for moisture as a guide for watering.
- 💧 Taper irrigation, watering less frequently each week.
- 💧 At 6 to 8 weeks, treat as established lawn.
- 💧 www.ci.austin.tx.us/growgreen/downloads/lawncare.pdf



- 💧 Irrigate deeply, applying an inch so that water is absorbed by soil to depth of 4 to 6 inches. Avoid run-off.
- 💧 Irrigate infrequently. An inch of water a week is enough, including rainfall.
- 💧 In mid-April, fertilize sparingly with a slow-release organic fertilizer with a ratio of 6-2-4 or 8-2-4.
- 💧 Raise lawnmower to highest setting and cut off no more than a third of the grass blade at each mowing.
- 💧 Let clippings fall to the ground—grass clippings supply a quarter of the lawn's fertilizer needs.

Keep established lawns in shape!



Avoid these lawn stressors!

- ⊗ Shallow, frequent irrigation that creates shallow roots.
- ⊗ Irrigating late in the day contributes to fungal disease.
- ⊗ High nitrogen fertilizer increases disease susceptibility.
- ⊗ Combination products that contain fertilizer, herbicide and pesticide. Application seasons differ.
- ⊗ Cutting grass too short compromises root development.

information provided by The Woodlands Township
281.210.3800
www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/gardeningevents