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Your new lawn may increase your property value as much as 15%. With proper care, it will remain a great asset, providing beauty, a clean playing surface, and an improved environment.

Mowing

Mow your lawn regularly. (1-1/2 to 2") never removing more than one third of the grass height at a mowing. Keep your mower blade sharp. Dull blades will rip the leaves leaving them with whitish tips.

Fertilizing

Fertilize your lawn:

- one month after installation,
- at the first sign of spring, or the first of April,
- at the first sign of winter, or the first of November,
- and in the summer as needed.

During the summer months, if your lawn does not require mowing at least once a week or if it lacks a rich dark green color, it should be fertilized using 6 to 8 lbs per 1000 sq. ft. of a balanced fertilizer. Your lawn may need this application 2 or 3 times throughout the summer.

We recommend watering your lawn with at least an inch after applying fertilizer. We recommend using a spinner broadcast spreader, either a shoulder or a push type. Spreader setting should be set at one half (1/2) rate. Doing your lawn in a criss-cross pattern will insure an even distribution.

Fertilizer recommendation sheets are available upon request.



We are in business to serve you!
Call us if you have any questions.

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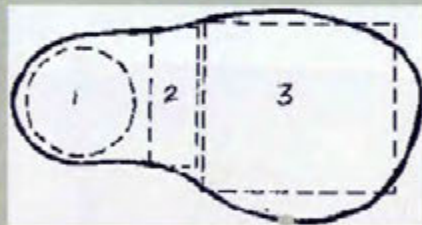
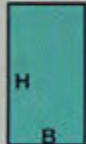
Cultivated turf allows you to enjoy a lawn of instant beauty and maturity without the usual time consuming maintenance of seeding.

The following are basic steps recommended for the Central Oregon region to create a successful, beautiful lawn. Check with McPheeters Turf for any further questions.

STEP 1 Measuring & Ordering

With a tape, measure the area of your planned lawn. Find the area with these simple calculations.

of a CIRCLE $A=3.14 \times R^2$ of a RECTANGLE $A=B \times H$ of a TRIANGLE $A=B \times H \div 2$



Combination Free-Form Forms

Breakdown the free-form area to obvious forms and calculate each form's area. Once each form is calculated, add the areas together to derive a total area.

Breakdown of:

Circle (1): $A=3.14 \times R^2$ Rectangle (2): $A=B \times H$

Square (3): $A=B \times H$

Be sure to have your preparatory work completed before you order your turf. Prompt installation on the day of delivery is crucial to a strong beginning for your new lawn.

Step 2 Soil Preparation

If your ground is compacted, rototill to a depth of 3 to 4 inches. Remove all dirt clods, branches, and other debris.

Rake smooth and level. To eliminate drainage problems, slope soil away from foundations, etc. If top soil was placed on the area, use a roller 1/3 full of water and roll the area to firm up the soil surface and reveal low areas that need more soil. Watering the area thoroughly a couple days prior to installation will help reveal these areas also. We do not recommend using pre-plant fertilizer unless it is rototilled or raked and watered into the soil. When using a pre-plant fertilizer we recommend using 4 to 5 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. of a well balanced fertilizer.



Step 3 Turf Installation

Install your lawn immediately upon delivery. Start water on your lawn within 30 minutes of installation. Turf is living plant material, it requires ground contact and moisture to survive. Begin installation along the longest straight line available, such as a sidewalk or a driveway. Push edges and ends against each other tightly, without stretching.



Avoid gaps or overlaps. Stagger the joints in each row in a brick-like fashion (use a sharp knife to trim corners). A knife with a serrated edge works very well.

On berms or hills, place the turf pieces across the slope. After installation, roll entire area with a roller 1/3 full of water to improve turf/soil contact and remove air pockets. To avoid indentations do not use heavy traffic on your new lawn for the first two weeks, during initial establishment.

Step 4 Watering

Give the entire area at least one inch of water within one half hour of installation. For the first week, water the area one inch every day.

During the second week, water one inch every other day. By the third week you may water as normal. Water 1 inch every 2 or 3 days.

Adjust watering schedules depending on soil types, weather, and water availability. Be sure that your new lawn has enough moisture to survive hot, dry, or windy periods.

Water areas near buildings and fences more often where reflected heat dries the turf quickly. Complimentary watering gauges are available at **McPheeters Turf** for measuring water applied.

