

Continental Construction, Inc.

Lawn Care Tips Helpful Do-It-Yourself Information

Fundamentals of: Seeding, Mowing, Fertilizing

Construction

Continental Construction understands that construction efforts can rearrange a property in a matter of minutes. We are a professional organization that strives to complete projects in an efficient and economical manner. Our pride and quality is reflected in our work. The restoration work is a reflection of our company name, and we put a great effort to restore properties to their pre-existing condition, which can be a traumatic experience for some property owners. Please be assured that our professional staff will do everything possible to ensure quality work in a timely manner (weather permitting). Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

Seeding

Before the installation of pipe, each property is prepped by removing the top soil and placing it in a pile off to the side of construction. After the construction procedure, top soil is replaced, tilled, leveled and the large rocks are removed. Next, Continental Construction spreads high quality seed mix along with fertilizer and rakes it in so it is covered with soil. Mulch is then applied to retain moisture and prevent the seed from blowing away. Germination will begin and grass shoots should be visible within 14 days with proper care by the property owner.

Mowing

Proper mowing can mean the difference between a so-so lawn, and a great one!! Grass generally performs best when mowed at one of the highest mower settings, especially in hot summer weather. When cutting newly seeded areas, wait until the secondary growth takes hold. Quality seed is a slower starting grass, therefore the initial growth is the seed that stabilizes soil and retains moisture. Avoid scalping at all costs and never cut off more than 1/3 of the length of the grass blade in a single mowing; once a week is usually sufficient. In the spring, when grass is growing more rapidly, mowing twice a week may be necessary.

Fertilizing

Fertilizing depends on how good a lawn you want, as well as having the time it takes to maintain it. For northern lawns, one feeding in the spring and another in the fall is minimum.

The following will cause severe damage to newly seeded area:

Raking mulch off newly seeded area

Mowing newly seeded area

Blowing grass cuttings on newly seeded area

Leaf blowing on newly seeded area

Driving on newly seeded area