# SPRING LAWN CARE GUIDE FOR LUSH, GREEN GRASS IN EDMONTON, AB

#### A Euro Yard Service Guide

#### CLEAN DEBRIS & IDENTIFY YOUR GRASS

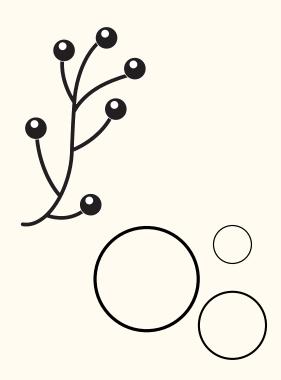
Firstly, your yard could use a little TLC (tender lawn care), so go ahead and clear off any twigs or leaves left from the winter. This'll make everything else a whole lot easier.

Your lawn is probably a mix of Kentucky bluegrass, red fescue, or perennial ryegrass. They are "coolseason" grasses, more tolerant to the cooler weather and harsher winters. If you're unsure of your grass type, we'd be happy to help identify it!

It's important to know your grass-species, so you can buy the right seed to fill bare spots!







# **TREAT PROBLEM AREAS**

Here's a couple things to keep in mind... Weeds: You'll see weeds spring up around May, and you can physically remove them or use a broadleaf post-emergent herbicide. You may have to re-apply during the summer months depending on the severity of the weeds. As always, the best weed control is a dense healthy lawn!

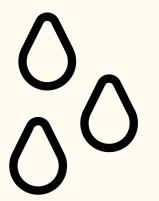
**Bare Spots**: For bare spots, we recommend clearing these areas of any debris (including dead grass!). If you're unable to easily stick a screwdriver in the soil, then it's time to have your lawn aerated. Core aeration is ideal, as it pulls plugs out of soil allowing for water and nutrients to reach the roots. During aeration, it's the perfect time to seed as you'll now have optimal 'seed-to-soil' contact.

### FERTILIZE

Once your lawn begins to actively grow, you can then apply a controlled-release fertilizer. It will help develop a healthier root system that is less susceptible to heat, cold and drought. Using a slow release fertilizer and following the proper dosage on the label will give you the assurance that you won't burn your lawn. Applying fertilizer in the fall along with the spring will help give your lawn a jump start out of the winter.



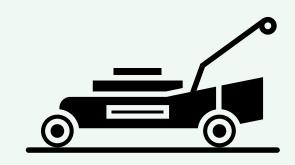
### **SLOW DOWN, DON'T OVER-WATER**



It is recommended that your lawn get a total of 1"-1.5" of water per week. We recommend watering 2-3 times per week for longer periods of time instead of daily water. In the event of a newly seeded lawn, it is recommended to water a few times a day using a small amount of water each time; just enough to keep the new seed moist. Look for these signs to water your lawn: folded leaf blades, blue-gray color, or visible footprints in the grass (the grass isn't bouncing back).

# **BEGIN MOWING**

Once your grass is about 2.5-3.5" tall, you can begin mowing regularly. Make sure to have sharp blades when mowing. Don't mow more than 1/3 of the grass blade, at one time as this can stress the grass. Mow higher during the hotter months to reduce the stress on the lawn. 4" is great.



### **ENJOY YOUR LAWN!**



One of the best ways to be aware of the health of your lawn is to enjoy it regularly - you'll notice when a problem begins to crop up if you're spending a lot of time outside! We specialize in regular maintenance of lawns in your area for a great outdoor experience.

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