

# Lawn Care Calendar

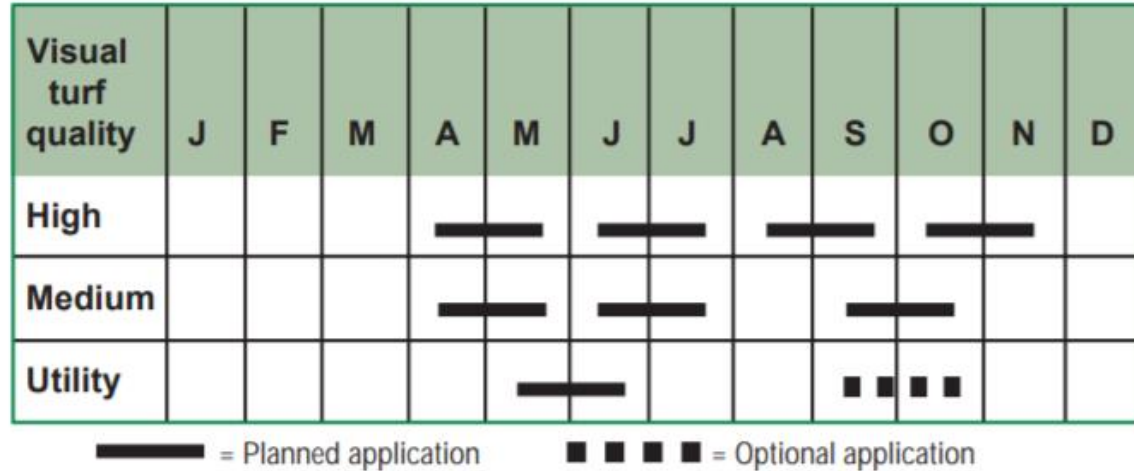
<b>December-January</b>	Avoid piling snow on turf areas, stay off frozen grass.
<b>February</b>	Stay off muddy grass areas. When not muddy, gently rake lawn to remove debris.
<b>March</b>	*Mow (0-2 times a month) Annual Grass Pre-emergent Control Dethatch, Moss control
<b>April</b>	*Mow (4 times a month), Moss control
<b>May</b>	*Mow (4-6 times month) Fertilize -Memorial Day (1 to 1.5 lbs/1000 SqFt), Broad-leaved Weed Control, Core Aeration, Overseeding, De-thatching (if > 3 inches thick)
<b>June</b>	*Mow (4-6 times a month), Irrigation (adjust for rainfall)--1 inch per week, divided into 5 sessions at 2/10 of an inch each time (will run off if more than 2/10 inch at a time)
<b>July</b>	*Mow (4 times a month) Fertilize-4 <sup>th</sup> of July (.5 to 1 lb), Irrigation (adjust for rainfall)--1 inch per week, divided into 5 sessions at 2/10 of an inch each time (will run off if more than 2/10 inch at a time).
<b>August</b>	*Mow (4 times a month), Irrigation (adjust for rainfall)--1 inch per week, divided into 5 sessions at 2/10 of an inch each time (will run off if more than 2/10 inch at a time)
<b>September</b>	*Mow (4 times a month) Fertilize Labor Day (.5 to 1 lb), Broadleaved Weed Control, Overseeding, Irrigation (adjust for rainfall)--1 inch per week, divided into 5 sessions at 2/10 of an inch each time (will run off if more than 2/10 inch at a time).
<b>October</b>	*Mow (2-3 times a month), Irrigation (adjust for rainfall)--1 inch per week, divided into 5 sessions at 2/10 of an inch each time (will run off if more than 2/10 inch at a time)
<b>November</b>	Fertilize Before Thanksgiving (1 to 1.5 lbs/1000 SqFt).

\*Mowing-raise mowing height and increase frequency to maintain height of 2-2 ½ inches. Never cut more than 1/3 of the grass blade. Mulch grass clippings (leave on lawn) to add nitrogen back into soil.

- <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/sites/catalog/files/project/pdf/ec1278.pdf>
- <https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2071/2013/12/Lawn-Care-Calendar.pdf>
- <https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2062/2014/04/eb0482.pdf?x96359>
- Turfgrass management--EXCELLENT video! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yd9jC9KiTuM>

# About Fertilizing your lawn

*Figure 1. Fertilizer calendar for irrigated lawns in western Oregon.*



Horizontal bars indicate time for each application. Adjust timing based on your goals and personal experience with your lawn. Each application is assumed to be at 1 lb N per 1,000 sq ft. On hungry lawns, 1.5 to 2 lb N per 1,000 sq ft can be used to stimulate density and color. Unless lawns are very weak, avoid early-spring applications since grass normally grows vigorously by itself at that time.

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# Care schedule for parts of your lawn that matter most for visual appeal

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<b>High-input lawns</b>		<b>*Grass cycling ads up to 2 lbs N/1000 ft<sup>2</sup>/yr.</b>												
	Notes	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	
Mowing	Increase frequency with increased growth			■										
Fertilization	*4–6 lb N/1,000 ft <sup>2</sup> /yr. April application may not be needed. Utilize slow-release materials.				■		■		■			■		
Irrigation	Monitoring will indicate when needed at start of season						■							
Core aeration	Relieves compaction and improves percolation; can combine with overseeding				■									
Overseeding	Prevents weed encroachment in bare areas.				■					■				
De-thatching	Only if > 3/4" layer				■									

Care schedule for parts of your lawn that don't need to be golf-course perfect, and it won't take up too much time and energy keeping it looking good.

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<b>Medium-input lawns</b>		<b>*Grass cycling ads up to 2 lbs N/1000 ft<sup>2</sup>/yr.</b>												
	Notes	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	
Mowing	Increase frequency with increased growth.			■										
Fertilization	*2–3 lb N/1,000 ft <sup>2</sup> /yr.						■				■			
Irrigation	Monitoring will indicate when needed at start of season						■							
Core aeration	Relieves compaction and improves percolation; can combine with overseeding					■								
Overseeding	Prevents weed encroachment in bare areas.					■								
De-thatching	Only if > 3/4" layer.					■								

