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Landscaping Hardscaping Design

How to care for your new sod.

Initial Watering

- Watering after installation is the most important of the process.
- In the first 2 days, sod should remain saturated like a wet sponge at all times.
- Sod MUST remain in damp condition for 10-14 days.
- Ensure you are watering hard to reach areas and areas along driveway or sidewalks that are in danger of burning out.
- Continue watering as necessary, lengthening time between watering to establish deeper root growth.

Mowing

- Initial mowing should take place 2-3 weeks after installation.
- Mow at an angle across seams, at the highest setting. Bag the clippings. Water after initial mowing.
- After 30 days, your lawn should be well rooted and ready to be maintained as an existing lawn.

Fertilizing

- The three most important elements for a healthy lawn are nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium. This is known as the N-P-K ratio on fertilizer bags.
- The First feeding should be between April 15th and May 1st, depending on the spring weather we have.
- **The Second** feeding should be applied around Memorial Day. This will keep your lawn green during hot summer months.
- **The Third** feeding should be ten days to two weeks on either side of Labor Day. This will get your lawn back in top shape from summer months.
- **The Fourth** feeding is for winterizing, which is the most important fertilization of the year. This will ensure proper nutrients throughout the winter and into the spring, as your turf comes out of dormancy.

Questions?

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