

Summer
2009

Green Scene

Important Information:

We do not or have not for many years applied phosphorous to established lawns in any of our applications. There is no need to apply this nutrient unless the lawn is seeded or sod laid. Excessive phosphorous can leach into waterways with the movement of soil. Some lawn care companies still apply phosphorous today. With our 28 years of providing lawn care services, the products we use today are more environmentally friendly and we stay informed on new techniques and products through ISU and Professional Lawn and Landscape Associations. Please call if you have any questions or comments.

Thank You
Les Wilshusen

Drill seeding

Drill seeding, also known as slit seeding is the best way to seed lawns because you can get up to 90% seed germination. Seeding is best done in mid August thru mid September. Dormant seeding in late October or November also works well if there is a snow cover most of the winter.

Give us a call for a free estimate.

Today Your Lawn Was Treated With:

Granular fertilizer (50% slow release nitrogen) and sulfate of potash. This product will not work until it is watered into the ground. It can lay on the ground from one day to one month and will not harm anything or burn the grass. If your lawn is dormant at the time of this application, it will green-up quicker and healthier this fall because of this treatment. We spot treated any broadleaf weeds that are present. This time of the year it is not uncommon for weeds to take up to a month to die from this application, because of the heat. If there is any break through of crabgrass, goose grass or fox-tail in your lawn, we also treated them.

Key Points for Summer Lawn

Mowing

Mowing affects all aspects of your lawn quality. If your lawn is mowed improperly it can have a large effect on the density, texture, color, uniformity, and over all smoothness of your lawn. So when its time to get out and mow keep the following tips in mind. Always make sure that the blade on your lawn mower is sharp. The blade should be set at 3" high until mid September.

You should not catch the grass clippings in order to allow the nutrients to return into the soil.

This is also good for the environment. If you have any questions you can visit our website www.mikeslawnservice.com or call the office at

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