

Community Fall Newsletter

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Top 5 Fall Lawn Care Tips

Aerate for lawn health. Aerating your lawn to loosen the soil after a summer of heat and use is a good idea for fall. Aeration punches holes in your lawn, allowing water, fertilizer, and nutrients to reach deeper toward a lawn's roots.

Fertilize your way through fall. Fall is a great time to fertilize, offering your lawn the nitrogen it needs for healthy growth. Some fertilizer can do double duty and help fight weeds: these are called "weed-and-feed" fertilizers. You also want to fertilize well before fall ends and cold temperatures make your lawn go "dormant" and take a rest for the year.

Hate raking? Mulch instead. If raking isn't your favorite fall chore, put these fallen friends to work. You can turn your leaves into mulch and spread them right across your lawn using a "materials collection system" attachment with your mower, available at your hardware store. You can trim your lawn and turn your leaves to mulch in the same forward motion.

Reseed to fix patches before the cold. Reseeding is a great fall practice, before the winter comes and cold temperatures and ice or snow settle in. Using a fast-growing grass like ryegrass is a common choice, to restore patches before winter sets in. You can also hire a contractor or landscaping service to perform "power seeding," for more serious patching and restoring.

Evict unwanted residents. Fall is a good time to take care of pesky pests like weeds, dandelions, bugs, and grubs. Break out the herbicides, organic weed killer, and pesticides to help keep your lawn free and clear before the cold sets in.

You should always continue the basics, like mowing and edging.

Pressure Washing

Get the green mold of your siding this fall and power wash your home. The Georgia Water Stewardship Act went into effect statewide on June 2, 2010. It allows daily outdoor watering for purposes of planting, growing, managing or maintaining ground cover, trees, shrubs or other plants only between the hours of 4:00p.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Outdoor water use for any purposes other than watering of plants, such as power washing or washing cars, is still restricted to the current odd/even watering schedule.

- ✓ Odd-numbered addresses can water on Tuesday, Thursdays and Sundays.
- ✓ Even-numbered and unnumbered addresses are allowed to water on Monday, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

If you have questions about outdoor water uses in your area please contact your local water provider.

Parking

Please refrain from parking on the street, or next to islands or your neighbor's mailbox. You may not impede traffic flow and must ensure that Emergency Vehicles have access. Be considerate and park in your driveway or garage.

Pets

Mind your pets and be considerate of your neighbor's property. Make sure your pet is on a leash and clean up after your pet. Your neighbors will appreciate your consideration.

Your community and L.S. Management & Associates, Inc. are working closely with your local Code Enforcement, Animal Control and Local Law Enforcement to maintain your community. Everyone's consideration and cooperation is greatly appreciated and you will be proud of the community you call home.