Bermuda Home Lawn Care

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BERMUDAGRASS MAINTENANCE CALENDAR

ACTIVITY	Jan	Feb	March	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Establish or Renovate				Х	XXXX	XX						
Dethatching		X	XXXX	XX								
Mowing			1.5"	1.5"	2"	2.5"	2.5"	2.5"	2.5"	2.5"		
Fertilization - Quick Release					F	F	F	F	F			
Fertilization - Slow Release				F		F		F				
Watering			.5"/wk	.5"/wk	1"/wk	1"/wk	1"/wk	1"/wk	1"/wk	.5"/wk	.5"/wk	
Weed Control - Preemergent			X	X				XX	XX			
Weed Control - Postemergent	Round	up				bgrass adleaf	& Nut	Sedge-	— Dande	lion		
Insect Control								X				
Aerification			XX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XX					

Note: X = Best time frame for indicated activity.

Watering—Number equals water needed on a weekly basis. Mowing—Number listed is the cutting height for each mowing.

ESTABLISHMENT

Sprig: 3-10 bushels/1000 sq. ft.

Seed: 2 pounds/1000 sq ft.

CULTIVARS

Fine: Midlawn, Sunturf,
Riviera, Tifway, Tifgreen
Medium: U-3, Midfield
Coarse: Arizona Common,
Guymon

DETHATCHING

Remove thatch greater than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick with vertical mower.



MOWING

Remove no more than ¹/₃ of the leaf blade at any one time. Recycle grass clippings by removing the catcher or using a mulching mower.

WATERING

Apply enough water to wet the soil 6 inches deep. Water grass when footprint impressions remain after walking over lawn.

FERTILIZING

- Soil test every 3 years
- Quick-release fertilizer:
 Apply 1 lb. of actual nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. five times a year
- Slow release fertilizer:
 Apply 2 ²/₃ lbs. of actual nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. three times a year.

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WEED CONTROL

Dormant Bermudagrass Postemergent Control—January to February 10

Glyphosate (ROUNDUP®, ROUNDUP PRO®, KLEERAWAY®, KILLSALL®, GLYFOS®)

Preemergent Crabgrass Control—February 20 to March 5

Benefin (BALAN®)

Benefin + trifluralin (TEAM 2G®, FIRST DOWN®)

Bensulide (BETASAN®, SCOTT'S WEEDGRASS PREVENTER®, LESCOSAN®)

Dithiopyr (DIMENSION®) - pre and post emergent activity

Pendamethalin (SCOTT'S HALTS®)

Oryzalin (SURFLAN®) - best for sandbur control, added to fertilizer

Oryzalin + benefin (XL 2G®, AMAZE®)

Prodiamine (BARRICADE®) - added to fertilizer

Preemergent Broadleaf Control—August 15 to September 15

Isoxaen (PORTRAIT®) - fall use to prevent winter broadleaf weeds

Postemergent Grass Control

MSMA—use when daytime temperatures above 80°F

DSMA—use when daytime temperatures above 80°F

CAMA (ORTHO CRABGRASS KILLER®) - use when daytime temperatures above 80°F

Postemergent Broadleaf Control

2,4-D +MCPP (WEED-B-GON®)

2,4-D + MCPP + dicamba (TRIMEC®, CHICKWEED KILLER®)

Postemergent Sedge Control

Halosulfuron-methyl (SEDGEHAMMER®) - may yellow bermuda

Imazaquin (IMAGE®) - may yellow bermuda, foliar and soil activity

MSMA (MSMA®, CRABGRASS KILLER®) - use when daytime temperatures above 80°F

Bentazon (BASAGRAN®) -yellow nutsedge only

Glass Killer for Edging

Glyphosate (ROUNDUP®, ROUNDUP PRO®, KLEERAWAY®, KILLZALL®, GLYFOS®)

Glufosinate-ammonium (FINALE®)

Fluazifop-butyl (GRASS-B-GON®, OVER-THE-TOP WEED & GRASS KILLER®)

Sethoxydim (POAST®)

Cacodylic acid (LIQUID EDGER®, PHYTAR®)

GRUB CONTROL

Bayer Advanced Lawn®, Mach 2 G®, Merit 2® (applications of Merit may be most effective if applied in early to mid-July), Ortho's Grub-B-Gon®, Sevin®, Scott's Grubx®

FLEA and TICK CONTROL

DeltaGard G®, Malathion®, Sevin 50% WP®

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