

SPRING (April)

- WHEN: Soil temp is 55° F. (Forsythia bushes begin to bloom). Timing varies area to area (usually Early to Mid-April on the Cape). *Consult your town's regulations on fertilizer application.*
- RAKE to remove excessive leaf/branch debris, and dead grass. Allows air and sun to re-invigorate grass.
- FERTILIZE AND PREVENT WEEDS: Fertilizer with crabgrass control (labeled Step or Stage One by Agway or Scotts). This greens the lawn up and gives the roots an energy shot. It also prevents *any seed* from germinating for a period of 60-90 days. This means you will not be able to re-seed that area of your lawn for at least 2 months (there is, however, a new-seeding option by Scotts and Agway that will act as a starter fertilizer and selective weed preventer that will allow grass seed to germinate but will still prevent weeds from germinating). Water in well.
- LIME: Apply pelletized Lime. At 40lbs per 1,000 square feet. Or use Fast-Acting Lime, a 25 lb bag covers approx. 5,000 square feet.
- GRUBS: (Optional) Use Bayer 24-hour grub control (early spring or late fall) to stop the grub cycle if you have grubs. Water in well.
- SPOT CONTROL WEEDS: Spot-treat early weeds with Bonide Weed Beater Ultra (cool weather lawn weed killer). Ready to Use spray. Needs sunny weather to work well.
- EARLY MAY: Aerate if thatch is heavy or soil is compacted.
**Helps control moss

LATE SPRING (mid-June)

- FUNGUS CONTROL Application: Before we get warm & humid weather (usually mid to late May) use Scotts or Bayer Fungicide to prevent common lawn diseases such as Red Thread, Brown Spot, and Summer Patch. Apply every 6 to 8 weeks for season-long prevention.

PRODUCTS WE RECOMMEND



Stage 1

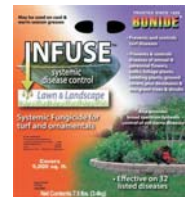
Step 1 for seeding



Fast Acting Lime



Moss Control



Systemic Turf Fungicide



24-Hour Grub Killer

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JUNE (Continued)

- **FERTILIZER Application:** 6 to 8 weeks after first fertilizer application. (Early to mid-June)
Several Options:
 - Apply regular fertilizer (Agway Organic Lawn Food, Agway Greenlawn, Scotts Super Turf Builder).
 - Fertilizer + Weed: Apply Agway or Scotts Step 2 for broadleaf weed control and a good green-up. Apply to wet lawn and weather must be warm and sunny for two days after application.
 - Second application of Stage 1 fertilizer with crabgrass preventer to continue weed prevention.
- **WEED CONTROL - Apply as-needed:** For lawn weed control without using fertilizer we recommend Bayer All-in-One Weed killer for lawns, Agway Lawn Weed Killer, or Ortho Weed-B-Gon Max plus crabgrass. The hose-end spray is easiest. Attach it to your hose on a sunny afternoon (not mid-day. Too hot!) when the weather forecasts for sunny warm weather for the next day or two. Spray the entire lawn. Kills the weeds, not the grass.

MID-SUMMER (Mid-July thru August)

- **GRUB application:** Bayer Season Long Grub Control or Scotts GrubEx.
- **FERTILIZER Application:** August: Your 3rd application of fertilizer – Step 3. Or, Agway Greenlawn plus weed control, Scotts Super Turf Builder Plus 2 Weed Control,
- **INSECT Application:** Control ticks and common insects with Ant, Flea & Tick Granules

FALL

- **FALL GREEN-UP:** September-October. Fall Fertilizer with or without weed control. Or the Step/Stage 4 by Scotts or Agway.
- **MAINTAIN SOIL:** Rake; dethatch; kill weed patches; over-seed thin spots. Top dress with organic compost if needed. **LIME:** Helps continuous absorption of nutrients
- **WINTERIZE:** Apply winterizer fertilizer to help strengthen your lawn's root system and protect it from winter conditions. Apply after the last mow of the season, usually around Thanksgiving, if not a bit earlier.



Agway 4-Stage Program



Season Long Grub Control



Wear Green Grass Seed



Weed Beater Ultra

Lawn Weed & Crabgrass Killer



Espoma 4 Season Lawn Program