

WINTERIZING

— *Your Lawn, Landscape and Equipment* —

Schedule a Spring-Green Winterizer visit

Even though the temperatures are dropping, your lawn's root system continues to grow. Applying the proper amount of fertilizer will help your lawn improve root growth and build up its strength to endure the upcoming winter months. A late season fertilization will be stored by the root system to provide for a quicker green-up the following spring. There may still be a few weeds that can be controlled at this time of year too.



WINTERIZE THE LAWN MOWER

Fall is a good time to clean up your mower to get it ready for next year. If you never got around to doing so this summer, it is a good idea to take the time now. Treat the gas with a fuel stabilizer when it's time to refill the gas can. If you are going to add it into the gas tank on your mower, be sure to start your mower to circulate the treated gas throughout the engine. It is also a good time to change the oil and complete any other standard maintenance tasks that your mower requires.



DON'T NEGLECT OTHER LAWN EQUIPMENT

Gas-powered equipment, such as line trimmers or blowers should also be cleaned and stored for winter. Most have 2-stroke engines that require the oil to be mixed with gasoline. Also treat the gas with a fuel stabilizer and replace the spark plugs.



WINTERIZE YOUR GARDEN HAND TOOLS

Shovels, trowels, garden hoses and such should be cleaned off before you store them for the winter. Use a wire brush to remove caked-on soil and rust and then wipe them down with some motor oil to keep them from rusting again. Unless the handle was varnished, it is also a good idea to smooth off any rough spots with sandpaper and wipe them with some linseed oil. This will help prevent the wood from drying out and splitting.



GET YOUR SNOW BLOWER READY

If you live in an area that receives snow, was your snow blower serviced before it was put away last spring? It is better to do it now than wait until you have your first snowfall before attempting to start it. You should also check the condition of your snow shovels. Do they need any repair or replacement?



MARK YOUR LAWN

Ever lose track of where the grass starts along your driveway and sidewalk? Adding markers to the edge of your lawn allow you to see where you should be shoveling or running your snow blower to avoid harm. Adding reflective markers along the street line of your property, steer plows away from your lawn.

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