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Lawn Maintenance Schedule For Zoysia & Bermuda *Updated January 2010*

Early January (New Years) ----- **Hi-Yield** Pre-emerge with Dimension (Green & Red)
Early April (April Fool's) ----- **fertilome** All Seasons with Barricade (Red & Yellow)
Mid May (Mother's Day) ----- **fertilome** Lawnfood plus Iron (Orange Bag)
Early July (4th of July) ----- **fertilome** Lawnfood plus Iron (Orange Bag)
Early September (Labor Day) ----- **fertilome** All Seasons with Barricade (Red & Yellow)
Late October (Halloween) ----- **Hi-Yield** Pre-merge with Dimension (Green & Red)

- Pre-emergents are designed to interfere with weeds before you see them and are ineffective against anything you can see. The pre-emergents we recommend remain effective for 10 to 12 weeks and should be watered in within a week of application. Your best defense of weeds is *before* you see them.
- Post-emergents are effective in attacking the weeds that are already actively growing. You can purchase them in a granular form but we recommend using liquids applied through a pump or hose end sprayer. Usually most effective when weather is between 60 – 85 degrees. Extreme temperatures pose the risk of burning the desirable grass.
- If you have visible weeds spring through fall we recommend using **Bayer Lawn Weed & Crabgrass Killer**. You can buy it either in a liquid concentrate or a ready to spray.
- If you have visible weeds during late fall and winter we recommend using **Fertilome Weed-Free Zone**.
- High nitrogen fertilizers are only effective when the lawn is actively growing (April-Sept.).
- Lime can generally be applied any time of year and serves to neutralize pH and to build soil structure. 10 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. is a good rule of thumb.
- For the sake of the environment (& your time and money) we urge our customer to treat for insect and disease as those problems present themselves, as opposed to preventively.
- It is very useful to determine an accurate estimation of your lawns square footage by measuring the length and the width in feet and multiplying those numbers together for the total square footage.
- We recommend getting your soil tested every 2 or 3 years and we can supply you with the soil test pamphlets to get you going.
- Keep in mind that all grasses prefer at least 6 hours of direct sun and will need around one inch of water a week during the summer months.
- In the event of extreme drought, understand that your established lawn can turn a dormant color of straw, this although not pretty is a recoverable condition with rain.
- We feel these 6 applications together with spot spraying for emerging weeds will give you a beautiful lawn!