



Sod Installation

After-Care Instructions

Proper aftercare is essential to ensure your newly installed sod establishes healthy roots and thrives in your yard. Follow these steps to help your sod settle in and grow strong.

Watering Your New Sod

Daily Watering (First 2 Weeks)

- Water your sod every day for the first two weeks.
- Keep the soil consistently moist, but not soggy. The goal is to prevent the sod from drying out while ensuring it doesn't sit in standing water.

Watering After Two Weeks

- After the first two weeks, reduce watering frequency to every 2-3 days, but water deeply (1-2 inches) to encourage root growth.
- Watering should be done early in the morning or late in the evening to prevent evaporation during peak sunlight hours.

Avoid Foot Traffic

- Try to avoid walking or placing heavy objects on your new sod until the roots have had time to establish, which usually takes 2-3 weeks.
- Light foot traffic is acceptable, but refrain from having heavy gatherings or placing furniture on the lawn.

Fertilizing Your Lawn

- Fertilize your sod about 4 to 6 weeks after installation.
- Use a balanced fertilizer with a higher nitrogen content to promote healthy, green growth.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully to avoid over-fertilizing, which can burn the grass.
- After the first few months, switch to a slow-release fertilizer that will feed the grass over a longer period.
- Continue fertilizing every 6-8 weeks during the growing season for the best results.

When to Mow

- Do not mow your new sod until the roots have established (about 4 weeks after installation).
- When the sod is firmly rooted and has started growing, mow the grass when it reaches about 3 inches in height.

Check for Pests and Disease

- Keep an eye on your sod for any signs of pests (such as grubs) or disease.
- If you notice discoloration, spots, or other unusual growth, take immediate action to treat the problem.

Weeding

- Regularly inspect your sod for weeds.
- Remove any weeds by hand or use a weed killer suitable for new lawns, but be sure to follow the instructions to prevent harming the grass.