

TURF-TYPE TALL FESCUE LAWN CALENDAR

MOWING HEIGHT:

2"-3" ; raise 1/2" higher during dry periods.
Remove no more than 1/3 total height at one time.

WATER:

1 inch per week if no rainfall.

FERTILIZATION:

Use any turf fertilizer. Follow label rate.

IDEAL pH RANGE: 5.5-6.5

Use dolomitic lime per soil test recommendation.
Can be applied at any time.

AERATION:

Use a core aerator during active growth season.

DETHATCH: Generally not necessary.

SEEDING - NEW LAWN:

5 - 8 lb. of seed per 1000 sq. feet.

OVERSEEDING - ESTABLISHED LAWN:

3 - 5 lb. seed per 1000 sq. feet

SODDING

Fescue sod is not available in all months of the year.

WEED CONTROL:

Read product label carefully to determine which weeds are controlled and on which grasses the product can be used.

Spring pre-emergent* (prevents crabgrass, goosegrass and other summer weed seeds from sprouting)

Broadleaf post-emergent* (spot spray to kill broadleaved plants like chickweed, wild violet, dandelion, wild onion, etc)

Grassy weed post-emergent* (kills grassy weeds like crabgrass, dallisgrass, etc. Do not apply to drought-stressed fescue.)

Winter pre-emergent* (prevents chickweed and other winter weed seeds from sprouting)

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
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* Read weed control product labels carefully. Some products can not be applied to lawns that will be seeded within a few weeks. Do not apply herbicides to newly sprouted fescue until it has been mowed four times.