



Newly Installed Sod

Watering:

The period from placement to rooting to the soil is very critical. Water thoroughly and as frequently as necessary to maintain moist conditions. Check on moisture condition by lifting corners of sod pieces. Usually within a week, the roots will show signs of knitting to the soil.

After the sod knits to the soil, change to an infrequent but thorough watering program. A thorough wetting of the soil to a depth of 6 inches once every 5 to 10 days during drought periods generally is adequate for most soils.

Mowing:

Begin mowing as soon as top growth shows need for mowing (when grows to a height of about 3 to 4 inches). Mow as frequently as necessary to keep top growth within twice the height of mowing. Set mower to cut no closer than 2". Keep mower sharp and properly adjusted at all times.

Fertilizing:

The newly sodded lawn will be adequately provided with nutrients for at least 6 weeks after placement. When it begins to show evidence of loss of green color and growth, it usually is indicative of a need for feeding providing soil moisture is adequate.