



Sod Installation and Aftercare

Sod Preparation & Installation

Preparing the Soil

1. Clean the area of debris.
2. Grade area to desired contours.
3. Four inches of top soil should be available- if not it should be added.
4. Use a roto-tiller to prepare the soil to a depth of four inches.
5. Test your soil, and fertilize and lime the area if necessary.
6. Rake to a smooth, even surface and you are ready!

Installing the Sod

1. Have the ground completely prepared before ordering your sod.
2. If you are not going to lay the sod within twenty-four hours, stack it in the shade and keep watered.
3. With a water roller, hand tamper, or other device, immediately press the sod into contact with the sod bed by tamping or rolling, to eliminate air pockets and to provide a true, even surface.

Sod Aftercare

Watering

1. New sod should be watered thoroughly during establishment. If you are uncertain on how much water to apply, lift up the corner of a piece of sod and check the soil underneath. It should be moist, but no puddles should form.
2. Continue to water your sod until the roots have adhered to the soil beneath it (give a light tug to the corner of a piece of sod; it should not come up easily). Once the sod is established, water only as necessary.

Mowing

1. You may begin to mow your lawn once it has reached a height of approximately 5"- 6". Adjust your lawnmower's blade height so that it will cut 1/3 of the height of the grass (leaving your grass at a height of approximately 3"- 4" when mowing is complete).
2. After mowing your new lawn twice, future mowing may be completed at the height that is most fit for your variety of grass.

Disclaimer

There is no guarantee or warranty on sod, whether you install it or we do. Routine upkeep is necessary for sustaining sod and preventing weeds; ask about our maintenance services.

