CENTIPEDEGRASS LAWN CALENDAR

B Best month P Possible Month M Marginal month

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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MOWING HEIGHT:
1" - 1 1/2 " This is THE most important practice for a healthy centipedegrass lawn.

WATER:
1 inch per week if no rainfall

FERTILIZATION:
Use centipede fertilizer twice per year.
Follow label rate. Wait to fertilize until 100% green.

IDEAL pH RANGE: 5.0- 6.5
Lime is rarely needed.

AERATION:
Use a core aerator during active growth season.

DETHATCH: If thatch exceeds .5 inch deep use a vertical mower with blades 1" apart and go over lawn only once. Topdressing with .25" soil is most effective.

SEEDING - NEW LAWN:
1/4 - 1.0 lb. per 1000 square feet

OVERSEEDING - ESTABLISHED LAWN:
Overseeding centipede with ryegrass is not recommended.

SODDING
500 sq. ft. per pallet typical

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 broadleaf 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 Centipede.)

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

***Read the product label carefully. Some of the products can not be applied to lawns that will be seeded in the next few weeks or when transitioning to active growth.** March, 2006