

# ZOYSIAGRASS LAWN CALENDAR

## **Mowing Height:**

1 - 2" raise 0.5" higher in hot weather. Remove no more than  $\frac{1}{3}$  total height at one time.

#### Water:

1" per week if no rainfall.

# Fertilization: 2 - 3 lbs. N/1000 ft<sup>2</sup>/YR

Follow fertilizer recommendations on soil test report. If the soil was not tested, use any turf fertilizer and follow label rates.

In the spring, do not apply nitrogen containing fertilizers until the soil temperature at the 4" depth is constantly 65°F and rising.

# **Ideal pH Range: 6.0 – 7.0**

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

#### **Aeration:**

Use a core aerator during active growth season.

**Dethatch:** If thatch exceeds 0.5" deep use a vertical mower with blades 1" apart; go over the lawn two directions. Top dressing with 0.25" of soil is most effective

## **Seeding – New Lawn\*:**

1 - 2 lb per 1,000ft<sup>2</sup>.

# Overseeding – Established Lawns\*:

Overseeding zoysiagrass with ryegrass is not recommended.

## **Sodding:**

500 ft<sup>2</sup> 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 preemergence\*** prevents crabgrass, goosegrass and other summer weed seeds from sprouting.

**Broadleaf postemergence\*** spot spray to kill broadleaf plants like chickweed, wild violet, dandelion, wild onion, etc.

Grassy weed postemergence\* kills grassy weeds like crabgrass, dallisgrass, etc. Do not apply to drought-stressed zoysiagrass.

Winter preemergence\* prevents chickweed and other winter weed seeds from sprouting.

| B Best Month |            |            | P Possible Month |     |     | Month | M   | M Marginal Month |            |            |            |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------------|-----|-----|-------|-----|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Jan          | Feb        | Mar        | Apr              | May | Jun | Jul   | Aug | Sep              | Oct        | Nov        | Dec        |
|              |            |            | OK               | OK  | OK  | OK    | OK  | OK               | OK         |            |            |
| New<br>sod   | New<br>sod | New<br>sod | OK               | OK  | OK  | OK    | OK  | OK               | New<br>sod | New<br>sod | New<br>sod |
|              |            |            | Р                | B   | В   | В     | B   | Р                |            |            |            |
| В            | В          | В          | Р                | P   | Р   | Р     | P   | Р                | P          | В          | В          |
|              |            |            |                  | В   | В   | В     | В   | P                |            |            |            |
|              |            |            |                  | P   | В   | В     | P   |                  |            |            |            |
|              |            |            |                  | В   | В   | P     |     |                  |            |            |            |
|              |            |            |                  |     |     |       |     |                  |            |            |            |
| М            | M          | M          | P                | В   | В   | B     | В   | P                | M          | M          | M          |
|              |            |            |                  |     |     |       |     |                  |            |            |            |
|              | В          | В          | P                |     |     |       |     |                  |            |            |            |
| OK           | OK         | OK         | OK               | OK  | OK  | OK    | OK  | OK               | OK         | OK         | OK         |
|              |            |            |                  | В   | В   | В     | В   | Р                |            |            |            |
|              |            |            |                  |     |     |       |     | В                | P          |            |            |

<sup>\*</sup> Read weed control product labels carefully. Some products cannot be applied to lawns that will be seeded within a few weeks or when transitioning to active growth.