

BERMUDAGRASS

## NEW SOD WATERING

Day 1 to 4, water twice a day Day 5 to 14, water once a day

Week 3, water once every 2 to 3 days Week 4, water once every 3 to 7 days

Sprinkler Head Run Times

-Run spray heads, 5 to 7 minutes -Run rotors heads, 10 to 15 minutes -Run high-efficiency rotary nozzles

15 to 20 minutes

### WATERING

Water every 3 to 7 days. Sprinkler head run times above are a good starting point. Use the supplemental irrigation chart to adjust for each month. Example, June's irrigation requirement is 2.25". Divide by 4 and you need to apply .56" water per week. Water twice a week and apply .28" of water each run time.

## FIRST MOWING

Mow at 1" after 7 to 10 days when dry. This will even out the grass. Don't worry if you scalp. It will grow back quickly and more uniform.

### **MOWING**

Mow every 7 to 14 days at 2" for a traditional yard. Mow more frequently if shorter. Mow less or not at all for a natural look. Mow 1/2" to 4".

#### **FERTILIZATION**

Fertilize 3 times a year in May, July and August. Apply 1 lbs of nitrogen per application. Use organic fertilizer any time.

# AERATION & THATCHING

Aerate once a year to reduce compaction in the summer. De-thatch any time grass is growing. This will reduce density and even out the height.

# Save Water One Lawn at a Time

### WATER REQUIREMENTS

10" to 12" supplemental

Irrigation per year

April .5" May 1"

June 2.25"
July 2.25"
August 2.25"
September 2"
October 1"

Total 11.25"

### **SPRING WAKE UP**

In April, mow, power rake, verticut or any combo to open up the grass and increase the ground temperature. This will help with spring green up.

### **TURF DYE AND PIGMENT**

Spray on green turf dye or turf pigment any time grass is dormant or straw color for a green appearance. This will help warm up the grass in spring, March, or April and extend color into late fall and winter.

### **DORMANCY**

When Tahoma 31 is dormant or straw-colored, relax and let it go. It does not need any water, fertilizer or care. It also handles traffic all winter long.



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