

Poudre Valley



Tips for seeding & renovation

Establishing a new turf area:

- Control existing weeds with a non-selective herbicide.
- Till the soil to a depth of 4" to 6". Incorporate organic material if the soil is sandy or has heavy clay. (*Straw Net Pelletized Straw Mulch*)
- Remove large stones and debris and rake smooth.
- For best results, conduct a soil test to determine if the soil pH or fertility needs to be adjusted. Add lime, sulfur, or basic fertilizer to correct imbalances.
- Apply *Green N Grow Fertilizer* at 1 to 2 lb of actual nitrogen per 1000 sq ft.
- Apply the seed with a drop or spinner spreader and gently rake it in to a depth of no more than ¼".
- Roll the surface with a weighted packer to improve seed-to-soil contact.
- Apply *Straw Net Pelletized Straw Mulch*.
- Keep the area constantly moist with frequent light applications of water until the seedlings are well established (3-4 weeks). After that, resume a normal watering schedule.
- Begin mowing shortly after the blades exceed the intended cutting height.
- Follow up with *Green N Grow Fertilizer* beginning at 3-4 weeks after emergence.

Overseeding an existing turf area with thin or bare spots:

- Start by mowing the existing turf as short as possible.
- Aerify or power rake the area to be seeded to bring soil to the surface.
- Rake away the thatch and lawn clippings.
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