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Lawn

Use a [PH tester](#) to check the PH of your lawn, Do this before the season starts. The Ph should be between 6.2-6.7.

Because of the mild winter East of the Mississippi, Grass roots grew to a great depth. Do not make the mistake and hurt those roots by applying, a short chained, urea based lawn fertilizer this spring, when you want to keep those root systems intact and healthy. Applications of short chained urea fertilizers, will give your lawn a surge of pale green top growth and a reduction of root development. Use the [Turf Trust fertilizer](#), early spring to keep the roots growing strong and to promote denser crown, stolons , and rhizomes. This strong root system, that the turf trust can help promote, will make your lawn more drought resistant this summer.

Also do not use any combination fertilizers on the lawn. They do not work as they are supposed to! The best time to feed the lawn (cool weather grasses) is early spring. All of the energy will go to the roots, crown, stolons , and rhizomes. But remember it may be to early to kill any of the lawn weeds until the temps are above 60 degrees for three or more days. The weed killers work best in temp ranges of 60-85 degrees. Remember now it is also to early to apply the crabgrass preventer . And there are no insects in the lawn yet, so no insects need to be controlled.

Conclusion: Only fertilizer will work in early spring, so there is no use in applying a combination fertilizer in early spring. And if you use a combination weed and feed or combination fertilizer & preventer later to kill weeds or prevent and kill insects. You will be applying an excess of fertilizer. Which creates an excess of upright surge growth and makes the grass susceptible to diseases and drought stress.

Also for the early spring, choose to not use organic fertilizers. The temperatures are to cold for them to properly work. They do best in the summer when temps are warmer.

If you have a lawn service you can also purchase Turf Trust or other products that you want used on your lawn and have them apply it. Do not let them apply anything they want. (they will use a short chained urea) This can cause root damage and surge growth with chance of leaf spot disease.

This is the last week to take advantage of the early5 discount code from www.roozensonline.com this will give you 5% off your order.