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#### Tall Fescue lawns:

- When seeding bald spots in your lawn with tall fescue, do not use more than 6-7lbs of seed per 1000 square feet. Use regenerating tall fescue grass seed, like [Water Saver with RTF](#). RTF tall fescue can repair itself.
- Thin areas of the lawn can be seeded as follows: for every 10% of grass missing use 0.7 lbs of seed per 1000 square feet (i.e. if your lawn is 80% filled, missing 20% grass, use 1.4 lbs of grass per 1000 square feet)
- Do not sow grass seed in an area where the average grass density of 90% or higher.
- Do not use more grass seed on bald areas than is recommended per square foot.
- Watch the density count of the grass. Too much grass seed per square foot will cause new seedlings to grow up spindly and tall. The over crowded grass may develop a fungus called damping off and may die after two mowings. Even if the new over crowded grass survives this fall, it will not make it through next summer. It takes two years for a grass plant to grow to maturity.

#### Blue Grass:

- When seeding bald spots in your lawn with blue grass, use 2-3 lbs of seed per 1000 square foot.
- Prorate when over seeding. Replace the grass that is missing.
- When 50% of the grass is missing, use 1.75 lbs of blue grass seed per 1000 square feet.
- Sow bare spots by hand, and sow the remaining areas with an [Earth way spreader](#).
- In shade areas, use 50% of the recommended seed density that is recommended for sunny lawns.
- A typical 1 lb. bag of shade grass mix covers about 500-600 square feet of bare soil.
- Always cover grass seed with [Leaf grow](#) or Blue Ridge Super *compost*.

#### Lawn Insects:

- If you notice sod webworms or grubs, then apply [Dylox](#).

#### Weeds:

- Wild violet and creeping charlie can be killed in your lawn by using [Speed zone](#). Do not mow 3 days before or after an application of [Speed zone](#). Make 2 [Speed zone](#) applications 5 days apart in the evening when there is no rain in the forecast. Wait 2 weeks after the last application of [Speed zone](#) before planting grass seed. Follow the label for instructions on how to apply the [Speed zone](#).
- Do **not** use a *Weed and Feed* to kill weeds!
- After using [Bonide Crabgrass Killer](#), wait four weeks before sowing grass.

Remember to read about the fall renovation programs on the website. For the first mowing of your lawn after reseeding, make sure your blades are sharp.

#### Perennials:

- Peonies and crepe myrtle suffering from mildew can be treated with [Agri-fos](#). Repeat the treatment as needed.
- Locally grown mums can be planted now to replace burned out annuals.

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- Fall asters are also in season, but the fall aster does not bloom long and is prone to mildew.

Vegetables:

- Spinach, arugula, cress, coriander, and radish seeds can be planted now for a fall harvest.  
Plant these seeds in a full sun location.