Tall Fescue lawns:
- When seeding bald spots in your lawn with tall fescue, do not use more than 6-7 lbs 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 lawns:
- When seeding bald spots in your lawn with HGT 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 HGT blue grass seed per 1000 square feet.

Shade Lawns:
- Sow bare spots by hand, and sow the remaining areas with an Earthway spreader.
- In shade areas, use 50% of the recommended seed density that is recommended for sunny lawns.
- A typical 1 lb. bag of Roozen’s shade grass mix covers about 400-500 square feet of bare soil.
- Always cover grass seed with Leaf grow or compost.

Types of seed to use:
- In the sun, use Water Saver RTF.
  If your lawn consists of Blue grass, use HGT bluegrass seed when repairing in sunny areas. Blue grass commonly is grown in northern areas.
  In the shade use Roozen’s shade mix grass seed.

Seeding
Bald spots should be raked, and then sow these areas by hand. Use no more than 6 pounds per 1,000 square feet when the ground is completely bare when using RTF Water saver grass seed. Cover seeds with Leaf grow or Compost. The rest of the lawn you can sow using an Earthway spreader on a low setting. If a large area needs to be reseeded, use a Hollow tine aerator. Aerate and reseed the entire lawn. Touch-up bald spots with extra seed and cover these areas with Leaf grow or Compost.

Bluegrass needs to be detached every other year. When your bluegrass is three years old or older reseed after detaching with HGT bluegrass seed 1 pound/1000
square feet. Cover the seeds in bald spots. And water daily. After reseeding, feed the entire lawn with *Turf Trust* using setting 12 on your *Earthway spreader*.

During the renovating process, if you see grubs, use *Dylox* to kill the grubs. If the above steps are too much, buy the recommend seed listed above and turf trust for your application and have your lawn person apply these products properly. Print the appropriate lawn schedule for your lawn keeper. After the seed has germinated, apply *Kick Start* to help promote a healthy root system.

**Weeds:**

* Wild violet and creeping charlie can be killed in your lawn by using Monterey spurge power. Do not mow 3 days before or after an application of Monterey spurge power. Make 2 Monterey spurge power. applications 5 days apart in the evening when there is no rain in the forecast. Wait 2 weeks after the last application of Monterey spurge power. before planting grass seed. Follow the label for instructions on how to apply the Monterey spurge power.

* Do **not** use a *Weed and Feed* to kill weeds!

* After using *Bonide Crabgrass Killer*, wait four weeks before sowing grass.

To be mosquito free for labor day apply Summit Mosquito and Gnat barrier spray in the evening this week.