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Mosquito:

- To be free of mosquitos at your party or cookout, apply *Summit Mosquito and Gnat Barrier Spray* in the evening, the day before the event, when mosquitos are most active.
- For last minute mosquito solutions if *Summit Mosquito and Gnat Barrier Spray* was not applied, use *Bonide Mosquito Beater Area Mosquito Repellant*. A 1.3 lbs container will treat up to 4,000 sq. ft..
- Mosquitos can be prevented from breeding on your property by using *Summit Mosquito Dunks*. This is a biological mosquito control. The active ingredient "BT" will kill mosquitos before the mosquito is old enough to bite. Place the *Dunks* in standing water. i.e. flower pots, tree holes, bird baths, rain barrels, roof gutters, old tires, unused swimming pools, and animal watering troughs. *Summit Dunks* can also be used in fish habitats.
- Plant scented geraniums "citronella mosquito plant" in a garden or container near or on a patio or deck to help repel mosquitos. Touch the mosquito citronella plant, and the plant will release a strong, fresh, citronella scent.

Trees & Shrubs:

- Inspect your evergreens for bagworms soon (now for the mid-Atlantic region and in 7-14 days for areas north of the Mid-Atlantic regions) if you had bagworms in your arborvitae or juniper shrubs last year. When you find bag worms and they are young, apply *Dipel*, but if the bagworms are bigger, use *Bondie Systemic Insect Control*. If there are only a few bagworms on your plants, you can handpick the bagworms off the plant.
- When your euonymus is suffering from mildew, then trim the euonymus back and feed with *Plant Trust*. The plant will outgrow the mildew problem.
- Euonymus scale is more serious. Use *Bonide systemic insect control* to eradicate this pest. You will know that your plant has euonymus scale because the leaves and branches will look like they are covered with dandruff. This needs to be treated because the euonymus scale can kill the euonymus.
- Cedar apple rust spots are now visible on apple and crab apple leaves. These trees should have been sprayed with *Monterey Liqui-Cop* before they broke dormancy. Apply *Bonide Copper Fungicide* to slow this fungus down.
- Spruce, pine, and juniper turning brown from the inside out likely have spider mites. Treat as soon as possible with *Summit Year Round Spray Oil*. If these trees are not treated, they may die, especially Alberta Spruce. After spraying, make sure that the plants are well fed with *Plant Trust* if not already done.

Lawn:

- Now is the time to apply *Turf Trust* to zoysia lawns. Only one application is needed yearly, and now is the best time to apply.
- Cool weather grasses like tall fescue and blue grass are due for an early summer application of *Turf Trust*.

- Remember that a [Kick Start](#) application on your lawn now can help save money on your water bill because this product will help with your lawn's root system so that it will need less frequent waterings.
- Lawns that are developing a pinkish - red spots 1-2 ft across suffer from red-thread disease. To fix this feed them extra with turf trust and make two applications of [Kick Start](#) ten days apart and the lawn will out grow the disease. If they do not outgrow the problem in a few weeks after then you can use [F-stop fungicide](#) Or Bonide Infuse.
- Do not over water you lawns if you are using a sprinkler system. Keep your lawns mowed to 3 inches this time of year.

Roses:

- Roses, including re-blooming shrub roses, that were not fed properly will soon develop mildew and black spot. If your rose plants were not fed with [Garden Trust](#) then feed as soon as possible. Repeat this fertilizer application at the end of August. Older, larger plants should be given 5 ozs of *Garden Trust*, but newly planted roses should only be given 3 ozs. Apply the *Garden Trust* around the stem, about 8-10" away from the stem.

Flowers and Vegetables:

- After you are finished planting annual flowers or vegetables, feed them only once with Garden Trust. If this fertilizer is used and these plants are planted in a flower or vegetable garden, then biweekly feedings of liquid fertilizer are not needed.
- Vegetable and flowers grown in containers should be fed with [Dramatic K](#) biweekly.

House Plants:

You can now bring indoor houseplant outdoors. Place them in partially shaded areas and feed them every three weeks with [Dramatic K](#).