

May 25, 2018

Mosquito:

- To be free of mosquitos at your party or cookout this Memorial day weekend, 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..

Lawn:

Yellow nutsedge is emerging in the lawn. Look for upright fast growing sedge like, pale colored grass with "V" shaped leaves. Use *Sedgehammer+* to eradicate it. One pouch will make 1 gallon of finished spray solution and it will cover about 1000 sqft.

- Cool weather grasses like tall fescue and blue grass are due for an early summer, application of *Turf Trust*.
- Now is the time to apply *Turf Trust* to zoysia lawns in the Mid Atlantic states.
- Remember that a *Kick Start* application on your lawn now and again in two weeks, 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.
- Due to the wet spring and cloudy weather, tall fescue lawns may be showing signs of dollar spot or Brown patch disease. Keep your lawn mowed at a height of 2.5 inches. To treat the brown patch or to prevent it make two applications of kick start two weeks apart. And make sure the lawn was fed with Turf Trust in May. In severe cases you may use *Ferti-lome F-stop fungicide*.

Zoysia lawns can be fed now with Turf Trust if they have turned fully green. With Turf Trust you will only need to feed Zoysia lawns once a season. Zoysia lawns should be cut low but no so low that the lawn is scalped.

Areas that received a lot of rain make another application of Turf Trust now.

- Zenith Zoysia seed can be sown now. Be sure to water the seed daily and keep the lawn mowed short. Remember also to cover the seeds in bare spots with a thin layer of leaf gro or compost.

White Grubs - A lawn fed with Turf Trust can tolerate 7-8 grubs per square foot, without being damaged. The grass roots will grow faster than the grubs can eat them. A lawn not fed or suffering from lack of water will show damage. White grubs can be killed with Bayer Dylox. Make sure that after you apply Dylox you water the lawn one inch worth of rain or apply Dylox before it rains.

Grubs , cutworm, billbugs, armyworms, and chafers can be prevented with an application on Natural Guard grub control.

Flowers and Vegetables:

- In East coast states from Washington D.C and north, use Sweet Peet brand Soilutions Organic soil conditioner to condition the soil of you planting beds and gardens before planting. Use 1 bag of Soilutions for every 25 sqft. This product is only available in North Eastern States currently.

- 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 [Drammatic K](#) biweekly. .
- Vinca minor, Salvia, Zinnia, and Melampodium are rarely eaten by deer and they are very drought resistant. After planting, make sure to feed them with garden trust, use 1.5 lb of Garn Trust for 100 sqft of bed area.
- To protect Squash from vine borers for the season, water squash plants with Monterey fruit tree and vegetable systemic soil drench insecticide after planting. Squash plants that are planted after July 4th will not need to be treated.