PERTH LAWN RENOVATION SERVICES

YOUR LAWN AFTERCARE GUIDE

Your lawn has just been renovated. What you do over the next three weeks decides how thick and green it comes back. Follow this guide and you will be mowing a better lawn within two to three weeks.

1 THE FIRST 3 WEEKS, WEEK BY WEEK

Recovery times vary with the weather and how healthy your lawn was to start with. This is the typical pattern after vertimowing, dethatching or coring.

DAYS 1 TO 3	**Water deeply, twice weekly on scheduled watering days.** Short bursts are not enough. Water early morning so the soil stays damp through the root zone. Keep off the lawn where you can.
DAYS 4 TO 7	**Do not panic at the look.** Short, scalped and bare is completely normal after dethatching. The runners are alive under the surface and pushing new growth.
WEEK 2	**Feed it.** Apply a quality lawn fertiliser and keep watering. This is when you will see fresh green shoots filling the gaps.
WEEKS 2 TO 3	**First mow.** Once the new growth is present, mow regularly to encourage lateral growth and thicken the sward. Remove no more than 1/3 of the leaf per mow.
WEEK 4 ONWARD	**Back to normal.** Return to your usual mowing height and schedule. Keep a wetting agent going through summer so water actually soaks into Perth's sandy soils.

2 DO AND DO NOT

DO

- Water deeply and consistently, especially the first week
- Apply fertiliser around week two
- Use a wetting agent on sandy or hydrophobic soil
- Mow regularly to encourage lateral growth and thicken the sward
- Check your reticulation is covering evenly

DO NOT

- Do not let the lawn dry out in the first fortnight
- Do not scalp new growth, remove no more than 1/3 per mow
- Do not park cars or stack materials on new growth
- Do not worry about the bare look, it fills in

Watering rule of thumb: deep cycle watering to push the roots down is the target. Push a screwdriver into the lawn. If it slides in easily, moisture is getting through. If it stops short, you need a longer run or a wetting agent.

3 THE AFTERCARE PROGRAM

A renovation opens the door. Aftercare is what keeps the lawn thick through summer. We supply the same products we use on our own jobs, so you are not guessing in a hardware aisle.

STEP 1

Lawn fertiliser
Balanced slow release feed for warm season turf. Apply around week two, then every 4 to 6 weeks through the growing season. Little and often is the rule of thumb.

STEP 2

Wetting agent
Breaks down the waxy layer in Perth's sandy soils so water soaks in instead of beading off. The single best value product for a WA lawn.

STEP 3

Soil conditioner and additives
Improves soil structure and moisture holding after coring, so roots go deeper and the lawn handles heat better.

STEP 4

Weed and pest control
Selective herbicide and insecticide for broadleaf weeds, wintergrass, lawn beetle and webworm. Apply seasonal pre-emergent herbicides, April for winter weeds and September for summer weeds.

OPTIONAL

Seasonal top up service
Prefer we handle it? We can schedule your feed, wetting agent and treatments so you never have to think about it.

4 YOUR SEASONAL CALENDAR

SPRING
Renovate, feed, wetting agent, soil additives, pre-emergent herbicide for summer weeds. Prime growing window in Perth.

SUMMER
Wetting agent monthly, feed lightly and often, mow high to shade the soil.

AUTUMN
Feed the lawn to prepare for winter, treat weeds with pre-emergent herbicide for winter weeds, last chance for a light scarify or renovation before mid April.

WINTER
Turn off reticulation, treat wintergrass, apply regular foliar fertiliser, plan your spring renovation.

NEED THE PRODUCTS OR A HAND?

Ask us about the aftercare program and we will put together exactly what your lawn needs, based on the renovation we just did.

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