



# Seasonal Reminders

As cooler weather sets in, you might notice your lawn losing a touch of its normal green color. Don't worry — this is perfectly normal and a sign that your grass is conserving its resources for the months ahead. As temperatures drop, grass slows its growth and focuses on strengthening its root system, which is crucial for staying healthy through the winter and bouncing back beautifully in the spring. Think of this phase as your lawn's way of preparing for its next lush cycle.

Winter is also a great time for a few reminders about your lawn and irrigation system.

## Timer Adjustments



Lawns are more susceptible to fungal infections during cool weather. To reduce this risk, make sure

to reduce excess moisture in your lawn. The best way to do this is to program your irrigation system to stop watering just before sunrise. As the sun rises, any excess water will be evaporated, thus reducing the chance of fungal growth.

## Freeze Preparedness

Though grass growth will slow in the cooler months, watering is still important to prevent your lawn from drying up—that is, until the temperature drops to 45°. In the event of a frost (when ice crystals form on grass blades), be sure to rinse off the grass for about 5 minutes per zone. If a freeze occurs, don't water at all.



## Year-Round Fertilization

Fertilization is crucial for a green lawn; but when grass color fades naturally in cool months, nutrients are still required for the less visible parts of your turf, like the root system. By focusing our fertilization program on this area,



Deans not only helps your lawn survive the winter, but ensures a healthy resurgence in spring.

If you're not using a company that fertilizes year-round, consider calling Deans. Not only will you get a well-rounded fertilization program, but you may be eligible for a Multi-Service discount on your current program as well.



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