

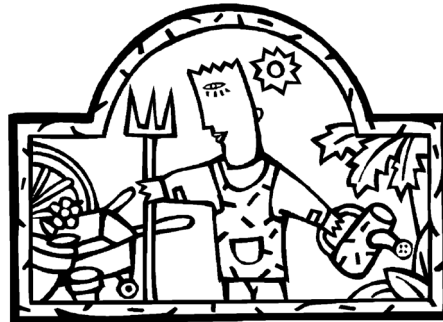
Lawn care by the season

Spring

- Apply fine-screened compost to the lawn. Rake to obtain an even layer.
- Mow, removing only one-third of the leaf blade at each mowing.
- Fertilize mid-April.
- Correct low places in the lawn by adding 1 ½ inches of sandy topsoil. Rake to allow the grass blades to be exposed.

Summer

- Maintain St. Augustine lawns at 3 to 3 ½ inches.
- Watch for chinch bugs near pavement. Irrigate these areas well. If chinch bugs prevail, call Environmental Services at 281-210-3800 for an organic remedy.



Winter

- Irrigate only if rainfall is not sufficient. Lawns need less water in winter during dormancy.
- Rake or mow leaves with a mulching mower so they do not accumulate on the lawn. Compost raked leaves.

Fall

- Avoid watering lawns in the evening.
- Fertilize mid-October.
- Apply fine-screen compost if not applied in Spring.
- Turn off automatic irrigation systems November 1.



For more information, call 281-210-3800