### BERMUDAGRASS LAWN CALENDAR

**Mowing Height:**
- Common Bermuda: 1 – 2”
- Hybrid Bermuda: 1 – 1 1/2” raise 0.5” higher in hot weather. Remove no more than 1/3 total height at one time.

**Water:**
1” per week if no rainfall. 30 days watering allowed for newly planted sod or seed. Sod laid in fall or winter months should be kept moist.

**Fertilization:** 2 – 5 lbs N/1000 ft²/YR
Follow fertilizer recommendations on soil test report. If the soil was not tested, use any turf fertilizer and follow label rates.

**Ideal pH Range:** 5.5 – 6.5
Use dolomitic lime per soil test recommendation. Can be applied at any time.

**Aeration:**
Use a core aerator during active growth season.

**Dethatch:** If thatch exceeds 1/2” deep use a vertical mower with blades 1” apart; go over the lawn two directions. Top dressing with 0.25” of soil can be effective.

**Seeding – New Lawn**:
Unhulled: 4 – 8 lbs per 1,000 ft². Hulled: 1 – 2 lbs per 1,000 ft².

**Overseeding – Established Lawns**: 5 – 10 lbs ryegrass seed per 1,000 ft².

**Sodding:**
500 ft² per pallet typical.

**Weed Control:**
Read product label carefully to determine which weeds are controlled and on which grasses the product can be used.

*Spring preemergence* prevents crabgrass, goosegrass and other annual weeds.

*Broadleaf postemergence* spot spray to kill broadleaf plants like chickweed, wild violet, dandelion, wild onion, etc.

*Grassy weed postemergence* kills grassy weeds like crabgrass, dallisgrass, etc. Do not apply to drought-stressed bermudagrass.

*Winter preemergence* prevents chickweed and other winter weeds.

* Read weed control product labels carefully. Some products cannot be applied within a few weeks of establishment or spring transition.

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