

# Greenscape

## Care Guide for Hydrosod Products

**Please read carefully** and **sign the invoice** in the space provided to show us that you have received the Instructional Care Guide and **acknowledge your responsibility** to read and implement proper care instructions.

### **Failure to follow the Instructional Care Guide voids the warranty!**

When calling with any potential challenges, please have the **Instructional Care Guide** in hand. This will greatly facilitate our ability to help you.



**\*Please Note:** It is the customer's **responsibility** to report any potential challenges with turf establishment within the first **22 days**. Otherwise, the warranty of our product can be **voided**.

Greenscape does transfer its supplier's guarantee on seed germination to its customers, provided this instructional brochure is followed exactly.

The success of our process **depends upon you!**



## IMPORTANT!

### **WATERING:**

Do a moisture test before setting your automatic sprinklers to see how long it takes to puddle; then decrease this time by approx. 30 seconds. **Keep the new lawn moist at all times.** Apply short quick waterings throughout the day; approximately 3-6 times per day between **6 a.m. and 6 p.m.** When the **temperatures are cool**, set waterings for 2-3 times a day or less depending on the moisture content of the mulch and seed. Sprinkle it lightly to avoid puddling, run-off, surface erosion, and channeling. Remember also that the set times might have to be decreased as the days go by due to the soil becoming saturated. Do not decrease number of intervals, but length of time each interval waters.

You must change your watering technique and adjust it according to the *fluctuations* in the weather.

**DO NOT OVER WATER** to the point of standing water.



### **DISEASES & FUNGICIDE:**

*Approx. May 15<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>*

Pythium or Dampening Out could infect your new lawn. Within 14-17 days after installation spray your new lawn with a fungicide. Call a local professional that does Turf Spraying or stop by a local Nursery/Turf Supply Outlet and pick up the appropriate fungicide and do-it-yourself. (The label must specify that the product is for Pythium.)

It is the owner's responsibility to see that fungicide is applied by the 17<sup>th</sup> day. In some cases, additional treatments may be necessary.

**Remember**, if fungus is not treated, a dampening out of your entire lawn may occur in which all or part of your lawn could die.



**GREENSCAPE is not responsible for any diseases or fungus that might grow in the new lawn.**

### **SLIME MOLD:**

Slime mold is an algae that grows on top of the soil. The soil discolors to a medium/dark green, or a orange color. Algae will negatively effect the germination and growth of your newly seeded lawn. The condition itself is caused from too much water and/or an excessive amount of compost in your soil.

**NOTE:** If slime mold becomes a problem, allow the affected area to dry slightly, **but remember moisture is necessary for continuing germination.**  
*(Supplemental hand watering may be advantageous in these areas).*

Spray the affected area with fungicide. Check with your local Nursery or Turf Supply Store for a product (such as FORE or DIATHANE WF) that would be recommended for slime mold control.

**FERTILIZING:**

Your lawn should be fertilized in 25-30 days. Using a good balanced fertilizer such as 15-15-15 or 16-16-16.



**Do not use Weed and Feed at this time – wait until the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> mowing. Be sure fertilizer is applied evenly and watered in thoroughly to avoid burning the grass.**

**WEEDS:**

Weed seeds are in the soil and blown in from the wind.  
A broad leaf weed killer can to be applied after the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> mowing.

**GREENSCAPE is not responsible for any weeds that come in with the new lawn.**

## **MOWING:**

**Mow your new lawn when over 50% of it reaches a height of 2½"-3".**



Mow lawn to approximately 2" high. Mow every 4-5 days. The grasses will thatch together and thicken up each time you mow. You will have to mow 5-7 times before the lawn will look lush and thick. At least for the first 5-7 times of mowing, use a grass catcher when you mow. After 5-7 mowings return to normal weekly mowings.

## **IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS**



- ❶ Sharpen Lawn Mower Blades
- ❷ Thoroughly wash mower prior to mowing new lawn to help reduce any possibility of spreading weed seeds, fungal spores, and other potential diseases.

Small bare areas are usually caused from seed drying out or being flooded and washed away. These areas will have to be hand seeded to introduce new seedlings for growth.



### **INSECTS:**

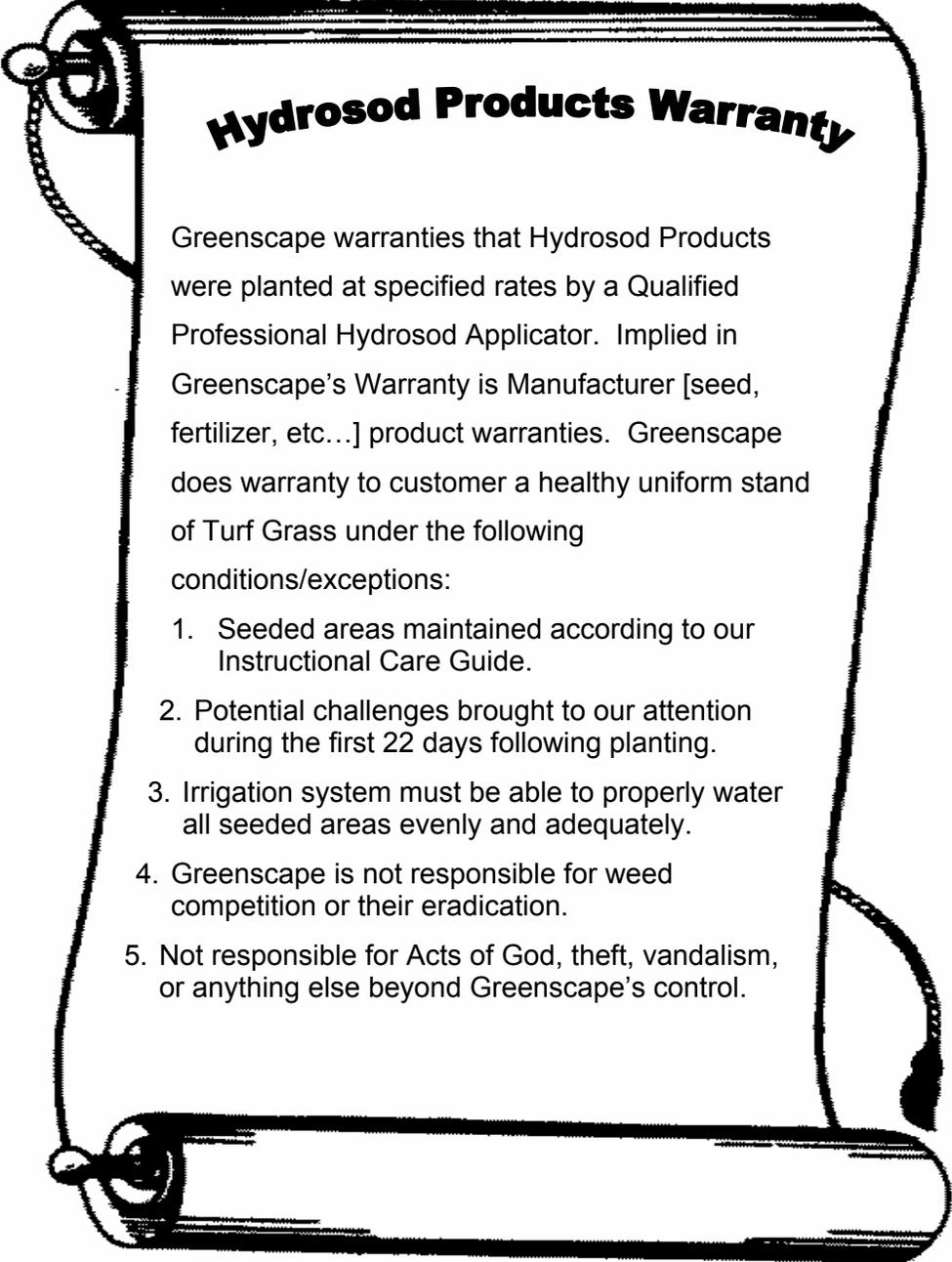
Protect your lawn from insects with commercial insecticides (**only if needed**). When dealing with insecticides it is best to talk with a professional. Don't make the mistake of not getting proper information before reacting!



### **In Short:**

- ✓ Keep it consistently wet with short, quick waterings throughout the day.
- ✓ Spray fungicide in approximately 15 days.
- ✓ Fertilize in 25 days.
- ✓ Mow in approximately 20 days. Return to normal lawn care after 5-7 mowings.

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## **Hydrosod Products Warranty**

Greenscape warranties that Hydrosod Products were planted at specified rates by a Qualified Professional Hydrosod Applicator. Implied in Greenscape's Warranty is Manufacturer [seed, fertilizer, etc...] product warranties. Greenscape does warranty to customer a healthy uniform stand of Turf Grass under the following conditions/exceptions:

1. Seeded areas maintained according to our Instructional Care Guide.
2. Potential challenges brought to our attention during the first 22 days following planting.
3. Irrigation system must be able to properly water all seeded areas evenly and adequately.
4. Greenscape is not responsible for weed competition or their eradication.
5. Not responsible for Acts of God, theft, vandalism, or anything else beyond Greenscape's control.