

Summer Lawns

There is no mistaking that our Australian Summer is a stressful time for our lawns, and what determines a lawn to look good, depends on the measures we have accounted for both before and during summer. We need to prepare our lawns to withstand the hot weather by ensuring it is healthy before the heat arrives.

If your lawn is looking tired and stressed out due to the heat, there are a number of things you can do to help rejuvenate those horrible dry patches and get them lush.

WATER

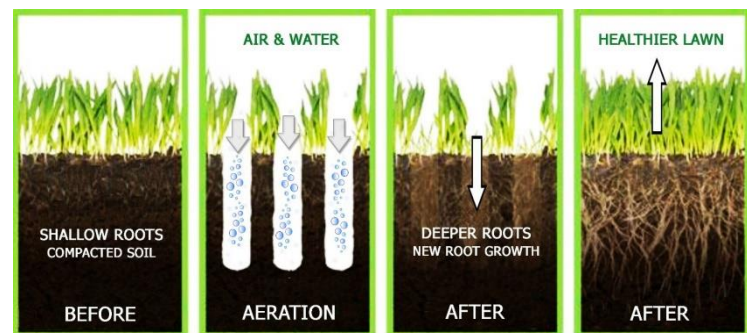
This goes without say but watering the lawn is vital to its survival, equally as important is *how* it's watered and *when*. These two elements go hand in hand because they affect the lawn's root system growth. The goal is to ultimately encourage your lawn to develop healthy deep roots so when a dry spell comes along, the roots have reserves to rely on rather than completely drying out over 3-4 consecutive hot days. A deep watering, less frequently is better for the root development as opposed to more frequent shorter watering's.

WETTING AGENTS

This is an amazing invention for our lawns, over summer the amount of moisture evaporation can be alarming. As the soil dries out over summer, it becomes more water repellent as it creates greasy coating that contributes to the water running off the surface as opposed to being absorbed. Wetting agents soak into the soil and break down the greasy layer by coating the particles with water attracting agents. This allows the soil to now soak up much more water than before.

LAWN AERATION

Aeration or coring are terms you might have come across, if not, it basically is the process by which you remove plugs of soil from the lawn which helps loosen compacted soil and allows needed air and nutrients to reach the roots for healthy growth. The best time to aerate your lawn is during its peak growing period so it can recover quickly afterwards.



FERTILISER

Just like people or any other living organism, lawns require food supply in the correct doses so it can be used effectively. Fertilising just once a year is simply not enough, more frequent fertilising will see your lawn respond much better and result in greener appearance.

MOWING

Regular mowing in summer will benefit the lawn with regards to limiting weed growth, and keeping the lawn from growing into garden areas. As well as presenting well, mowing stimulate new growth when done regularly.

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