



## Maintenance of your New Instant Lawn

Maintaining your new Instant Lawn is quite easy. ***The greatest importance***, especially in the first 12-14 days of your lawn being laid, is the watering.

### WATERING THE TURF

1. Water your Instant Lawn immediately after laying. ***Soaking for 15 to 20 min.***
2. ***Soak the turf 2 Times a day, - (1) First thing in the morning, - (2) When you get home from work, - (3) Night time.***
3. ***Soak the turf*** 12-14 days to keep both ***turf and soil moist and cool***. This will encourage root establishment.
4. Gradually taper off watering to a good soaking twice a week in the dry weather. This encourages deep rooting to form a drought resistant root system.
5. Winter watering is generally not necessary unless it is an abnormally dry season.
6. These Times and Dates are a guideline only. All sites are different.

### Mowing & Fertilising

Your new Instant Lawn may need mowing around 20 days after installation. To test whether it is ready to mow, see if you can lift a flap of turf. If the turf is solidly stuck to the ground, then you can mow. Your mower blades should be kept sharp (to stop bruising). Reducing the height of the turf in one pass will tend to put it into stress (yellowing in colour) and any height reduction should be made gradually, no more than 1/3 at a time.

Regular mowing will ensure a thick, healthy carpet-like lawn.

Although your lawn has been fertilised prior to leaving the turf farm, the heavy watering required to establish the turf will tend to leach most of the nutrients from the soil.

Therefore, it would be beneficial to fertilise your lawn 4 weeks after transplanting. Your local nursery will advise you on what fertilise to use. After this, you will need to fertilise your lawn every 8 weeks, varying the types of fertiliser to suit the season.