

Hohl's Friendly Service December Newsletter 2018

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HOLIDAY HOURS:

Closed - Christmas Eve & Christmas Day, New Year's Day Open - Regular Hours on New Year's Eve

Tips for Winter

BARN LIME - Keep a bag or two of barn lime in your vehicle in case you get stuck on ice. Pour some around the tires to get traction. When it gets colder than salt to be effective on sidewalks and driveways, use barn lime to prevent slipping – It could prevent an injury.

SALT – Hohl's carries Hi-Way rock salt, sold by the bag or the pallet. We also sell by the bag, Snow Control Ice Melt, which is concrete safe and is environmentally friendly.

BIRDS – Keep your feeders close to walk ways, so you don't have to trudge through snow to fill them. Remember, once you start feeding the birds, they become dependent on you for the winter. Make sure you have a deicer for your bird bath to ensure a supply of fresh water. Do your neighbors and friends feed the birds? Pull yourself and 4 others together to save money; buy 5 bags of Hohl's Premium Wild Bird Seed and save \$1 per bag. Take turns with your friends in picking the bags up; which not only saves money, but time as well.

OUTDOOR PETS – Straw is a typical choice for bedding; however, with all of the flooding this last summer, it may not be available, or cost effective. Choose Eco Flake pine shavings; they are in a bag, so they won't make a mess in your vehicle, getting them home. They also cost about the same as a bale of straw. Plus, they keep a fresh scent longer.

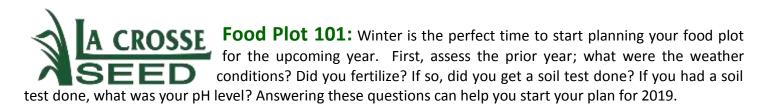
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Crop rotation is 1 key element in maintaining healthy food plots. This is obtained easily when you have a few different food plots. If you like our Hohl's Fall Blend (a wonderful mix of brassicas), you should only plant that in the same area no more than 2 years in a row. Wait a minimum of 2 years before planting brassicas in that area again. Look at substituting a perennial for 2-3 years, such as the Hohl's Wildlife Mix or Clover. You can still plant the Hohl's Fall Mix in another food plot.

Start by making yourself a journal, listing all of your Food Plots and acres or square feet in each. List what you have growing in each, how many years that crop has been in each area (if perennial). Know the life cycle of

your perennials, so you can make choices for the following year(s), to be cost effective. Your journal should include: Soil conditions and fertilizers applied with dates; chemicals applied with dates; approximate planting dates; what was planted; listing the rate used (lbs./acre) – be honest if you over seeded. Keep notes on weekly weather conditions, plant heights, and dates you mow, if applicable and how low you mowed. The list can be as extensive or simple as you wish to make it. This journal will be a reference for what went well and what went wrong. This information gives you a cost saving value for future years, while allowing you to have the best possible plots for your conditions.

As always, your dedicated Hohl's family of professionals is here to assist you in making the right choices for your area(s).



The 2019 Calendars are in. Free while supplies last.

Limit one per Customer.

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