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LAWN PREP FOR WINTER

1. Before the 1st frost; 1 to 2 days after a rain or watering your lawn, aerate your lawn.
2. Apply **Turf Food 22-0-10** for a winterizer, which provides essential nutrients to promote lush turf, increased resistance to disease, and promotes healthier turf during winter dormancy allowing for a quicker spring green up. This product will improve the color, density and uniformity of the turf, plus provide a long lasting feeding. Follow-up in the Spring (starting around Easter) with our 4 step program.
3. Mow your lawn down between 1 ¾" – 2", leaving room for ½" of growth between the end of Fall and beginning of Winter. 2 ½" is the optimum grass height to prevent snow mold, from being too high, and cold weather stress, from being too short. This is about an inch shorter than what you have in the Summer. If you keep a taller grass in
- the summer, never mow more than a third of the grass blade off at once, so you don't shock it.
4. Rake and remove any dead leaves from your yard to avoid wet spots, which can become mossy or moldy.
5. Before it snows, clear your yard of toys, picnic tables (if possible) and other objects on your lawn.
6. Once the grass has become brown and dormant for the winter, there should be very little foot traffic. Keep your sidewalks cleared of ice and snow to avoid people cutting through your lawn.
7. Never allow anyone to park a truck or car on your lawn. Even the smallest vehicle will leave impressions in the soil and kill off the grass that is underneath the tires. Remember, any areas that are killed off, allow room for crabgrass and other weeds to take root.



INSULATE WITH STRAW

- Use Straw bales for your Halloween Decorations, then re-purpose on any of the following uses.
- Winterize Rose bushes by putting down 12" – 18" of straw at the base.
- All berry beds will benefit with 6" – 8" of straw.
- Pack straw around your drained, outdoor water faucet to prevent frost and keep pipes from freezing.
- Keep your septic system from freezing with 12" of straw all along your drain field.
- Put straw in the outdoor dog or cat house to keep your pets warm.



DON'T FORGET THE BIRDS

We Carry Assorted Bird Seeds, Decorative Wreaths, Seed Cakes, and Feeders

Hohl's Premium Bird Seed 25# & 50#

Nyjer Seed 25# & 50#

Finch Mix 25# & 50#

Black Oil Sunflower 50#

Fine Sunflower Hearts 50#

Medium Sunflower Hearts 50#



White Millet 50#

Safflower 50#

Cardinal Mix 36#

Peanut Pickouts 50#

Peanuts in the Shell 25#

Ear Corn 40# & Dozen





Food Plot 101: AUSTRIAN WINTER PEAS

Winter Peas are a rapid, low growing annual Legume used across the country as a legume fixing cover crop and/or a quickly decomposing green manure crop. The forage value of the winter peas along with their overall management are benefited when planted alongside a cereal grain, such as oats.

BENEFITS:

- Strong Nitrogen fixer and very high in biomass potential (*organic matter, resulting from plant decomposition, which adds to soil nutrition – aka: green manure crop*). Superior choice for soil improvement.
- Perfect cover crop before planting corn.
- Quick growth, good for weed suppression.
- Hardy to temperatures as low as -5 to -10 °.
- Will work with soil pH levels as low as 6.0.
- Economical way to attract deer, turkey and quail.

My biggest fear is that when I die, my wife will sell my hunting gear for what I said I paid for it.
- Anonymous

I don't always tell people where I hunt, but when I do, it's a lie.
- The most interesting man in the world, Dos Equis

PLANTING:

- **Rate:** 50 lbs. per acre.
- **Depth:** ½"
- **Time:** September - October
- **Method:** Well-prepared, firm seed bed, alone or with a small grain. (*Cut rate if planting with grain*).
- **Grazing:** Not suited to grazing because of livestock damage from trampling. Excellent for wild game food plots and as a plow down green manure crop. Austrian winter peas, if planted in the fall, will also return to growth in the spring; will die after mowing down.

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