

Timely Tip for September Gardeners from Cornelius Nursery: Fall Lawn Care

A Texas Summer can really take a toll on our lawns! Areas that are thinning from lack of water or too much foot traffic will often sprout up cover, often in the form of weeds. Our cool season weeds will start emerging in September once they receive a little moisture. So, now is the time to prevent weed seeds and to apply our Fall fertilizers.

Fall fertilization is the key to prolonging Fall color and promoting early Spring recovery of lawns. It will also help to promote a thick turf which resists those Winter weeds. **Calloway's Premium Lawn Food** supplies three sources of nitrogen. The first source provides a quick shot of nitrogen to give your lawn a nice greening effect. The other two are control-released to provide a consistent supply of nitrogen over the next several months. The 21-5-10 formula also supplies the needed nutrients to stimulate root development, make your grass hardier for the Winter months and provide food for next Spring's growth! Apply it this month or the first of October. For those who are organic gardeners, **Calloway's Organic Fertilizer** contains seven food grade meals and can also be applied now.

Because many weeds grow and strengthen while grass is dormant, pre-emergent weed control is important for Texas lawns. A pre-emergent weed control must be done **before** the weeds are growing. So, the best times to treat lawn weeds with a pre-emergent herbicide are September and mid-March.

We will be hosting a free clinic in every store on **Fall Lawn Care** on **Saturday, September 18th at 10:15 am**. Find out the secrets of a green, healthy lawn and be the envy of your neighborhood!

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