# LAWN\* DOCTOR

# Lowcountry Turf Talk



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## What results should I expect from my lawn care treatment?

Lawn Doctor's annual lawn care services are scheduled every 6-7 weeks. Our services provide the basic fertility and weed control that all lawns need. After we spray the existing weeds on every service, those weeds should die with 21 days. If the weeds do not die off, let us know and we will return at no charge and retreat the weeds. Each service of the program includes a herbicide application that targets weeds that we typically see at that time of year. For best results, stay on the program and do not skip services so we can get the weeds under control and keep them under control. Some weeds are stubborn and may require more than one application. Again, simply notify our office and we will return if needed to reapply.

Lawn Doctor is now offering monthly installments to make paying for any service we provide easier than ever! For more details, call 843-873-5711 or email our office at group616@lawndoctor.com and Amanda will be glad to help.

## Can I see a history of my services?

Yes. You can manage your account online. Go to lawndoctor.com and click "My Account". Have your customer number and the address as it shows on your invoices (i.e. Dr instead of Drive) handy.

## Once I sign up for Auto-Pay will it continue for next year or will I have to sign up

For your convenience, once you sign up for Auto-Pay, Lawn Doctor will continue to charge you automatically until you cancel your Auto-Pay through the lawndoctor.com/customer site.

# DID YOU KNOW?

Because grasses have a positive impact on climate, clean water and air quality, every homeowner can take part in supporting a healthy environment. While you're probably not growing giant bamboo or Arctic hairgrass, maintaining your lawn is a simple way to improve your air quality while increasing the value of your home.



## PEST OF THE MONTH

## FIRE ANTS



For homeowners from Ravenel to Goose Creek, the question of how to get rid of fire ants can loom large. After all, fire ants pose a danger not only to your lawn and landscape but also to people and pets. Fire ants are highly aggressive and territorial, and you are most likely to suffer an attack from fire ants if you inadvertently disturb a colony nest mound on your property.

To get the best fire ant control, choose fire ant treatment and control services from Lawn Doctor. Our technicians respond to infestations with quick and effective season-long fire ant treatments, making it easy for you to take back your yard from this invasive and dangerous pest. This service is guaranteed for one full year!





## Horticultural Oil for Trees and Shrubs

Oils have been used in plant care protection for over 100 years. They are similar to mineral and baby oils, and are friendly to the environment. Horticultural oils are contact materials with no residual activity. They are effective in reducing overwintering egg masses, scale insects, aphids, and mites. This early application blocks insects waiting to attack tender new growth. Lawn Doctor's Late Fall Service (Tree and Shrub Service #5) will be scheduled to control Spring insects and diseases before they cause serious damage to your plants. If you intend to purchase more plants, shrubs, annuals or perennials, make sure to purchase from a reputable nursery. Check plants for any kind of insects before you plant them. Always ask the nursery if they have sprayed the plants that they have for

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sale.

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## You asked and We listened.

#### When will my grass come out of dormancy?

Since you have warm season grass in your lawn, it will begin to return from its winter dormancy and become green again when soil temperatures consistently rise above 65 degrees. This typically requires at least one week of 70-degree air temperatures. Lawns in Mt. Pleasant, Hanahan and Summerville tend to come out of dormancy late March early April.

### Why does my lawn need Kmag?

This fertilizer enhances root development and branching, improves drought tolerance and cold hardiness, increases leaf turgor pressure, and helps reduce the incidence of numerous fungal diseases.

## Why does my lawn need Lime/Sulfur?

Warm season turf grasses prefer a pH between 6-7. Low pH requires Lime to raise and high pH requires Sulfur to lower on the pH scale. Having the correct pH (6-7) increase the uptake of nutrients by the plant/grass. This will help the plant utilize naturally available nutrients in the soil as well as the nutrients we apply. Maintaining the proper pH will help with color, density, vigor, and overall health of the plant/grass.

## How can compost help my lawn?

Composting creates healthier soil by balancing soil density and providing nutrients to microorganisms within it. This is how it works: By balancing soil density, plants and lawns can develop healthier roots, which supports steady growth.

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"Name", we will reward them with a \$25.00 tip! Simply go to www.lawndoctor.com/summerville-sc/customerreviews or Google your local Lawn Doctor to submit a review.



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