

Landscape After Care CHECKLIST



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After the landscaping, the care of the landscape begins! Keeping it beautiful is vital to protecting your investment, and for outdoor enjoyment all season long. This **CHECKLIST** can help make sure the basics are covered and a care plan is in place. Learn to do-it-yourself with the right tools and materials, or ask for help. The Feasels Group is with you, as needed, every step of the way.

Regular Maintenance

- ✓ **Watering** – Plants, trees and turf depend on water to survive. Avoid the droughts, refresh the landscape as needed. Make sure you know the watering requirements.
- ✓ **Fluff the mulch; remove the weeds** – Keep the mulch fluffed-up for air and moisture penetration to the soil. Add mulch as needed to keep the plant beds fresh. Remove weeds to avoid competition with water and plant growth. Mulch should never be more than 3” deep. Do not mound up around base of tree; pull back to form a saucer mound to hold water.
- ✓ **Prune / trim** for best growth and appearance. The right plant in the right place should not require much work, but some shaping may be needed. Remove irregular growth correctly.
- ✓ **Edging to keep the best shape** – Keep the lawns from spreading into plant beds. Watch the edges to maintain a defined line for the lawn mower and mulch.
- ✓ **Watch for bugs, bad leaves.** Look close at how you plants are doing. Crawling critters may need controlling (pesticides) or discolored leaves may need treatment (fertilizer or fungicides). Don't risk losing your landscape, ask for help.

Turf Care - Keep it GREEN and healthy!

- ✓ **Mowing** – Determine proper cutting levels for each season and stick to the plan. More frequent mowing may be required after wet conditions, with fewer during dry periods.
- ✓ **Watering** – Green lawns are good, yellow or brown are not. Watch soil dryness that can affect growing conditions and appearance. Supplement the rainfall with some sprinkling, or plan an irrigation system. Too much watering can cause yellowing and can bring disease.
- ✓ **Fertilizing** - Pro-active or preventative treatment programs spring thru fall can be designed to keep turf areas healthy and attractive. The Garden Center has the right solution for your lawn.
- ✓ **Pests and weed control** - Check the turf color or dying grass spots for developing issues. Grubs, mold, even the neighbors pets, can bring changes overnight. Treatment programs can be planned, or spot applications recommended for problems that need immediate attention.
- ✓ **Thatching & Aerating** – Mechanically removing cut grass thatch and spiking air holes help the soil breath for better growing conditions. Ask our turf consultants for the best solutions.

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Seasonal Maintenance

- **Spring Clean-up** – Remove the winter debris, ready turf and plantings for the growing season.
 - Start-up maintenance equipment
 - Prune & groom for best plant health
 - Turf Care Steps for a better lawn
 - Plant flowers and vegetables
 - Is it time to add other landscape phases, favorite plants and renovate old plantings?
 - Visit the Garden Center & Greenhouse for new ideas.
 - Ready water features & irrigation system
 - Freshen-up plant beds / mulch
 - Fertilizing / Weed-N-Feed
 - Start your compost bin for recycling
- **Fall Clean-up** – Get ready for winter, finish fall chores outdoors!
 - Gather the final harvest of vegetables, flowers and dried material for decorations.
 - Protect water features& irrigation system before frost.
 - Remove dead or dying material from lawns and gardens.Add to your compost bin.
 - Remove leaves from putting plants and lawns at risk.
 - Protect plants / roses from snows, wind chill and wildlife damage.
 - Fall fertilization and final mowing before the freeze.
 - Plan Christmas / holiday lights and outdoor decorations early (while it's warmer).
- **Winter Activities**
 - Make a list! Get that wish list to Santa for tools, books and gift certificates.
 - Feed the birds! Get your feeders and food for your outdoor friends.
 - Start your seeds! Plan your garden, get supplies ready.
 - Learn how to “do it yourself” to save time and dollars.
 - Plan spring landscape improvements.

The Feasel Garden Center crew can answer most questions, or direct you to specific help resources.

The Feasel Field Team has the training and equipment for complete Landscape AfterCare services.

Workshops and informational sessions are held seasonally to learn more “to do-it-yourself” tips.

SAVE – POST this for reminders near your gardening storage area!