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	Regular Service Cost:	
	Extra Work Cost **(see below)	
	Total Amount Due:	
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Fall Bulletin

Your Fall Treatment provides the following:

- o A special Fall fertilizer to help your lawn recover from the Summer stress period by strengthening the grass plants from the roots up. This root-building fertilizer will stimulate the grass plants to produce rhizomes and tillers, which will fill in the thin areas of your lawn. It will also stimulate the newly seeded areas to fill in more rapidly. Our company performs soil testing to determine your lawn's nutrient levels and design our custom-blended fertilizer to fit your lawn's requirements.
- o Spot-seeding and tool spiking is performed in bare or thin areas. Seed blended for sunny or shady areas right on the job.
- o Liquid Weed Control is spot-sprayed only where weeds are present and is not broadcast over the entire lawn. A sticking agent is added so that if a rainfall comes after the treatment, the control will still be effective.
- o Insect Control includes spot treatment where insects, especially grubs, are still actively feeding.
- o Post-Emergent Controls for crabgrass, dallisgrass, foxtail, green kyllinga, nimblewill, nutsedge, stiltgrass and thistle are spot-sprayed as needed.
- ** Extra Work (extra seed, core aeration, rolling, seed aeration, soil stabilizer, thatching, topdressing and verticutting) is performed as needed and is an extra charge.

<u>CAUTION</u>:

To avoid possible skin or eye irritations do not walk without shoes or allow children or pets to play on your lawn until the products just applied have been watered in.

WATERING PROCEDURES



- 1. If your lawn has received a ½ inch or more of rain after our service application, then the products are properly watered in. If there is no rainfall, then you need to apply a ½ inch of water; preferably before you mow your lawn, especially if you are not recycling the grass clippings.
- 2. Since fungus and high humidity are not as much of a problem in the Fall, watering may be done in the morning, afternoon or evening—though watering in the morning is still preferred.

- 3. If there is no measurable rainfall, supplying at least 1 inch of water each week will provide an ample supply of water on established turf areas.
- 4. On bare or thin areas of your lawn -- or where thatching or topdressing and seeding has been performed -- light frequent watering at least once a day, twice a day when possible, is advisable for the first month. This will allow these areas to fill in as soon as possible. After the first month of growth, you can decrease the frequency of watering while still trying to keep the soil as moist as possible by providing deep soaking waterings at this time.
- 5. For our customers who have a sprinkler system, you will need to water three times a week because of the amount of time needed to ensure that each zone is properly watered. On bare or thin areas where seeding has been performed, program those zones to water lightly at least once a day, twice a day when possible, for the first month. Please do not set the system to water on the day your lawn is scheduled to be mowed. **Do not have your sprinkler system winterized before**November 15th. If you have any additional questions, a sprinkler system bulletin is available upon request.

MOWING PROCEDURES

- 1. Wait at least 24 hours after your lawn service is completed to mow your lawn.
- 2. Use a sharp blade.
- 3. Mow with regularity, except in bare areas that are being reseeded where you should allow 3 to 4 weeks before cutting to help the new seedlings establish themselves.
- 4. **Mow at the proper height** -- Please continue to mow at 4 inches for regular-sized lawns and 4 to 4-1/2 inches for larger lawns. Mowing at the proper height will increase root depth and retain moisture longer helping to reduce weed and disease development. **If you have someone mowing your lawn for you, please make sure to tell him/her to continue to mow at these mowing heights until such time as cool weather sets in, usually in late October.** Then, the mowing height may be reduced, but never to lower than 3 inches.
- 5. Continue to recycle or mulch clippings, until such time as the leaves start to fall heavily. At that time, we would recommend bagging the clippings, which will remove the leaves at the same time.
- 6. Alternate mowing directions so both the established turf and especially the new seedlings do not start growing in only one direction.
- 7. Try to mow your lawn only when it is completely dry. It will be easier on your grass, on your lawn mower and on you.



LEAF REMOVAL

The easiest and safest way of removing leaves from your lawn is to remove them with a lawn mower bag while cutting.

For heavier amounts of leaves, raking is not a problem on established turf. But on newly seeded, shady or shallow-rooted areas, heavy raking may remove new seedlings as well as the established turf. A suggestion might be to either rake these areas lightly, or (if you have one) to use a leaf blower that would remove the leaves off the weak areas on to the established turf, driveway, street or sidewalk where they can be raked into bags.

<u>SIGN POSTING</u>: If a sign has been placed on your lawn, please remove the sign after the lawn products have been watered in or after 72 hours whichever occurs first. Then, properly dispose of the sign or keep it for re-use with the next service.

<u>EMAIL ADDRESSES</u>: If you have not already provided it, please give us your email address or any new or updated email address you have. Contact us at <u>Finolawn@gmail.com</u> or on 302-792-2201. We are now using email to alert our customers about drought regulations, watering requirements and other crucial issues that arise throughout the season and we want to be sure all of our customers are on our email list.

Finocchiaro Lawn & Landscape is not responsible for conditions on your lawn which are beyond our control, such as extended high temperatures, drought damage, mandatory watering restrictions (if applicable) and customers not following watering and mowing instructions which are printed on each service bulletin or available anytime online at our website.