

GRASSCYCLING

Grasscycling is the natural way YOU can have a green, healthy lawn while spending less time and money!

Sound too good to be true? Well it isn't.

YOU can be the envy of your neighbors with a beautiful lawn with less work and expense

Wouldn't you rather be sipping an ice cold lemonade in the shade, rather than spending time emptying those grass clippings into expensive bags, and then lugging those heavy bags out to the curb for trash or recycling pick-up? (A typical lawn of 5,000 square feet generates about 75 pounds of grass clippings per mowing.)

Years of research have shown that by mowing frequently (5-6 times per month) and not bagging those clippings can save lawn owners up to 40% of the time they spend on routine lawn care! Imagine what you can do with that extra time! Golf anyone? (Speaking of golf, have you ever seen grass being bagged at a golf course? Of *course* not!)

So far so good? Read on to learn how simple grasscycling is!

Simple steps for Grasscycling:

- Cut only the top 1/3 of the grass blade and LEAVE the clippings right on the lawn.
- Mow when the grass is dry to avoid tracking and clumping.
- Keep your mower blade sharp.
- No special equipment is necessary. While mulching mowers are available, and do a great job, ANY conventional mower can grasscycle---just remove the bag! (In the case of rear discharge mowers, the exhaust chute must be shut off.) Adapter kits or retro-fit kits are available for your conventional mower for about \$15.

Other BENEFITS to Grasscycling:

Water and Fertilize Less:

- When grasscycling is done properly, clippings settle quickly between the growing blades of grass where they shelter the roots from the sun, conserving moisture. As they break down, they release more moisture as well as nutrients into the soil. This means that grass needs to be watered less frequently.
- Clippings left on the lawn supply one-third or more of the nitrogen needed to keep grass green and healthy. Don't throw fertilizer away with chippings, grasscycle!

What about thatch?

Thatch is an accumulation of dead roots, stems and rhizomes which are parts of the grass plant that decompose slowly. Clippings, which are 95% water, are leaves of the grass plant and decompose too quickly to contribute to thatch