

Diagnostic Sheet for Home Lawn

Name _____ Phone # _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____



Instructions: Fill out **both** sides as completely as possible. This is to aid in diagnosing the problem your lawn is experiencing.



Brief description of problem _____

When did you notice the problem (approximate date?) _____

Has the problem occurred before? _____ when? _____

Is the problem located in: full sun? semi-shade? full shade?

Is the semi-shade or full shade created by trees? shrubs? building? other?

Is the problem site near drive? road? ledge? septic system or any other feature?

Explain _____

How near _____ feet. Are deicing salts used? _____ Is the problem site near a pool? _____

Is the pool water drained into the area? _____ How often? _____ Is the problem site level?

On a slope? Degree of slope? _____ Does the slope face North? South? East? West?

Is the problem site excessively wet? dry? If wet, is a body of water nearby? (i.e. brook, swamp, pond)? _____

When was the last time the soil was tested? _____

Results, if known 🍷 pH _____ Ca _____ Mg _____ P _____ K _____

Was the lawn limed recently? _____ When? _____

Rate of application (lbs/1000 sq ft) _____

Do you fertilize the lawn? _____

Kind of fertilizer (brand name)? _____

The fertilizer grade (5-10-10, 10-6-4, 21-6-3 etc.)? _____

Rate of application (lbs/1000 sq ft)? _____

Number of times a year fertilizer applied? _____

Give the approximate date(s) of application _____

Was an herbicide or weed and feed fertilizer used? _____

Rate of application (lbs/sq ft, etc.) _____

Date of application(s) _____ Where any insecticides or fungicides used? _____

What kind? _____
 Rate of application (lbs/1000 sq ft; oz/gal, etc) _____
 Is the lawn watered? _____ How often? _____ Time of day watered _____
 Length of time sprinkler was at one location _____
 Was the lawn seeded or sodded within the past year? _____
 If new, when? _____ from seed? _____ from sod? **Send in label if available.**
 How was the site prepared prior to sodding or seeding (include depth of tilling, fertilizer or lime applied, herbicide, insecticide or fungicide used, etc.)? _____



In addition to the above information submit a sod sample for examination. Take a 6" x 6" x 3" deep sod sample at the edge of the problem area. Include the root system in the sample. Place the sample in a plastic bag and ship in a STURDY box to your local extension office or the **Home & Garden Education Center, 1380 Storrs Road, U-115, Storrs, CT, 06269-4115.**



Date Received _____/_____/_____
 Diagnosis _____
 By whom _____
 Recommendations _____

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