

TURFSCAPE™

MAINTENANCE Guide



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TO MAXIMIZE THE ENJOYMENT AND INVESTMENT OF AN TURFSCAPE, PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES IN MIND.

Protecting Your Lawn Overview

- ✓ Do not perform any maintenance or other activity that may invalidate the warranty.
- ✓ The following may damage the Turfscape: accidents, vandalism, spiked shoes, wire brushes, fires, fireworks, floods, lightning strikes, chemical reactions, the use of dry cleaning fluids or improper cleaning methods, high pressure sprays exceeding 500 psi, storage of heavy materials on the lawn and non-approved infill materials.
- ✓ Perform routine repairs and maintenance on an as needed basis, including:
 - Inspections and minor repairs to avoid hazards.
 - Keep the surface clean and free of debris and contaminants.
 - Groom the surface to preserve appearance, keep grass fibers upright, and maintain even infill levels.

MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

Leaf Blower - Remove leaves and other organic debris

Stiff Broom Brush - Regularly brush turf to keep fibers upright and maintain even infill levels

Hose - Lightly spray down turf to clean and cool turf

Mild Detergent - Clean up stains or spills on turf

Plastic Rake - Use to remove leaves and other debris

Seed Drop Spreader - Add more infill if necessary



KEEP THE SURFACE CLEAN

Remove Waste

Remove debris such as leaves and branches from the surface using a leaf blower or a plastic rake. Do not use a rake with metal or wire bristles on the turf—this can tear the fibers.

WHY TO MAINTAIN YOUR TURFSCAPE™

**Keep your Turfscape
in good condition**

**Avoid degradation of heavily
used areas and
compaction of the infill**

**Maximize the appearance,
durability and longevity of
the Turfscape**

Spray down turf

In areas where rainfall is scarce, we recommend lightly spraying Turfscape occasionally to help flush debris, allergens and other airborne buildup that might accumulate on the turf.

Chemicals and other liquids

Do not use cleaning chemicals containing alcohol or acetone solvents. Take care to avoid spilling any petroleum-based liquids including fuel onto the surface.

GROOM THE SURFACE & MAINTAIN INFILL LEVELS

Brush the surface

Use a stiff broom brush to rake the fibers against the grain, paying attention to high traffic areas. Regular brushing helps to maintain uniform infill levels, keep the grass fibers upright, remove debris, and improve long-term appearance and performance. Keep in mind that high use areas are prone to greater infill displacement.

Equipment

Use a static brush for general infill leveling and to stand up the grass fibers. Use only synthetic fiber bristles, not metal or wire bristles.

Brush Height Setting

The optimum brush height will generally work best when the brush barely touches the tips of the turf. Do not set the brush so low that it digs into the turf pile or backing.

Restore Infill levels

Infill levels may decrease due to a variety of reasons—wind, storms, or may leave on clothing or shoes—and over time the levels may need to be replenished.



Weed & Pest Treatment

Treat with herbicides or pesticides, as required.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Snow & Ice

Allow snow and ice to melt and drain naturally through the artificial grass. Do not try to break the ice or use a shovel on the turf as this can break the frozen grass fibers or turf backing. Be mindful when shoveling driveways or sidewalks next to your Turfscapes. It is safe, however, to walk and play on your Turfscapes in the winter.

Static Electricity

Surfactants like liquid laundry fabric softeners can reduce static electricity.

Spills and Stains

If you spill sticky or staining substances on your turf, clean the area promptly. Most stains can be removed easily with a solution of hot, but not boiling, water and a mild household detergent. Brush the stain with a stiff bristle brush, scrub the area with soap and water, rinse with clean water, and pat dry.

Do not use cleaners that contain chlorine bleaches or highly acidic cleansers. Rinse area thoroughly following mopping with clean water to remove soap residue.

For oil-based stains, use a grease spot remover (perchloroethylene, dry cleaning solution). Stains of this variety could include motor oil and grease, cooking oil, suntan oil or floor wax. For chewing gum, tree sap, and other especially sticky substances, you can use a dry cleaning fluid as mentioned above, or remove by freezing. Most carpet cleaning suppliers will sell aerosol packs of refrigerant for these purposes.

Fire

Although Turfscapes is flame resistant, flames or sparks can fuse the fibers together and harm the turf. Be careful when lighting fireworks, barbecuing or smoking near your lawn.

Pets

Turfscapes is very pet-friendly. To clean up after your pet, allow waste to dry and pick up as you normally would on natural grass. You can spray the turf occasionally with a hose to wash away debris and maximize drainage through the perforated backing. You can also use a diluted bleach solution or pet-safe cleaner (Simply Green or Nature's Miracle, for example) to sanitize the turf, but this is not required in most residential applications. If you have several pets or are a kennel owner, a product designed to remove bacteria and odors might be helpful.

REMOVAL OF FOREIGN OBJECTS & CONTAMINANTS

Chewing gum can be removed with either ice or an aerosol to freeze the gum, and then chipped off. If gum has been smeared across fibers, peanut butter will soften the gum so that it can be wiped off.

Sunflower seeds, peanut shells, and other small food items can be removed by using a leaf blower. To minimize the movement of infill, do not point nozzle directly into the turf. Use minimal throttle.

Metal objects should be picked up by a magnet that is attached to grooming and brushing equipment.

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