# KENTUCKY TURF Nursery

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# Seedless Kikuyu - Installation & Maintenance Advice

## Installation

- Rotary hoe or spread top soil to a depth of 100mm
- Level out soil to 20-30mm below edges and paths
- Evenly broadcast the stater fertiliser supplied
- Lay turf back and forth across the area, keeping rolls close together
- Give turf a HEAVY soaking immediately after installation to ensure the air between the turf and soil is removed. You may wish to roll with a heavy roller if you wish
- Sand can be placed in joins to assist establishment

#### **First Months Care**

- KEEP TURF MOIST AT ALL TIMES Extra Caution is needed until lawn is well rooted down
- Watering is recommended at 6am, 11am and 3pm for the first 3 weeks.
- Water time will vary between watering systems
- Your lawns first mow should be as soon as you can pull on the leaf of the grass and it holds firm on the ground. This is usually at around 2 weeks. Do not allow the grass to get too long before it's first mow. Mow regularly

### Ongoing Care - Watering & Mowing

- Once established, if weather is hot & humid don't overwater your lawn
- Mow when your lawn is dry if possible
- Use a catcher and keep your lawn mower blades sharp
- Mow regularly & maintain a LOW grass height. The shorter the grass height maintained over summer, the better the grass will maintain colour into winter. Spongy grass will go dormant rapidly with frosts.
- Kikuyu does not like to have wet soil during winter. A free draining soil is essential in partly shaded areas in particular.

#### Fertilising

- Fertilise every 3 months with Lawn Pride Fertiliser **"Maintain"**, **"Maintain Mini"** or **"Turfmaxx"** These are in available in 20kg bags or smaller quantities depending on the size of your area
- Apply at the rate of "Maintain" & "Maintain Mini' @2 kg per 100m or 'Turfmaxx' @3 kg per 100m
- Broadcast evenly onto dry lawn and water in well
- In addition an application of 'Kelp ER' will help with winter colour

#### Weeds

- Clover, Bindii and other flat weeds can be controlled with 'Bow & Arrow' or "Indigo Contra M Duo"
- For Winter grass (Poa annua) in kikuyu you can use "Echelon Duo" it is a herbicide, Insecticide and fertiliser all in one.
- For annual rye grass, regular mowing will eventually remove the grass from the area or use 'Indigo Duke'
- Always read the label and Safety Data Sheet (SDS) when using chemicals and use only as directed.
- To PREVENT weeds germinating check out the pre-emergent '**Barricade'** to provide up to 6 monthly protection from grassy weeds & Poa annua.
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