SODDING INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

As part of the purchase of your new home, Centennial Homes will install **Number One Nursery Grade** sod around the front, back and sides of your property. This is the time that your home really starts to feel complete. As the saying goes, the grass is greener where you water it – so we provided our homeowners with a comprehensive guide to ensure your new lawn grows as lush as possible.

It is extremely vital that your lawn is watered thoroughly the first 24 hours after it is installed. After laying the sod, the installer will soak your grass – *after this initial soaking it will be exclusively the homeowners' responsibility to maintain their grass.* Please ensure that your exterior water supply is turned on and your garden house tap is exposed and available



After the initial soaking period, **the homeowners are expected to continue to water your sod once a day for two hours** (please note that it is best to water your lawn either early in the morning or in the evening as it is easy to burn freshly laid sod). Continue to water daily for the first week after installation so that the sod can properly take root

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In the second week, continue to water the new sod every second day, moving sprinkler as needed to ensure all areas of the lawn feel moist. Begin to water the sod during peak temperature times in the summer and decrease watering as the temperatures drop (early morning and evenings). Make sure to look out for any "pooling" which can occur within drainage swales as overwatering can kill your lawn.

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For a month after your sod has been laid avoid walking on it as much as possible. Grass tends to shift and sway and that sometimes leaves gaps between laid rolls. To prevent depressions and foot prints do not walk in the drainage swales. If gaps do occur, we recommend that you purchase a bag of top soil and fill in affected areas.

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Performing regular maintenance to increase the longevity of your lawn is also important. Remember to fertilize with turf builder every spring and fall to ensure that the lawn stays a vibrant green.