

Elliotts Quality Turf

Turf Laying Tips

Preparation

Kill off existing lawn
Rotavate and compact prepared area to body weight.
Finally, rake to achieve a good level and tilth.
Pre fertilise soil and soak in.

Laying

Lay turf on day of receipt.
Work from boards and planks if possible to avoid leaving footprints. This will also achieve compaction.
Lay turf ideally in a staggered format similar to bricklaying. Butt the joins tightly together.
When complete, water. Water daily. Do not allow the turf to contract.

Maintenance

Mow the lawn when grass height achieves 3inches. (75mm). This may be only 7-10 days.
Before cutting for the first time, it may be well worth investing in a new mower blade or get the mower sharpened.
On the first cut, be especially careful. Raise mower blades and adjust accordingly. Take growth off in sensible steps.
Suggest early mowing height of 2inches (50mm) with endeavor of achieving an inch (25mm) within 3 months.
Raise the cutting height in hot periods to help prevent lawn drying out.
Feed your lawn six months after laying, following manufacturer's instructions.
Do not use weed and feed, just a good quality feed.
For isolated weeds, use a spot weed gun.
Generally, laying turf in Autumn/Winter will require the use of less water.
Frost will not kill turf.
The hotter it is, the faster the rooting, but more water is required.
The colder the weather, the turf is slower rooting, but less water is required.