

Florida's Urban Turf Labeling Guidelines

Specialty Fertilizer Requirements For Residential Lawns/Turf:

Caution Statement:

"Do not apply near water, storm drains or drainage ditches. Do not apply if heavy rain is expected. Apply this product only to your lawn/garden, and sweep any product that lands in the driveway, sidewalk, or street, back onto your lawn/garden."

- This statement is to appear on lawn fertilizer at the retail outlets.
- If the product is a fertilizer/pesticide mixture, the current EPA Caution Statement is acceptable.
- If the lawn product is fertilizer, this statement (exact language as stated above) must appear on the product labels.

Maximum Coverage:

Maximum coverage area per container or bag shall be displayed prominently on the Front of the container or bag:

- MAXIMUM COVERAGE 5,000 Sq. Ft.
- FEEDS UP TO 5,000 Sq. Ft.
- This product covers 5,000 square feet, This bag feeds 4,000 square feet.

Nitrogen: Nitrogen shall not be applied at an application rate greater than 0.7 lbs of readily available nitrogen per 1000 ft² at any one time based on the soluble fraction of formulated fertilizer, with no more than 1 lb total N per 1000 ft² to be applied at any one time and not to exceed the annual nitrogen recommendations in the Fertilization Guidelines for Established Turfgrass Lawns in Three Regions of Florida, set forth herein.

Fertilization Guidelines for Established Turfgrass Lawns in Three Regions of Florida

Species	Nitrogen recommendations (lbs N / 1000 ft ² / year)*		
	North	Central	South
Bahiagrass	2-3	2-4	2-4
Bermudagrass	3-5	4-6	5-7
Centipedegrass	1-2	2-3	2-3
St. Augustinegrass	2-4	2-5	4-6
Zoysiagrass	3-5	3-6	4-6

North Florida is north of Ocala. Central Florida is defined as south of Ocala to a line extending from Vero Beach to Tampa. South Florida includes the remaining southern portion of the state.

Phosphate: Application rate for phosphorous shall not exceed 0.25 lbs. P₂O₅/1000 ft² per application and not exceed 0.50 lbs. P₂O₅/1000 ft² per year.

Fertilizers labeled as, or formulated for use as, starter fertilizer shall have use directions that do not exceed an application rate of 1.0 lb of P₂O₅/ 1,000 ft² and that subsequent applications shall be made with products meeting the definition of Low or No Phosphate fertilizers. The term "starter fertilizer" shall be part of the brand name.

Fertilizer other than Specialty Fertilizer for lawns/turf.

These bmp statements must appear on either the product label, invoice or delivery ticket.

FOR FLORIDA:

We recommend that you follow the Green Industries BMP's at:

<http://www.flaes.org/pdf/Green%20Industries%20BMP's.pdf>

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We recommend that you follow the Golf Course BMP's at:

<http://www.flaes.org/pdf/Golf%20Course%20BMP's.pdf>

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