

INSTALLATION OF

## BLUEGRASS SOD



## **INSTALLATION TIPS**

- The site should be smooth and firm enough that when walked on, no footprints are visible. It should also be free of rocks, clods, and other debris which could interfere with good soil contact.
- It is beneficial to fertilize the bare ground before installation of the sod. We recommend Milorganite or some other organic fertilizer to prevent burning the exposed roots.
- You should begin watering as soon as possible, preferably within 1 hour of installation.
   Watering should be long enough to soak the sod and ground below.
- If you have access to a roller it can be beneficial to roll the sod after allowing the soil to dry slightly. This will guarantee good sod to soil contact and eliminates air pockets that can form when sod is walked on during installation or the watering process.
- For the first seven days water daily depending on temperature, do not allow the top layer of the sod to dry out, this is where all the roots are located.
- After the first week and through the heat of the season you will need to water periodically to maintain a good quality turf.
- Sod should begin to root in to the soil in 1-3 weeks.
  You will be able to measure the progress by lifting a piece checking for root growth.
- Once the sod has established you can begin moving with the blades set high for the first few movings.