



Why Am I Treating Lawns During Ohio's Stay-At-Home Order?

Governor DeWine and Health Director Acton in their Executive Order outlined essential businesses which may continue to operate. Those include:

Critical trades. Building and Construction Tradesmen and Tradeswomen, and other trades including but not limited to plumbers, electricians, exterminators, cleaning and janitorial staff for commercial and governmental properties, security staff, operating engineers, HV AC, painting, moving and relocation services, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses and Operations;

The lawn care, turfgrass maintenance and landscape industry professionals are protectors of public health performing essential treatments and mowing to lawns and green spaces to reduce the transmission of dangerous and deadly diseases through pests like mosquitoes, ticks, fleas and rodents.

- Our professional treat lawns and green spaces for noxious weeds which can cause hay fever and cause further issues for those suffering from asthma, one of the high-risk groups for COVID-19.
- Healthy turfgrass means a healthy environment. Studies revealed that healthy turf filters pollutants from rainfall that prevents them from running off into drinking water sources.
- Spring is a make or break time for the plants that our industry manages. Similar to a farmer planting seeds in the spring for fall harvest, neglecting turfgrass care in the spring will cause months or longer to restore to full health and functionality.
- The activities necessary for our professionals to operate are able to be completed by an individual or pairing of individuals to comply with current social and physical distancing recommendations.