# DRY SEASON LAWN CARE CALENDAR



**Dormant lawns can look stressed.** However, this is a natural process of rest – not even water will wake a dormant lawn.

#### **April**

It is the beginning of the mowing off-season and an important time to adjust your watering. Overwatering is a common cause of lawn stress in Townsville.

#### May

As cooler nights set in, lawns will have slowed their growth as they become dormant.

Skip a watering day to encourage deeper root growth as they reach for stored water.

### June

Water no more than twice a week in the dry.

Frequent watering will promote weed growth by keeping weed seeds moist and viable.

# July

Lush lawns only need 25mm of water per week.

'Low and slow' application ensures the most amount of water reaches your soil.

# August

Test your soil pH levels and adjust if needed - download the soil fact sheet.

Add gypsum to improve the water infiltration in clay soils and build a strong lawn.

## September

Now is the perfect time to fertilise your lawn as growth rates pick up.

Invest in 'low flow' sprinklers as they are perfect for Townsville lawns.

### October

Lawn water loss through evaporation is highest in October. Only water between 5pm – 8am on your watering day.

Set your mower higher to cool the soil and reduce heat stress. Scan here for more watering and lawn care tips.

