

The Landscaper

Lawn Care & Garden Newsletter
for TerraLink Horticulture Inc.

**NEW
2011 SEED
MIXES**

Landscape Advisor
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Spring Has Sprung!

Let the Landscaping Begin!

With the cold weather behind us and the promise of a beautiful spring ahead, now is the time to get outside and get to work on the landscaping. Educate your clients about spring maintenance such as starting with a good site clean-up to remove any dead, damaged or diseased material and left over debris. They should know about spring pruning of shrubs and trees, except for the spring flowering ones, applying mulch to their planting beds and around trees and shrubs, plus dethatching and disease and pest monitoring in turf areas.

When your clients know that getting a jump start on planting, weeding and moss control will help make the remainder of the growing season easier and more enjoyable for all, you will be better prepared to provide the services they need, when they need them. Once a landscape client knows that neglected spring lawns and grounds will affect them the rest of the year, they should be calling you in the Spring to get started.

Weed / Moss Control

With many Municipalities now banning cosmetic chemicals for landscape use, you can control your weeds with softer products such as

- **NEW Fiesta** (Iron based) selective broadleaf weed control plus moss and algae control,

- **Munger's** (Horticultural Vinegar) non-selective weed control, and
- **Amazingly Green** (Corn Gluten – solid or liquid) fertilizer and pre-emergent weed seed control.



Always read labels though, as some products are non-selective and may harm your existing plantings or prevent your over-seeded grass seed from germinating.

Next, check for soil compaction, especially in high traffic areas. Moss may be a sign of compaction or poor drainage. Lawn aeration is the remedy, but is recommended for the Fall. Moss may also signal an imbalance in the soil pH. Grass prefers a neutral pH so to solve this problem, lime your soil. By getting a soil test done earlier in the year, you will know exactly how much lime and nutrients your soil

actually needs. TerraLink has an on-site testing lab. Please call for more information.

Don't waste your client's money by over applying. Liming is corrective, not preventative, so only apply if you know you need to. Dolopril and Calpril will supply your needs.



Dolopril is faster acting and can change the soil pH in a shorter time than regular Dolomite lime due to the construction of the prill.

Overseeding

When assessing your client's lawns and grassed areas are they patchy or neglected? If so, you may need to overseed to correct the problem. Apply a slow release fertilizer when you overseed. About 5 weeks after germination, apply a quick-release Nitrogen fertilizer. Fall is the preferred time to overseed but if needed, you can do this in the spring too. Make sure that you are choosing a grass seed mix that is suited to the growing conditions and climate of the area you live in. There are Richardson Seed mixes available for sun, shade, heat and cold, water wise and our exclusive RPR regenerating rye grass mixes. RPR has the added benefit that it will

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fill in the blank patches for you without additional seeding. Choose from our New 2011 Richardson Seed Selection. We have re-blended some of our top performing varieties to provide you with options for any climatic condition.



See our New 2011 Turf Seed Mixes for the correct overseeding mix for your area - pg 3-4, or scan this QR code with your smartphone for a direct link to our website.

Insect Control

If the patchy areas on your turf are not from animal damage or disease, you may have insects in your soil feeding on the roots. Insects like Black Vine Weevil, European Chafer Bugs and Leather Jackets / Crane Flies can all cause considerable damage to turf and landscape plants. A wide variety of



biological controls such as nematodes are available for almost every type of pest control. Patience is required but well timed applications can offer the same control as chemical means without damaging your beneficial insect population. Pest insects cannot develop a resistance to beneficial and predatory insects, so there is no need to worry about using these as a control method year after year.

How to order Biological Controls from TerraLink:

TerraLink orders beneficials every Thursday for delivery on the following Tuesday (except statutory holidays). Order cut-off time is 12 PM (noon) Thursday.

Fly parasite orders are placed every other Thursday for delivery the following Wednesday.

Contact Cody for all your biological orders and assistance on how to choose the solutions right for you.

biocontrols@tlhort.com
or 1-800-661-4559

Biological Product Guide

With many communities banning cosmetic pesticide use, biocontrols are becoming the environmentally friendly alternative to controlling pests in turf, ornamentals and home flower or vegetable gardens. For copies of our Biological Product Guide, please contact marketing@tlhort.com.

Spring Fertilizer

Don't forget to give your landscape plantings and grass a good feeding of spring and starter fertilizers such as **18-18-18 with 50% CRN** from UFLEXX (Controlled Release Nitrogen) or **16-32-6**.



If you want to go the earth-friendly route you can try **EarthLink Complete Garden Food (7-4-7)** or **EarthLink Lawn Food (8-2-5)**.



Fertilizers help your plants grow healthy and strong. A slow release application is recommended as over-fertilizing is worse than none at all. This will give your plantings a slow and steady source of food all season long. Weed control should go hand in hand with your feeding schedule. If you are feeding the weeds and are not controlling

them, you are wasting money on fertilizer that is not going to your turf or landscape plants. We are manufacturers of lawn and garden granular fertilizers and carry a wide selection tailored for each season or customer expectation. Types include controlled release nitrogen, conventional as well as a wide array of Organic and Organic-Based fertilizers. Whatever your growing style, we are confident we can supply the products you need.

The secret of having a noteworthy landscape lies in providing sufficient nutrients, practicing effective weed and pest control plus following the proper mowing and maintenance regimen. Let us supply you with the tools to make this a reality.

Clearance Items

We currently have a clearance of Evergreen & Broadleaf Fertilizer due to a labelling and package change earlier this year. Perfect for Spring applications and if you need more, we can supply further stock with a new look.

Locations

TerraLink has two key distribution sites in the Lower Mainland to serve you better. Prompt delivery service available.

TerraLink Horticulture Inc.

464 Riverside Road, Abbotsford

Tel: 604-864-9044

Provides scheduled delivery to Fraser Valley, Coquitlam, Fraser River North Shore, Surrey and outlying areas.

Roddick Fertilizers

TerraLink Delta Location

4119 40th Street, Ladner

Tel: (604) 946-2771

Provides scheduled daily deliveries to Vancouver, Burnaby, New Westminster, Richmond, Delta and Surrey.



For current opening hours, please visit www.tlhort.com or scan this code with a free QR Scanner on your smartphone.

TURF SEED



Richardson Seed has been supplying the landscaping industry with grass seed for more than 30 years. We offer full product lines of turf seed mixes for residential lawns and professional turf applications. Most of our varieties are highly rated with NTEP (the National Turfgrass Evaluation Program), which is the quality standard for the turfgrass industry. Our attention to quality ensures you are provided with the best turf seed possible. For detailed data sheets on all our mixes, please inquire or visit us online at www.tlhort.com.

Lawn Seed Mixtures

RichLAWN Deluxe:

For top-quality, well-maintained lawn areas with full sun to moderate shade. Seeding Rate: 5-7 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Amazing GS Perennial Ryegrass
- Keystone 2 Perennial Ryegrass
- Gibraltar Creeping Red Fescue
- Bridgeport II Chewings Fescue
- Shamrock Kentucky Bluegrass

RichLAWN All Purpose:

For general home and landscape use with full sun to moderate shade. Seeding Rate: 5-7 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Perennial Ryegrass
- Kentucky Bluegrass
- Creeping Red Fescue

RichLAWN Sun & Shade:

For fine textured lawns with dense shade to full sun. Seeding Rate: 5-7 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Keystone 2 Perennial Ryegrass
- Boreal Creeping Red Fescue
- Bridgeport II Chewings Fescue
- Cadet Kentucky Bluegrass

RichLAWN Overseeding:

A quality overseeding mixture for general home and landscape use with full sun to moderate shade. Seeding Rate: 7-10 lbs/1,000 sq.ft. Comprised of 4 top rated perennial ryegrass varieties.



RichLAWN Low Maintenance:

For areas requiring a low-growing drought-tolerant mixture with low maintenance requirements under full sun to moderate shade. Seeding Rate: 5-7 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- RPR Blend Perennial Ryegrass
- Barcrown II Slender Creeping Red Fescue
- Gibraltar Creeping Red Fescue
- Stonehenge Hard Fescue
- Quatro Sheep Fescue

Waterwise

The Waterwise Lawn is a blend of four fine fescues producing a fine-textured, lush lawn that is also low maintenance. It is suited to grow in both sun and shade. Once established, it will require less watering and less mowing than a traditional lawn. A wise choice for saving water.

Professional Turf Seed Mixtures

Premium Sportsturf:

A professional turf mixture for play fields, parks, and hard wear areas. Seeding Rate: 4-6 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- RPR Blend Perennial Ryegrass
- Gibraltar Creeping Red Fescue
- Wild Horse Kentucky Bluegrass
- Phenom Perennial Ryegrass
- RTF Tall Fescue
- Barduke Kentucky Bluegrass

Select Sportsturf:

A quality turf mixture for play fields, parks, and hard wear areas. Seeding Rate: 6-8 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Elfkin Perennial Ryegrass
- Perennial Ryegrass
- Creeping Red Fescue
- Kentucky Bluegrass

Sandfield Sportsturf:

A professional turf mixture for play fields, parks, and hard wear areas with sandy soils. Seeding Rate: 4-6 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Keystone 2 Perennial Ryegrass
- RPR Blend Perennial Ryegrass
- Home Run Perennial Ryegrass
- Shamrock Kentucky Bluegrass
- Wild Horse Kentucky Bluegrass

Interior Sportsturf:

A professional turf mixture formulated for the BC Interior for playfields, parks, and hard wear areas. Seeding Rate: 4-6 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Keystone 2 Perennial Ryegrass
- Pleasure Supreme Perennial Ryegrass
- Cadet Kentucky Bluegrass
- Volt Kentucky Bluegrass
- Wild Horse Kentucky Bluegrass

Links Golf:

A mixture of highly ranked varieties to work with the natural low input conditions of a links style course. Seeding Rate: 4-6 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Gibraltar Creeping Red Fescue

- Barcrown II Creeping Red Fescue
- Bridgeport II Chewing's Fescue
- Keystone 2 Perennial Ryegrass

Premium Tee & Fairway:

A top quality turf seed mixture formulated to make an excellent tee box seed blend. Seeding Rate: 8-12 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Keystone 2 Creeping Perennial Ryegrass
- Nobility Perennial Ryegrass
- RPR Blend Perennial Ryegrass
- Tiger II Colonial Bentgrass

Premium 4-Way Overseeding:

A premium quality professional turf mixture for overseeding. Seeding Rate: 8-12 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Pleasure Supreme Perennial Ryegrass
- Amazing GS Perennial Ryegrass
- RPR (1st Generation) Perennial Ryegrass
- RPR (2nd Generation) Perennial Ryegrass

4-Way Overseeding:

A quality professional turf mixture for overseeding. Seeding Rate: 8-12 lbs/1,000 sq.ft.

- Phenom Perennial Ryegrass
- Keystone 2 Perennial Ryegrass
- Nobility Perennial Ryegrass
- Elfkin Perennial Ryegrass



Beyond Turf

TerraLink offers a wide selection of Richardson Seed revegetation mixes, suitable for areas where a less formal or less manicured look is desired, or where disturbed soil needs to be protected.

From coastal to interior areas, we have mixes that are suitable. If you're looking for grasses that are low-growing, grass mixes that include wildflowers or perhaps native species, we can take care of it. We also do custom mixes to meet your specifications. Please inquire or visit us online at www.tlhort.com

For a copy of the
Spring 2011 Landscaper Product Listing,
please contact marketing@tlhort.com



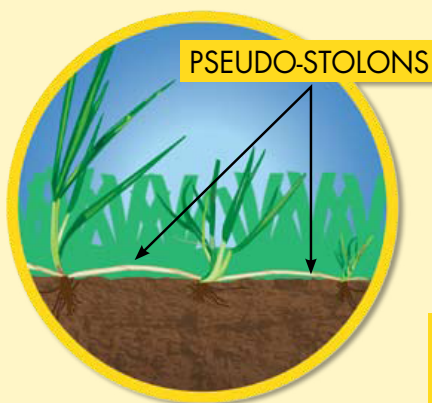
Sold exclusively in BC by TerraLink:

Regenerating Perennial Ryegrass for Turf



Improve your property with RPR

RPR is the latest introduction from the Barenbrug Seed Company. Barenbrug's exhaustive research has produced remarkable results that developed the regenerating perennial ryegrass product. RPR has 'pseudo-stolons' that allow for self-thickening turf. When a plant gets room it sends out a shoot or pseudo-stolon to fill in the gap.



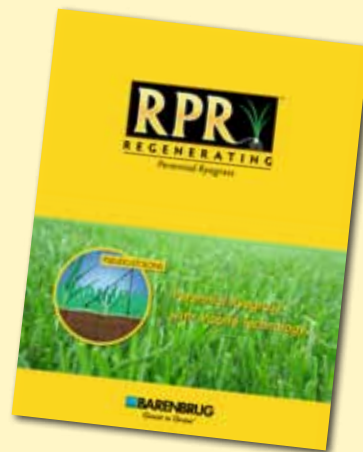
RPR Features:

- Great color
- Unrivalled wear tolerance
- Increased disease and drought tolerance
- High turf quality

RPR will make your customers turf look good, perform better and make you look good too!

TerraLink's RICHARDSON SEED line of turf seed mixes includes RPR in 5 featured Products:

- Premium 4-Way Overseeding Mix.
- Premium Sportsturf Mix.
- Sandfield Sportsturf Mix
- Richlawn Low Maintenance
- Premium Tee & Fairway



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