

Bumpy Lawns

Why is your lawn Bumpy?

Dry bumpy lawns are difficult to mow, annoying, and potentially dangerous. Many older lawns become rough and uneven over time as the grass thins out. A thin lawn means it has less grass and therefore does not have the same cushioning effect that thick lawns have. Poor maintenance, shade, drought, insects, disease, and other factors may have contributed to your lawn thinning. Restoring your lawn so that it has thick lush grass, will help you fix your bumpy lawn.



Freezing and thawing of the soil is also a big contributor to bumpy lawns. The repeated freezing and thawing lifts or "heaves" the soil, causing it to become bumpy.

Sometimes earthworms can cause bumpiness in the lawn, but this is not very common. Earthworms improve the lawn environment by helping to decompose thatch and increase water and air movement in the soil. A large presence of earthworms in the yard indicates that the soil is fertile and killing earthworms would not be recommended.



Getting rid of the bumps

The best way to get rid of the bumps in your lawn is to start a program that will promote a thick lush lawn. This includes proper fertilization, watering, aeration, and overseeding. Topdressing with Prescription Organic Matter will also help reduce the bumpiness. In certain cases it may be necessary to power rake

the lawn to break up some of the bumps.

Rolling your lawn is not a good option. It may get rid of the bumps temporarily but it also compacts the soil which will cause many other problems.



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