

SOS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: JANUARY LAWN CARE TIPS: WINTER AWARENESS

January is typically the quietest month for lawn growth, but there are still a few important things homeowners can do—and avoid protecting their lawn during the heart of winter.

Small actions now can prevent damage and make spring lawn care much easier.

Here are some helpful January lawn care tips to keep in mind:

Limit Traffic on Frozen Grass

Frozen or snow-covered lawns are especially vulnerable to damage. Walking, parking, or storing items on dormant turf can compact the soil and damage grass crowns, resulting in thin or dead spots in spring.



Use Ice Melt Carefully

Rock salt and harsh de-icing products can burn grass and disrupt soil health. Whenever possible, choose lawn- and pet-safe ice melt products and avoid pushing salt-treated snow onto lawn areas.

Watch for Winter Damage

Strong winds, heavy snow piles, or plowing can damage turf, shrubs, and lawn edges. Making note of problem areas now helps ensure they're addressed early when spring arrives.

Protect Lawn Features

Sprinkler heads, edging, and landscape borders can be damaged during snow removal. Keep these areas clearly marked and be cautious when shoveling or plowing near turf.

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