# Weed Control for Spring - Summer In Lawns - St. Augustine or Argentina Bahia Grass

Weed & Feed – that is the Question!! Answer is NO! Too hot & too wet will not successfully work this time of year. But these will . . . . . . . . .

Broad leaf weeds – Chickweed, Clover (Oxalis), Fla. Pusley, Lambsquarter, Ragweed, Spurge – just to name a few. (See Label for the Specific Weed you need to control) use:

Selective weed killers that can be applied now for Nutgrass also know as – Nutsedge, Purple Sedge or Yellow Sedge are:

#### Sedge Hammer Plus

Selective weed killer for Crabgrass, Basket grass, Chickweed, Clover & other similar weeds:

## Agralawn Crabgrass Control (Baking Soda)

For best results apply to wet grass, then the grass must be dry for several days to be effected – should not be applied if it is raining.

Then Apply a Pre-emergent will lessen and control the rate of germinations of the weed seeds. Alternate with these products:

Southern Ag Liquid Surflan Hi-Yield Crabgrass Control (Granular Balan & Trelan) Turf & Ornamental Weed & Grass Stopper (Dimension)

These products will prevent Crabgrass, Basket grass, Spurge, and Oxalis (clover). These pre-emergents should be applied 3-4 times a year for best results on your lawn. This works well with the Agralawn Crabgrass Control (Baking Soda)

If weeds are present in your lawn your pH might be slightly acid. Weeds love acid soils. The pH for Lawns: Bahia Grass 5.0 – 6.0 St. Augustine Grass 6.0 – 7.0 Apply Yard Right Dolomitic Limestone twice a year. Feb or Mar and again in July or Aug

Keeping your lawn well fertilizer, watered and mowed regularly at the proper height will help keep the weeds down and the seeds from germinating so the weeds won't reproduce as easily. Apply a 100% Organic 6-6-6 or Turf Builder Fertilizer 16-4-8 at least once a year.

Some weeds live on less water than your grass and other weeds prefer over watered lawns to grow best. If soil is compacted, spongy, soggy, water standing or wet areas and the grass won't grow apply

### **Pelletized Gypsum**

When you add gypsum to your lawn it breaks up compacted areas and aerates the soil so the grass will grow and come back.

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If weeds are present and growing in flower beds or shrubs

Sedge Hammer Plus for established plants, over the top if tall weeds Round-up Weed Killer to kill the small growing weeds

Hand pull and clean out the flower beds and around shrubs.

Once the weeds are dead when using weed killer, apply several days later follow with a preventer or a pre-emergent

> Liquid Surflan Treflan Granules (Preen) Turf & Ornamental Weed & Grass Stopper (Dimension)

Use four times a year Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter for best control. This will kill weed seeds as they start growing and emerge from the ground while doing little damage to established plants.

### In Vegetable Garden . . . . . . . . . . . .

If weeds are present and growing in your vegetable garden

Round-up Weed Killer - use to kill the growing weeds.

Hand pull and clean out the vegetable garden.

Solarize in the summer with the warmth of the sun for your fall garden. Till in fertilizer and limestone, level the ground and moisten. Then cover with clear plastic (2-6 mill thickness) for four to six weeks. This will cause solar heat to accumulate under the plastic and soil temperatures to increase to a point where weed seed, nematodes and soil borne diseases will be killed or suppressed.

Once the weeds are dead by Round-up, hand pulled or solarizes then follows a preventer or a pre-emergent. The following preventer that is safe for vegetables is:

**Treflan Granules** 

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