

## lenow & grow

## Why Sod?

## Why sod your lawn instead of seeding your lawn?

**The Time** that a new seeding generally takes is a year to 18 months to mature, a newly sodded lawn will be ready in an afternoon. The lawn can be used lightly for the first two weeks until the roots are fully established. After two weeks, the turf is ready for heavy usage.

**The Environment** is greatly affected by runoff and erosion. A seeding in this area will most likely be eroded considerably during the 18 months it takes to establish. Sod curtails almost all erosion immediately upon installation, and absorbs or filters most runoff. If you are performing ground work near the water, you can count on sod to significantly reduce your environmental impact.

**The Cost** of sod is less expensive than most people expect. While seeding may be less expensive than sod initially, you must consider the long term cost of returning to the jobsite and re-seeding areas lost to erosion, weeds, and disease. Many people finally decide to sod after battling their seeding for several years, only to be left with a patchy lawn full of weeds and bare spots.

**Grass Seed Blend** is constantly changing and getting better. We are continually searching for the best type of turf varieties for our region. Most seed bought in your local store is also sold everywhere across the country. Manufacturers select blends that grow "ok" everywhere. The seed we use in our sod is selected to thrive in our specific climate and soil type.

**Watering sod** requires significantly less water to establish than a seeding. While sod has to be watered daily for only about two weeks, a seeding requires daily waterings for several months. This is because the bare ground dries out much quicker during hot summer months. A thick layer of turf insulates soil moisture from sunlight and wind.