To protect our water, reduce fertilizer use, fertilize properly, and apply at the right time.

Suffolk County Law 41-2007

Fertilizer applications to lawns between November 1st and April 1st are **prohibited.** Violators may be fined up to \$1,000.

This law was passed to reduce nitrogen pollution in our groundwater and surface water caused by improper lawn fertilization.





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- Healthy lawns and landscapes can be successfully maintained in our area without or with minimal use of fertilizers.
- Nitrogen from fertilizers can be harmful to our groundwater and surface waters when applied improperly.
- Help reduce nitrogen pollution by applying the proper amounts of fertilizer at the right time.
- The best time to apply fertilizer to your lawn is late spring and/or early fall.
- Water properly and avoid applying water soluble fertilizer if heavy rainfall is expected.
- Consider the use of native plants which require fewer inputs like water and fertilizer to thrive in our landscapes.



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