

## **Last Call for Lawn Seed**

This is for all you last minute people that have been planning to seed a new lawn this summer, or was it spring? Your time is running out. You have days left, so if you haven't started raking you better start. If you haven't ordered topsoil you better order.

The reason to be in such a hurry is that you can't seed a lawn after the 15 to 20<sup>th</sup> of September. This is so that the grass has enough time to germinate before the soil cools off. It will also allow your lawn a little time to establish before it gets covered in snow. If you are unable to seed before September 20<sup>th</sup> and can't wait for spring, you can still try in October, but your results will be poor and you will need a lot of fertilizer in the spring to fill in the gaps. Your best bet in October is to use turf. Most turf is already 1-2 years old it will last the winter easily even when laid in November.

When selecting a lawn seed be sure to ask for red thread resistant varieties. Red thread or Corticium disease looks like the name describes, red thread like steams of grass throughout the lawn that give it a pink or red shade. It will not kill your lawn, but it doesn't look very nice at all. I've read that it can be controlled a little bit using fungicides, but not cured.

If you have any questions please call or come by and see us on Hwy. 16.