

GENERAL GROUNDS GUIDELINES

BY MONTH

Version 3.0

JANUARY-FEBRUARY

- Rake leaves and continue general clean-up
- Keep entryways and sidewalks clear of leaves
- Clear drains as needed
- Prune roses by Jan 31st
- Prune and shape deciduous trees
- Spread lawn seed on bare areas
- Repair wheel ruts in lawns and reseed
- Look for sinkholes
- Perform maintenance on equipment
- Examine trees for hanging branches
- Thatch all warm season grasses
- Apply Barricade to lawns for crabgrass prevention

MARCH-APRIL

- Spray all weeds in flower beds and shrub beds
- Prepare all flower beds for planting and plant appropriate bedding plants by April 15th
- Apply Ronstar or Surflan pre-emergent to control weed seeds
- Fertilize flower beds
- Aerate all lawns
- Apply Complete Fertilizer to all lawns by April 15th
- Spray Kikuyu grass with Turflon
- Fertilize Palm trees with Scott's Osmacote Palm food
- Spray Palms for Diamond Scale Fungus
- Trim ivy on Tower Hall
- Trim ivy beds and groundcover back from sidewalks
- Trim shrubs except those ready to flower
- Edge lawns twice a month
- Check all irrigation for broken heads, valves, etc.
- Mow lawns weekly
- Apply snail bait except to Agapanthus
- Complete all area evaluations by April 30th.

MAY-JUNE

- Prepare for Commencement (last weekend in May)
- Continue routine sweeping of sidewalks
- Prune shrubs as needed
- Complete any heavy pruning of shrubs by May 1st.

Continue to check irrigation twice a month in assigned areas
Spray weeds as needed
Mow lawns weekly
Start landscaping projects

JULY-AUGUST

Fertilize lawns with Scotts Weed and Feed
Apply Fertilizer with Barricade to prevent Poa annua grass from germinating
Fertilize Palms with Scotts Osmacote Palm
Spray weeds with Round Up and Ronstar or Surflan
Keep tree rings free of weeds
Trim trees near sidewalks to 7 feet high
Spray Kikuyu grass with Turflon
Reseed sprayed areas
Late July divide and transplant Iris
Keep flower beds fertilized
Continue to check irrigation twice monthly
Keep sprinkler heads clear of grass
Edge sidewalks every two or three weeks
Prune shrubs and groundcovers as needed
Prepare for first day of classes
Complete all area evaluations by July 30th.

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

Spray shrub and flower beds for fall germinating weeds
Plant trees and shrubs
Renovate, aerate and reseed lawns by Oct 31st
Trim Tower Hall ivy
Plant fall flowers, bulbs, etc. by Oct 31st
Cut Acanthus to ground during September
Apply Complete Turf Fertilizer to lawns by Sept 30th
Complete landscaping projects
Fertilize Palms with Osmacote
Complete all area evaluations by October 31st

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

Apply Merit to Elm trees
Apply Merit to all Japanese Magnolias by Dec 24th
Rake leaves
Keep sidewalks clear
Clear drains
Preventative maintenance on irrigation controllers