

# New for Austin! Fertilizer Recommendations



 **1. Test your soil** (soil test envelopes available in the Grow Green display)

 **2. If your soil test shows:**

**Use:**

Low to Very Low Nitrogen
Moderate Nitrogen
High Nitrogen

$\frac{1}{2}$ lb nitrogen/1,000 sq ft two times per year
$\frac{1}{2}$ lb nitrogen/1,000 sq ft one time per year
DO NOT FERTILIZE

Apply no more than the moderate rate if soil test is unavailable

 **3. Don't bag grass clippings** (they are free, natural fertilizer)

 **4. Choose carefully – organic and natural fertilizers out-performed synthetics in a recent study**

 **5. Do not over-fertilize!** (see below)

Fertilizer N-P-K (Nitrogen-Phosphorus-Potassium)	Fertilizer needed to supply 1/2 pound of nitrogen/1000 sq. feet
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**Great Choices!**

Natural	<b>6-1-1</b>	8 pounds fertilizer / 1000 sq. feet
	<b>8-2-4</b>	6 pounds fertilizer / 1000 sq. feet
	<b>9-1-1</b>	5.5 pounds fertilizer / 1000 sq. feet
Synthetic	<b>15-5-10</b>	3 pounds fertilizer / 1000 sq. feet
	<b>21-0-0</b>	2.5 pounds fertilizer / 1000 sq. feet
	<b>29-3-4</b>	1.5 pounds fertilizer / 1000 sq. feet

See details in the Grow Green Lawn Care Fact Sheet

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