

## Getting the Most from Your Weed Management Program

Weed control can be a challenge in Florida. By understanding how we treat, what to expect, and how you can assist our efforts, you'll be sure to get the best looking lawn possible!

The weeds in your lawn are treated with a systemic herbicide with each service. By traveling through the vascular system of the plant, the product targets the weed internally. Because this process takes time, some species take several weeks to show signs of decline.

Because overapplied herbicides will damage your lawn, herbicide labels prescribe a holding period before reapplication. This allows your turf to rebound while weeds die off. Holding periods vary from 4 - 8 weeks depending on the product, so patience is key.

A blue dye will indicate treated weeds. This will fade quickly, but the product will continue to work for weeks. Any remaining weeds will be retreated safely after the label allows or with your next treatment.

## Why Do We Get Weeds?

While all lawns will have at least a few weeds, an abundance of weeds is usually an indication of an underlying condition like poor soil composition or excessive shade.

The most common cause of weeds we find is improper irrigation settings; especially under-watering in spring and summer when keeping your turf hydrated is critical. Weeds thrive even where your lawn can't, so when

a dry lawn begins to wither... weeds will take hold.

As we target weeds and provide a balanced nutrient program, we hope you'll follow

our irrigation recommendations so your lawn can keep a strong defense. Choosing Deans is the first step towards reducing weeds and your coopera-



tion will help us deliver the best results possible!

RECOMMENDED WATERING SCHEDULE						
	$\cap$		Times weekly	( PGP	МР	
86°+		3/4″	3	45 mins	105 mins	
76-85°		1/2″	2	30 mins	70 mins	
46-75°		1/2″	1	30 mins	70 mins	
< 46°		Do not water				

- PGP (Professional Grade Pop-up) heads have a higher output.
- MP (Matched Precipitation) sprinklers have a lower output.
- Established ornamentals require 20 minutes, twice per week.
- Suggestions are approximate. Adjustments may be required.
- Local restrictions may apply.