

Zone 8A Centipede Grass Lawn Maintenance

	Mowing	Fertilization	Watering	Weed Control	Aeration	Dethatching	Insect Control	Fungus Control	Soil Amendment	Renovation
January	-	-	During Dry Spell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	During Dry Spell	-	-	-	-	-	Apply lime or sulfur if test recommends.	-
March	1.25 inches	-	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	Early March: Apply Pre-Emergence Herbicide	-	-	Control for White Grubs	-	-	-
April	1.25 inches	Late April: Spray iron sulfate or chelated iron as needed for yellow appearance.	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	-	-	-	Control for White Grubs	Preventive Fungicide Treatment	-	-
May	1.25 inches	0.25 lb/1000 sq. ft. using high potassium fertilizer (5-5-15 or 8-8-24)	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	Post-Emergence for Annual and Broadleaf 3 Weeks After Green-up	Late May: Core Aeration	Late May: Dethatch if Thicker Than 0.50 inch	Control for White Grubs	-	-	Overseed Bare Areas
June	1.25 inches	0.25 lb/1000 sq. ft. using high potassium fertilizer (5-5-15 or 8-8-24)	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	Post-Emergence for Annual and Broadleaf	-	-	Insect Treatment	-	-	-
July	1.25 inches	0.25 lb/1000 sq. ft. using high potassium fertilizer (5-5-15 or 8-8-24)	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	Post-Emergence for Annual and Broadleaf	-	-	Control for White Grubs	-	-	-
August	1.25 inches	0.25 lb/1000 sq. ft. using high potassium fertilizer (5-5-15 or 8-8-24)	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	Post-Emergence for Annual and Broadleaf	-	-	Control for White Grubs	-	-	-
September	1.25 inches	-	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain	-	-	-	Control for White Grubs	-	-	-
October	Early October: 1.25 inch Mid-October: 1.50 inch	Mid-October: 1.00 lb/1000 sq. ft. potassium (K2O) using 0-0-60 or 0-0-50.	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain <i>until dormancy</i>	Late October: Grassy Pre-Emergent	-	-	Control for White Grubs	Preventive Fungicide Treatment	-	-
November	-	-	1 in/week or 0.50 inch every third day without rain <i>until dormancy</i>	Apply broadleaf as necessary, Use selective herbicides such as atrazine or simazine to control grasses and winter annual broadleaves.	-	-	-	-	-	-
December	-	-	During Dry Spell	Apply broadleaf as necessary, Use selective herbicides such as atrazine or simazine to control grasses and winter annual broadleaves.	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Notes:**
- Use fertilizer without phosphorus (15-0-14, 8-0-24) if soil test reveals moderate-high levels of phosphorus.
 - You need to apply 1/2 pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet, but how much fertilizer do you need to buy? Divide 50 by the FIRST number on the fertilizer bag. For example, if you've got a 5-5-15 fertilizer, you divide 50 by 5 and you get 10. That means you need to buy 10 pounds of fertilizer for every 1,000 square feet of lawn.
 - You need to apply 1 pound of potash per 1,000 square feet, but how much fertilizer do you need to buy? Divide 100 by the THIRD number on the fertilizer bag. For example, if you've got a 6-6-12 fertilizer, divide 100 by 12 and you get 8.3. That means you need to buy 8.3 pounds of fertilizer for every 1,000 square feet of lawn.