

3 Winter Causes of Lawn Damage and How To Prevent Them

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What happens to grass in the winter in Utah? Well, just the wind and cold temperatures in the region can be tough on a beautiful lawn! Lawn winterization treatments make the most of winter as an opportunity to promote a healthy lawn. But, there are a few special problems that you should be aware of and need to address to ensure that your Utah lawn is not damaged during the winter and can flourish with gorgeous lush green grass as soon as spring arrives.

How Can I Stop Winter Lawn Damage?

Here are three key issues you should take action to prevent lawn damage and ensure that you can fully enjoy a beautiful rich green turf lawn throughout the warm months every year.

Snow Mold Prevention

Pay attention to grass in areas of your lawn where snow and ice seem to take longer to melt away. For example, shaded areas are especially susceptible to snow mold (a grass-damaging fungus) due to lingering ice and snow after the rest of the yard has long been dried by direct sunlight.

Snow mold fungus can cause extensive damage and even kill large areas of grass. The snow mold, like other mold species, thrives in moist environments. So, rake away leaves from grass areas that are vulnerable to mold to prevent dead grass from appearing as your first sign of snow mold infestation.

Lawn Grub Infestation Remedy

Lawn grubs are beetle larvae that lie dormant under the soil surface in your yard through the cold months of autumn and winter, then resurface in the warmer spring and summer months. They start devouring the roots of your grass. As lawn grubs mature into adults, the beetles eat plants and flowers, often devastating, beautiful gardens. Then, they lay their eggs, and the annual cycle of reinfestation continues until you take decisive action.

Don't just pick a pesticide at your garden supply store. Those often contain harsh chemicals that damage your lawn and might not even eliminate the grub infestation. Seek professional grub control service. Big League Utah lawn experts specialize in grub control.

Winter Lawn Damage Repair

During the roughest winter periods, keeping snow under control requires winter road and walkway maintenance equipment, tools, and materials, like snowplows, shovels, snowblowers, road salt, etc. These can be very destructive to lawns, especially along the periphery, where the perimeters of grass lawns meet the edges of walkways, driveways, and roads. Additionally, natural and manmade debris can become embedded under snow along the edges of lawns on roads and walkways, promoting mold or other lawn damage.

Often, by springtime, some areas along these yard borders are beyond standard cleanup, repair, or revitalization. They must be reseeded or have new replacement sod installed. If you need to implement one of those lawn remedies, do it early in the spring. That will give your new grass as long as possible to take root firmly and grow strong enough to withstand the stress of summer heat in Utah.

Keep in mind, although it is essential to undertake any lawn damage repairs as early in the spring as possible, the soil must not be too frozen or too muddy when you replant.

For Solutions To Winter Lawn Damage, Contact Big League Lawns

We are a Utah lawn care company that provides lawn fertilization, aeration, lawn pest control, and winterization. If you are not sure about how to prepare your lawn for winter, prevent damage during the cold months, we can help. Contact Big League lawn cultivation experts to learn more about winter lawn care in Utah and how to revive grass after winter.

Ask for a FREE lawn evaluation and help from a Utah lawn rehab specialist on how to protect the grass in winter. We're here to help you prevent typical damage that occurs due to neglect of proper lawn winterization in this area of the country.

For more information about wintertime lawn care in Utah, call Big League Lawns at (801) 773-9999, or use our online contact request to schedule a FREE Lawn Analysis!
