

# 5 Smart Mowing Tips for a Lush, Green Lawn

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In order to keep your lawn looking its best, you must use professional lawn mowing techniques to avoid killing the grass. Otherwise, your lush, green grass can quickly turn brown and splotchy, leaving you with a mess on your hands. Learning how to cut grass properly is easy to do. You just have to follow these five mowing tips to achieve the best results.

## Keep Lawn Mower Blades Sharp

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Sharp lawn mower blades are a must in keeping your lawn in great shape. Aim to sharpen them at least twice per season. Otherwise, the dull blades will inefficiently hack at the grass, leaving a ragged, uneven edge. Plus, dull blades take longer to cut the grass, which results in having to make more passes to get the job done. The battered grass then struggles to recover and remains susceptible to pests and weeds in the meantime.

## Set the Right Blade Height

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When cutting the grass, you need to set the lawnmower blades at just the right height to trim away 1/3 of the lawn each time. ***If you cut too low, the grass will lose its energy reserves and start to grow weak.*** This could leave it vulnerable to weeds and pests, especially if it is repeatedly cut short. If the grass remains too tall, however, the tall blades could block light to the new grass, resulting in bare spots over time.

## Alternate Mowing Patterns

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When exploring how to mow a lawn professionally, one thing you will learn is to alternate your mowing patterns. Move between horizontal, vertical, and diagonal directions each time you mow. With that approach, you can keep your lawn looking uniform and growing strong all throughout the year.

## **Strategically Bag Grass Clippings**

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When you strategically bag grass clippings, you give your lawn just what it needs all through every season. During the spring and fall months, the grass needs the removal of thatch to continue getting enough water and nutrients. For that reason, it is best to bag the clipping during those months, which also helps create a neater appearance. In the summer, however, consider leaving the clippings to release nutrients and keep moisture in the soil during the hot months. The exception is if the clippings are especially long or heavy.

## **Hire a Pro to Remove Weeds and Fertilize**

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Even with excellent mowing techniques, some lawns require weed removal and fertilization. This is where an experienced lawn care company like Big League Lawns comes into play. With our help, you can complete all the key spring lawn preparation techniques to enjoy green grass year-round.

## **Contact the Experts at Big League Lawns**

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When you use all the above lawn mowing tips in your lawn care routine, you will be well-rewarded with an abundance of rich, green grass. If tough weeds or stubborn grubs appear despite your best efforts, call 801-876-1835 to team up with the pros at Big League Lawns. With our expertise on your side, you will knock lawn care out of the park and maximize the curb appeal of your home. Call today for a fast and free lawn care analysis.