

Suggest Maintenance Calendar for Bermudagrass Athletic Fields

Management	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Comments
Fertilization			* 1	*	*	*	*	1					Monthly nitrogen during spring and summer. *Fertilize overseed.
Liming	2	1, 2									2	2	According to soil test.
Mowing													Mow at least 2 times per week when growing.
Irrigation													As necessary; water deeply.
Aerification		1							1				Core aerification if possible.
Dethatch		1											Aug-Sept if overseeding.
Broadleaf Weed Control													Younger weeds easier to control.
Pre Crabgrass													Be careful with damaged turfgrass.
Post Crabgrass													Repeated applications of MSMA .
Insect Control													Broadcast baits to reduce ant populations
Disease Control			*	*	*	*	*						*Monitor overseed for disease.
Overseeding with ryegrass		1	1	1									Overseed with <u>perennial</u> ryegrass.
Seeding a new field									1		1		Mid to late spring is the best time for seeding bermudagrass.

1/ if appropriate for your part of the state i.e. north vs. south Louisiana.

2/ secondary choice and not if hot and dry.

Recommended time- blue colored

Could be done at this time- green colored