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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Late Fall Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Extra Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Please remit within *30 days of the date of service* to the address shown above.

**Please pay from this invoice, but keep this invoice/bulletin for your records.** Thank you.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Late Fall Bulletin**

Your Late Fall Treatment provides the following:

- o A pH Soil Test -- The soil's pH has an effect on many of the nutrients in the soil and the availability of these nutrients to the grass plants.
- o Lime -- The soil in this area is acidic and is normally low in calcium. We will be applying a product that will maintain not only a proper soil pH, but also maintain the proper balance of nutrients in the soil.
- o Late Fall Fertilization -- An application of micro-nutrients which encourages continued root development this season and will promote earlier Spring green-up next season. Our company performs soil testing to determine your lawn's nutrient levels and design our custom-blended fertilizer to fit your lawn's requirements.
- o Weed Control -- An application to help eliminate annual and perennial weeds still surviving this year. A sticking agent is added so that if a rainfall comes after the treatment, the control will still be effective.

**Caution**

*To avoid possible skin or eye irritation you should not walk without shoes or allow children or pets to play on your lawn until the products just applied have been watered in.*

**Watering Procedures**



1. After your lawn service is completed, give your lawn a good soaking to water the products into the soil. If it is too cold to water your lawn after your service, it is advisable to delay cutting your lawn or raking the leaves for a few days to allow the products to work into the soil.
2. In the Fall, the lawns become drier than most people realize due to windy days, trees absorbing moisture before winter dormancy, and cooler temperatures. Therefore, your lawn should be watered as needed. If there is not measurable rainfall for a week, make sure that you provide a good soaking, especially if extensive seeding was done in the Fall service. Continue watering until the weather prohibits.

3. For those customers who have a sprinkler system, you will need to water three times a week because of the amount of time needed to be sure each zone is properly watered – especially if extensive seeding was done in the Fall. Due to the cooler temperatures this time of year, you need to set your sprinkler to start later in the morning, for example at 10 a.m. rather than 5 a.m. You may also reduce the amount of time each zone is on. Please do not set the system to come on the day your lawn is scheduled to be mowed. Unless directed otherwise by our company, you can schedule your sprinkler system's winterization after November 15<sup>th</sup>.



### **Mowing Procedure**

1. Use a sharp blade.
2. Mow with regularity, although you may only need to mow your lawn every 10 to 14 days, but do not wait any longer than that.
3. Due to the arrival of cooler temperatures and the fact that it is easier to clean up your leaves, you may lower your mowing height to 3 inches at this time; however, please never lower your mowing height below the 3-inch mowing height.
4. Continue to recycle or mulch clippings, until such time as the leaves start to fall heavily. At that time, we would recommend bagging the clippings, which will remove the leaves at the same time.
5. Alternate mowing directions.
6. Mow when lawn is completely dry.
7. Mow the lawn for as long as necessary, especially as the grass continues growing into late November and early December. It is not healthy for your lawn blades to be very high and bending over. In addition, at the regular cutting height, blowing leaves are less likely to get caught in the grass.



### **Leaf Removal**

The easiest and safest way of removing leaves from your lawn is to remove them with a lawn mower bag while cutting.

For heavier amounts of leaves, raking is not a problem on established turf. But on newly-seeded, shady or shallow-rooted areas, heavy raking may be damaging. A suggestion might be to either rake these areas lightly or (if you have one) to use a leaf blower that would remove the leaves off the weak areas onto established turf, driveway, street or sidewalk where they can be raked into bags.

It is important that you continue to remove the leaves from your lawn as long as they continue to fall, especially where they can create a problem. This means raking and clearing right into December and January.

***Leaves left on the lawn cause dead areas and other problems.***

If you need any assistance in leaf removal, please contact us early and we will make arrangements for a cleanup.

***SIGN POSTING:*** *If a sign has been placed on your lawn, please remove the sign after the lawn products have been watered in or after 72 hours whichever occurs first. Then properly dispose of the sign or **keep** it for reuse with the next service.*

***EMAIL ADDRESSES:*** *If you have not already provided it, please give us your email address or any new or updated email address you have. Contact us at [Finolawn@gmail.com](mailto:Finolawn@gmail.com) or on 302-792-2201. We are now using email to alert our customers about drought regulations, watering requirements and other crucial issues that arise throughout the season and we want to be sure all of our customers are on our email list.*

**Finocchiario Lawn & Landscape is not responsible for conditions on your lawn which are beyond our control, such as extended high temperatures, drought damage, mandatory watering restrictions (if applicable) and customers not following watering and mowing instructions which are printed on each service bulletin or available anytime online at our website.**

**This is your lawn's last treatment for this season. We will contact you in late January/early February for next season. Have a wonderful winter.**