

Why sod rather than seed?

- Sod provides **an immediate visual impact** on your site. The green appearance of a newly seeded lawn is visual only. **The sod and its root mass** is where the **strength and wearability** is located.
- Sod provides **usability in 2 -3 weeks**. Seeded grass is not usable in a traffic situation for 1 season.
- Sod can withstand excessive rainstorms much better than newly seeded lawns, it is much **easier to hold together a sloped area in the wet season..**
- The thick mat of sod will **fend off weeds** on the open soil, compared to several weed killing applications that will be needed with seed. **Herbicides are not allowable in many municipalities anymore.**
- Sod needs to stay consistently moist to establish roots for the first 2 weeks only. Seed will require much more water for a longer period of time as it evaporates quickly on bare soil and will take a full season to mature.
- Sod **can be installed any time the ground is not frozen**, whereas seeding is best done in the late spring or early fall.

Watering is restricted every summer in the Comox Valley and makes growing a seed lawn impossible. Sod will only require daily watering for the first 2 weeks only.

MORE ECO-FRIENDLY USING LESS WATER AND CHEMICALS

The bottom line on sod vs seed: seeding will have a lower initial cost than sod. But, in the long run the amount of watering, fertilizing, care (risk of failures or washouts), and weed killing applications *will be much more expensive than sod*. The sod arrives as a finished product on day one and seeding will take at least 1 season to compare. Your new sod yard will be usable in 2-3 weeks.