

GARDEINING BY THE MOON
ADDRESSING WEEDS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE!

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In your lawn and beds, you may be thinking that because we are heading into fall, pesky weeds will not be a problem. This is a big mistake! Weeds that are a problem in the spring and early summer, are still in the soil in the fall just waiting to germinate again this fall and start growing vigorously in the spring. Dandelion and henbit are two of the biggest culprits. The best way to prevent these weeds next year is to apply a pre-emergent weed control between September 15 and October 15 in your turf and bed areas.

If you follow the below schedule for pre-emergent weed control and fertilization, you will eventually win the battle with weeds and your weed problem will lessen.

September 15 – Apply a pre-emergent weed control such as Preen or Halts to beds and turf areas.

February 15 – (I know it is winter but this is still important!) Apply a pre-emergent weed control such as Preen or Halts to beds and turf areas.

May 15 - Apply a pre-emergent weed control such as Preen or Halts to beds and turf areas.

If you have any breakthrough weeds in your turf, you can treat with Weed Control for Southern Grasses. Just follow the label recommendations for rates and timing. For bed areas, hand remove any residual weeds.

Fertilize your turf and beds 4 times per year to encourage healthy, vigorous growth of your plant materials. Use a slow-release fertilizer that has a high first number on the fertilizer bag.

All the above materials can be purchased at a local garden store, Home Depot or Lowes.

Don't give up the fight! You can win by following the above guidelines.

