Preparing your lawn for winter

One way to a healthy lawn next spring is to start this fall. Healthy well maintained lawns are less likely to have weeds and need little or no chemicals. Topdressing and overseeding may take a bit of effort now, but you’ll be pleased with the results next spring.

1. mow one last time before hard frost sets in (keep grass at 6 cm / 2.5 inches).
2. aerate the lawn if your soil is compacted.
3. rake a thin layer of compost or topsoil (1 cm / 1/2 inch) into the grass.
4. seed at a rate of 5 kg/100 sq m and lightly rake into the topdressing. Get a more drought tolerant lawn by using Creeping Red Fescue, Hard Fescue, Fine Fescue or Perennial Ryegrass seed.

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