



How to Renovate a Pasture

1. PASTURE PREPARATION

*Graze or mow the pasture down to a height of 6" to assure maximum soil/seed contact. Till any bare areas to loosen the soil for the seed and clean up any debris left after preparation. The more you open up the soil, the better the new seedlings will establish. Apply starter fertilizer such as our **Cascade Green 15-16-16**.*

2. SEEDING

Apply seed at the rate of 25 lbs. / acre, covering the area evenly. Water the entire area lightly if possible to assure good soil/seed contact.

3. WATERING

Keep the seed moist for 30 days, until germination is complete (rain or irrigation), keeping the seed damp but not soaking wet. A new planting should never be allowed to dry out. Infrequent, deep watering after 30 days encourages the plants to produce a deeper root system, increasing their drought tolerance and reducing their need for fertilizer.

4. GRAZING

Animals can be returned to the pasture 60 days after establishment. This period allows the new plants to establish and form a root system that will allow them to tolerate grazing and wear. Never graze off more than 1/2 of the plant.

5. WEED CONTROL

Weed seed is present in the soil. If weeds sprout in your new pasture, wait for 45 days before applying a weed killer as new plants are easily killed by a premature application. Apply a weed killer approved for pastures, following all label directions.

6. FERTILIZING

For faster establishment and a healthier pasture, fertilize 4-6 weeks after seeding. A spring and fall fertilization should be a part of your yearly pasture care.

