

## Turfing Aftercare

- Turf needs plenty of watering. In dry and windy conditions, the turf can dry out quickly. It is very important in these conditions to water it daily for the first 2/3 weeks and then every few days or as required.

- The turf should be watered with a sprinkler to allow even water spread over the turf. The turf should be watered enough so that the soil underneath was damp but not waterlogged.

- Cooler temperatures may mean less watering but it's still worth making sure that the turf isn't drying out around the edges and on the joints, if there's any shrinkages, please water.

- Watering is best carried out either early morning or late afternoon/early evening, when the day is cooler and can soak into the soil before evaporating.

- It is worth trying to keep off the turf as much as possible for the first 2/3 weeks during the growing season (march-November) and 3/4 weeks during the slow growing season. This is to allow the turf to root in and then establish. It can be tested by trying to pull it up, if you can its worth staying off it for longer until the roots are firm. This should include children and pets as any running and sudden turning can cause damage to the edges and joints and will affect the finished product.

- The lawn can be mown after 2 weeks if required, but on a higher than normal cut. Use a light wheeled mower rather than a heavy roller mower as this may cause damage to the joints and edges. Avoid mowing the lawn after watering or when the site is waterlogged. All cuttings should be collected and removed during mowing.

- Avoid using any fertilizers on the lawn for the first 2 months and any chemicals for at least 6 months as it might cause damage to the new lawn.

