

# Turf And Ornamental Soil Sample Information

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## Customer

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Date		
Company Contact Person		

## Company

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone Number		
Fax Number		

Select from recommendation and turf codes below. See reverse side for additional information.

Sample Identification <i>Up to 12 characters</i>	Recommendation Code	Turf Code	Test Package			Additional Test Requested							Lab Use Only	
			T1	T2	T3	B	NN	Na	SS	S	ST	pH		

## Recommendation Codes

Cool Season Turf	Warm Season Turf	Ornamentals	Garden
301 Bentgrasses	350 Bahiagrass	87 Acid Loving Shrubs	53 Fruit Trees
305 Kentucky Bluegrass	351 Bermudagrass	88 Non Acid Loving Shrubs	58 Grapes
310 Fine Fescue	354 Centipedegrass	98 Deciduous Trees	61 Vegetable Garden
314 Tall Fescue	358 St. Augustine	100 Roses	1646 Perennial Flowers
317 Perennial Ryegrass	360 Zoysiagrass	884 Conifer Trees	1647 Annual Flowers
Other _____	Other _____	Other _____	Other _____

## Turf Codes

L: Lawn
S: Lawn Seeding
AF: Athletic Field
F: Fairway
PG: Putting Green
R: Rough
T: Tee

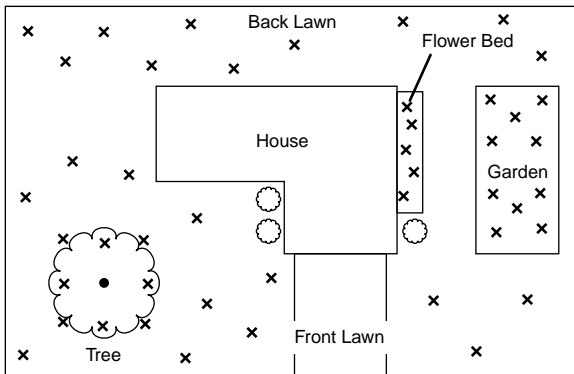
## Test Codes

T1: Basic Soil Test Package
T2: Basic Soil Test with Micronutrients
T3: Complete Soil Test Package
B: Boron
NN: Nitrate Nitrogen
Na: Sodium
SS: Soluble Salts
S: Sulfate Sulfur
ST: Soil Texture
pH: pH Test Only

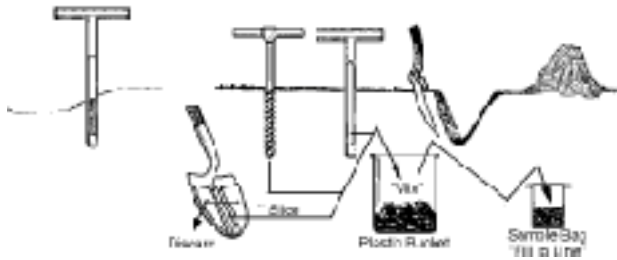
# HOW TO TAKE A GOOD SOIL SAMPLE

## A SOIL SAMPLE MUST REPRESENT THE AREA BEING SAMPLED!!

1. Soil Samples can be taken with a soil probe, spade or trowel. Samples from established turf should be taken to a depth of three inches. Other samples should be taken to a depth of six to eight inches. Discard any surface residues, thatch or stones.
2. Take a representative sample. Sample different areas of the turf, garden or landscape beds separately. A minimum of 10 to 12 cores per area sampled is required for an accurate soil test.



3. Collect the cores or slices in a clean plastic bucket and mix well. Transfer a portion (a cup or more) of the mixed sample to a soil sample bag. Avoid contamination by fertilizers and lime. Sample results may be inaccurate if samples are taken within four weeks of fertilizer or lime applications. Avoid using equipment or containers which may be contaminated with fertilizer or lime. Label the soil sample bag with a positive identification that matches the Soil Sample Information Form.



4. Complete the Spectrum Analytic Soil Sample Information Form. Enclose the soil sample bag in a proper shipping box or envelope. Place the completed Soil Sample Information Form in the box with the samples. Fasten securely and ship via UPS or Parcel Post.

# INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE THIS INFORMATION FORM

1. **Customer Name** is your client whose turf or ornamental soil is to be analyzed. Fill out this area if you want your customer's name to appear on the Soil Analysis Report.
2. Enter the complete **Company Name**, address and phone number of the company who will receive the analysis results. The proper phone number is important in case there is a question that needs answered before preparing to analyze the samples. Please include your fax number if you wish the results to be faxed and a note requesting that the results be faxed.
3. Enter your **Sample Identification**. This ID must be the same as on the sample bag. The sample identification may include any combination of letters and numbers not to exceed 12 characters.
4. Enter the **Recommendation Code** for the turf or ornamental being grown that best describes the grass type or ornamental plant, using the number codes on the bottom of the Soil Sample Information Form. If your plant species is not listed please write the plant species in the area marked other. If this section is left blank no fertility recommendations will be made.
5. Enter the **Turf Code** that best identifies the turfgrass area being sampled. This will effect the fertility recommendation that you will receive.
6. Enter a check mark for the desired **Soil Test Package**. See the current Turf & Ornamental Schedule Of Fees for the explanation of each package. If no soil test package is marked a T1 Basic Soil Test Package will be done.
7. Enter a check mark for each **Additional Test Requested**
8. Please do not mark in the are marked **Lab Use Only**. This area is where the lab will enter its own identification number for each soil sample.

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