



It's Time For Lime

(NAPSA)—Now is the best time to lay the groundwork for next year's greener lawn. Controlling your lawn's acid level is an important first step. Acidic soil is unhealthy for grass and reduces the effectiveness of fertilizer.



Lime Equals Green—Lawn lime corrects soil acidity and releases nutrients for healthy roots.

A good way to improve acid soil is to apply lawn lime. "A rule of thumb is that one bag of lime should be applied for each 1,000 square feet of lawn," says Burt Brewer of Oldcastle, a manufacturer of lawn and garden products. Brewer notes that lime also promotes nutrient availability, adds calcium to grass and magnesium for roots. Lime also helps lawns resist insects, fungus and drought damage.

By applying lime in the fall, homeowners can take advantage of the natural freezing and thawing cycle to work the product into the soil. The product is available in a fast-acting pelletized form that can be applied using any broadcast fertilizer spreader. Lawn lime products are available at most lawn and garden centers, home improvement centers and at many hardware stores. Typical brand names include YardRight, Soil Doctor and Garden Scene. For more information, visit www.YardRight.com.