

Artificial Turf Installation Guide

1. **Remove Grass/Dirt:** Remove the top 3-4" of your existing lawn and base, and then dispose of it according to local regulations. Soil builds up quickly, so we recommend having a dump trailer onsite.
2. **Add Base:** Next, evenly spread three inches of 3/8 bluestone gravel base over the area where you will be laying your turf. Lightly wet the area and go over it with a compactor to create a smooth base for laying the material. Depending on your yard, you may add weed barrier to prevent weeds sprouting through drainage holes in turf.
3. **Lay Turf:** Next is the part we've all been waiting for... It's time to lay your brand-new turf! As you roll out your gorgeous new lawn, be careful not to let it drag across your freshly prepared base. We recommend letting grass sit in the sun for 30-60 minutes to expand. Make sure that the blades and stitch patterns are all facing the same way. Ignoring this would result in a poor looking lawn. Use a carpet kicker to stretch and maneuver the turf into place.
4. **Cut to Fit:** Next, use a utility knife to fit your new lawn to the unique shape of your yard. Leave a quarter to half an inch of turf over the border to help with finishing touches. Then secure the seams using seam tape and glue. Correctly fitting the seams together is essential to creating a pristine, natural looking yard. Make sure that the blades of each piece of turf are oriented the same way, and that space in between stitch rows match.
5. **Secure the Perimeter:** Around the perimeter, place 6-inch galvanized turf nails or sod staples every six inches to secure your turf to its three inch base. Brush the turf with a power or push broom to stand the blades up straighter before adding infill. This will create a more vertical blade memory.
6. **Spread Infill:** Next it's time to spread the infill! Adding the correct amount of infill will directly impact the appearance, performance, and life span of your lawn. Use a drop spreader to evenly disperse the proper amount of quartz sand, we recommend about a pound and a half to two pounds a square foot.
7. **Brush Infill:** Once the infill is in place, use a power or push broom to brush the turf. This will stand the blades up straight and give your new lawn the appearance of freshly mowed grass. Lastly, rinse the grass to get rid of all remaining dust.

