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Five tips for a better lawn

Sometimes the grass really is greener—and more manageable. According to Scott Ride from Husqvarna, the world's largest producer of outdoor power products: "Lawn maintenance can be frustrating for homeowners, but it doesn't have to be. Anyone can achieve a great looking, stress-free lawn with the right practices, tools and materials."

These tips from the pros will set you up for nothing but success:

- Mow frequently with sharp blades. The key is frequent cutting, which forces the turf to grow thick and keep out weeds. Keep mower blades sharp so the grass isn't battered and made susceptible to disease.

- Don't go too short. Remember not to cut the grass too short. With a grass level of 5-9 cm you will have a fine, sus-

tainable lawn.

- Keep the mulch. Leave the clippings on your lawn. Not only do you eliminate the time to bag and dump the mulch, but the clippings fertilize the soil and lawn.

- Avoid watering at night. Be sure to let the grass dry out before the dew falls, since extended moisture invites disease. The best time to water is pre-dawn or early morning.

- Grow thick grass. Get rid of any weeds as early as possible. The best defense against pests, weeds and diseases is to grow thick, vigorous turf.

More lawn tips and information about tool options for proper maintenance can be found online at www.husqvarna.ca.

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