

- ☐ **Fall Fertilizer:** A Fall Fertilizer Application will help ensure that your lawn has a strong root system to better withstand harsh winter conditions, and a healthy lawn will revive more quickly in the spring!
  - ☐ **Fall Deep Root Feed for Trees & Shrubs:** A Fall Deep Root Feed is one of the best things you can do for your trees and shrubs! It's an all-natural application that gives your trees and shrubs a boost of nutrients to help them weather the winter better and bounce back more quickly in the spring.
  - ☐ **Deep Water Trees and Shrubs:** Deep watering trees and shrubs in the fall helps them prepare for winter. It is hard for trees to get water from frozen ground, and a dry root ball can cause winter damage. Do your final deep watering after the leaves have fallen and before the ground freezes.
  - ☐ **Winterize Sprinklers:** Always winterize (blow out) your sprinklers to avoid winter damage! Living Water's sprinkler team is professionally trained to winterize your system properly, guaranteed! Call us to get on the sprinkler blowout list if you aren't already.
  - ☐ **Fall Overseed:** Turf is pretty resilient, but after the extreme temps and severe pests we had this summer, damaged turf may need some help. If you have thin or damaged turf, an overseed is a good idea. Fall is the best time to overseed in the PNW, but it must be done a few weeks prior to a hard, consistent freeze. Normally we could provide this service for you; unfortunately, we're unable to this season. We have a factsheet with detailed instructions so you can do it yourself. Visit our website or email us for this info!
  - ☐ **Fall Clean-Up:** Clean all leaves and fall debris off of your lawn and out of flower beds. Leaves left on lawns and in beds over winter will suffocate plants and promote disease. Want to save yourself some time? Living Water does Fall Clean-Ups! Give us a call.
  - ☐ **Final Mow:** For mowing, our motto is long in the summer, short in the fall. Mow your lawn short for its final mow by November 15th. A good length is between  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. and  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in.
  - ☐ **Hoses:** Make sure your house is equipped with frost-free hose bibs. If it's not, you can get a kit at any hardware store. Drain hoses and store indoors to avoid damage from freezing or pests.
  - ☐ **Prepare Roses:** Prune roses (no shorter than 18 inches) and insulate them for winter. Hay is best for insulation, but you can also use pine needles. We don't recommend using leaves as they can promote disease.
  - ☐ **Prune Trees and Shrubs:** Fall is a great time to prune trees and shrubs more aggressively. If you choose to do this yourself, consult the [Sunset Pruning Handbook](#) or YouTube for proper pruning techniques. It matters! Or you can give us a call, and we'll take care of it!
  - ☐ **ENJOY:** As fall moves into winter, we recommend snuggling up with a hot drink and a good book to enjoying one of the Pacific Northwest's most beautiful seasons.
- If you have any questions about preparing your property for winter, or want to sign up for any of the services above, give us a call: (509) 487-3439, or visit our website: [www.livingwaterlawncare.com](http://www.livingwaterlawncare.com). Be blessed, and we will see you next Spring!