



# CHOOSE TO KNOW HOW TO GROW



## New Restrictions on Lawn Fertilizer containing Phosphorus



\* Starting January 1, 2009, fertilizers containing more than one per cent phosphorus by weight cannot be used on lawns in Manitoba.

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There are three identifying numbers on a bag of fertilizer. A zero as the second number indicates phosphorus free fertilizer.

Fertilizers containing phosphorus may be used when starting new lawns or if a soil test indicates it is needed.

- \* These restrictions do not apply to fertilizers used for:
- agricultural crops
  - flowers and vegetable gardening
  - trees or shrubs

Agricultural crops, golf courses and driving ranges are subject to additional requirements under the Nutrient Management Regulation.

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## No fertilizer - not even zero phosphorus fertilizer - can be applied near bodies of water.

Choose to know your buffer zone. Help protect Manitoba's vulnerable waters by not applying any type of fertilizer:

- within three metres of rivers, streams, creeks, wetlands and storm water retention ponds;
- within 15 metres from lakes, reservoirs, springs and wells;
- within 15 metres of vulnerable rivers such as the Assiniboine or Red Rivers; or
- within 30 metres of vulnerable lakes such as Lake Winnipeg or Killarney Lake.

For more information on buffer zones or a list of vulnerable bodies of water go to: [manitoba.ca/waterstewardship](http://manitoba.ca/waterstewardship)

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