

# Greenspace

Turf Advisor

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## An Earth-Friendly Approach

# EarthLink

Last year, TerraLink introduced a new choice for grounds care professionals in municipalities, parks and schools. As you are well aware, governments and regulators across Canada are seeking a softer approach in the care of turf and landscaped areas. This is in direct response to the concerns of the public. The average citizen expects professionals like you to ensure it is safe for their children to play in the grass. They do not want any chance of contact with traditional chemical fertilizers and pest control products. They wanted a more earth-friendly approach.

### We listened.

We at TerraLink responded to the needs of your clients, the public, by developing the EarthLink concept. By offering you an alternative to conventional turf and landscape fertilizers and pest control products, we can help you show the public that you are doing as much as possible to respond to their concerns. EarthLink products have been developed and designed using sound science to create softer options and safe solutions to conventional products. Because our children also play in the grass.

## Two Locations to Serve You!

**Abbotsford:**  
464 Riverside Road

**Delta:**  
4119-40th Street

*Rooted in your community.*

## Sustainability

# EarthLink Products

## Early Summer Fertilizer for Turf

As an option to conventional fertilizer mixes like 23-3-23 or 32-4-8 with slow release plastic-coated nitrogen, try one of these:

### Organic

If the policy in your school district, municipality or parks board is to use bona fide organic fertilizer, try one of these products:

- **7-4-7 TerraLink Brand Organic Lawn & Landscape Food.** All purpose balanced blend.
- **Amaizeingly Green:** 8-1-3 with Potash, 9-1-1 with Kelp, 8-1-1 with Neem.
- **10-3-3 Groundskeeper's Pride.** Specifically formulated for turf.
- EarthLink Liquid Organic fertilizers: **EarthLink Starter 2-4-0.5, EarthLink Feeder 4-0-2 and EarthLink Finisher 2.6-0.5-5**

### Organic-Based

The municipality has a little bit more liberal attitude? Then its OK to use fertilizers that have an organic component, mixed with some conventional ingredients.

- **21-4-10 with 46% CRN** and 30% Organic Matter. Can be used on sport fields and landscapes.
- **Safegro 12-3-6,** 55% organic based. High analysis nitrogen mix that greens up lawns quickly.

## Products for new Seed or Sod

If the goal is to re-plant turf instead of overseed, now is your chance to apply and incorporate more limestone than you can be topdressing established turf. Rather than using conventional chemical planter fertilizer such as 16-32-6 + micros, try these EarthLink choices:

- **EarthLink Guano 0-12-0.** The highest analysis rock phosphate on the market.
- **Bone Meal 2-14-0** prill.

## Weed Control

It's tough to control weeds without chemical pesticides! Luckily, TerraLink has some options for you:

- **Amaizeingly Green Weed n' Feed 10-0-0**
- **Mungers Horticultural Vinegar Non-Selective Weed Control**
- **Fiesta Lawn Weed Killer**

### Fiesta Lawn Weed Killer

Fiesta Lawn Weed Killer controls broadleaf weeds, algae and moss in turf.

# FIESTA®



# TerraLink

#### Fiesta features:

- Selective broadleaf weed killer
- Made with iron
- No unpleasant odour
- People and pets can enter area when spray dries

Controls or suppresses weeds such as: Dandelion, English daisy, False dandelion, White clover, Black medic, Bull thistle, Canada thistle, Common chickweed, Creeping buttercup, Slender speedwell, Narrow-leaved plantain, Dove's-foot geranium, Lawn burweed, Broad-leaved plantain.

#### Munger Horticultural Vinegar



Newly registered and good value compared to other similar products on the market, Munger Horticultural Vinegar will be the product of choice for a non-selective weed control. This ALL NATURAL product contains vinegar plus a Yucca based wetting agent and no other chemical additives. This is your product of choice for a non-selective spray herbicide.

#### Options for Pest Control

- Got Slugs? Nail 'em with **Sluggo Slug and Snail Bait**. A registered pesticide for use in organic scenarios. The active is iron phosphate and is not dangerous to children or pets.
- European Chafer: Ask at TerraLink for information on **beneficial parasitic nematodes** that can be applied by watering.

#### Amaizeingly Green

## Sale on Liquid Corn Gluten!

Take advantage of hot pricing on 1,000 L shuttle totes of Amaizeingly Green Liquid Corn Gluten. While supplies last, receive 5% off list price during June. Call to place your order today!



#### Report on New Product Line

## Amaizeingly Green Products A Success!

Introduced a year ago, the Amaizeingly Green product line has proven to be a success. The products are all based on corn gluten, proven scientifically to have several benefits in a turf ecosystem. Weed seeds are affected by the release of organic dipeptides into the soil which inhibit root formation of germinating weeds. Amaizeingly Green products provide slow release nitrogen for thicker, greener lawns. Natural molecules improve soil chemistry, increase root growth and improve drought resistance.

Your weed control program that used to be based on a post-emergence regime is now a pre-emergence program with Amaizeingly Green. Application should be co-ordinated with overseeding. Since corn gluten is non-selective and remains active for 4-6 weeks, leave 6 weeks before or after overseeding or sodding to avoid hurting the new grass plants.

A variety of products are available under the Amaizeingly Green brand:

- **8-1-3 with Potash**
- **9-1-1 with Kelp**
- **8-1-1 with Neem Cake**
- **Weed n' Feed 10-0-0 Liquid Corn Gluten**

All Amaizeingly Green products:

- Are Pet SAFE
- Won't burn your lawn
- Can be used in environmentally sensitive areas



#### Turf Care

## Overseeding After a Wet Spring

Spring overseeding is necessary to maintain healthy turf. Sportsfields and parks have taken a beating through the long cold winter and spring. If it's your job to make sure your municipality's fields are lush and green, TerraLink offers a complete line of Richardson Seed brand seed mixes that fit your needs. We offer 3 different ryegrass overseeding mixes:

**Commercial Overseeding Mix:** This is our most economical ryegrass overseeder. To be used where top-end varieties are not essential, this mix will get the job done well. Ideal to be used on boulevards and municipal parks and playfields, this mix has proven itself with quick green-up and durability.

**4-Way Overseeding Mix:** Often the choice of golf courses, this mix will also look fantastic in your parks. Containing 4 NTEP (National Turfgrass Evaluation Program) rated varieties, this blend is high-end while still being economical.

**Premium 4-Way Overseeding Mix:** This is the gold standard for overseeding. Containing top-performing NTEP varieties for overall turf quality as well as varieties that actually self-repair, this mix is golf-course quality available for your projects. It really doesn't get any better than this for ryegrass overseeding.

#### Need a solution for difficult areas and bare patches?

Are you trying to establish grass on high-traffic areas of a sportsfield (in front of the goal area of a soccer field, for example)? These spots are extremely difficult to care for, as the grass often doesn't get a chance to establish well enough to withstand very heavy use. Try **Panterra V** turf-type annual ryegrass. Germinating very quickly (3-5 days), this grass sets roots and grows quicker than any other turf-type grass. Not long-lasting, it's meant to provide fast, attractive cover and it's economical enough that you can afford to reseed the area as needed.

TerraLink also offers many different seed mixes to cover all turf applications. From shady areas to low maintenance areas, from the coast to the interior, we've got it covered.