

# WHEN YOU'RE FERTILIZING THE LAWN, REMEMBER YOU'RE NOT JUST FERTILIZING THE LAWN.



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Rain can wash fertilizer from your lawn into the street and storm drain. Then directly into our streams, lakes and reservoirs. This causes algae to grow, diminishing water quality.

Westchester County law requires that: no lawn fertilizers be applied between December 1 and April 1; no fertilizers be applied to impervious surfaces such as parking lots, driveways, roads or sidewalks; no fertilizers be applied within 20 feet of any surface water; and, as of January 1, 2011, the law will regulate the use of lawn fertilizers containing Phosphorus.

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