
MOWING YOUR FOOTPATH/NATURESTRIP

It is an accepted practice that residents maintain and mow the nature strips fronting/bordering their property.

Toowoomba Regional Council budget allocation for mowing is limited to mowing parklands, road median strips, and interconnecting walkways throughout urban areas. They only mow nature strips that may cause safety concerns to local residents.

Maintaining your naturestrip

When mowing your naturestrip follow these handy tips:

1. Clear your nature strip of large sticks, stones, and objects that may become projectiles. If objects are flicked up by the mower blades they may cause damage to your own or other people's property.
2. Wear enclosed shoes, sunglasses, and ear muffs/plugs for protection.
3. Be sun smart - wear sunscreen, long sleeve shirt, hat, and sunglasses.
4. Mow late in the afternoon - midday sun can stress the freshly cut lawn. Cooler conditions in the evening give it time to recover.
5. Set your mower at the highest preferred setting for your grass type. Only cut approximately 1/3 off the grass.
6. Make sure your lawn is dry. It makes it easier to mow and dry grass won't clog up your blades.
7. Leave grass clippings on the lawn if you mow regularly. The clippings return nutrients to the soil.

8. If collecting the grass clippings in a catcher, use it as mulch in your garden or compost. Do not use if you have treated your lawn with weed control products.
9. Be aware of noise times and levels, as below, for mowers and regulated devices (e.g. power tools):

Monday to Saturday

- 7 am-7 pm: regulated devices can be used
- 7 pm-7 am: no audible* noise permitted

Sunday and public holidays

- 8 am-7 pm: regulated devices can be used
- 7 pm-8 am: no audible* noise permitted

