City of Highland Park

1707 ST. JOHNS AVENUE
HIGHLAND PARK, ILLINOIS 60035
847.926.1000

Dear Landscaping and Pavement Sealant Professional:

Currently, your company is licensed to work within the City of Highland Park through December 31, 2024. This letter serves to remind you that in order to remain in compliance with City Code, you must reapply for the appropriate license for 2025. The new license will become effective January 1, 2024 and will remain valid through December 31, 2025.

The current fee for each license is $100. The fee increases to $125 after March 31, 2025.

It is important that all professionals understand the City regulations relevant to landscaping and/or pavement sealant companies, including but not limited to seasonal limitations on the use of gas powered leaf blowers. In an effort to ensure that professionals are educated on local regulations, summaries of relevant provisions of the Highland Park City Code are enclosed.

Additionally, the following items have been included with this packet to assist landscapers and pavement sealant professionals in properly filling out the license application:

1. Checklist of items to complete for the application *(see reverse)*
2. The 2025 Landscaper and Pavement Sealant License application form
3. Workers' Compensation Waiver *(for businesses with no more than two employees & no workers comp insurance)*
4. An *EXAMPLE* of a certificate of insurance, which can be obtained by contacting the insurance provider
5. Summary of relevant City ordinances

The City will not issue stickers if the application and certificate are not submitted together. Completed applications can either be mailed or delivered in person to the following location:

City of Highland Park
Attn: City Manager's Office
1707 St. Johns Avenue
Highland Park, IL 60035

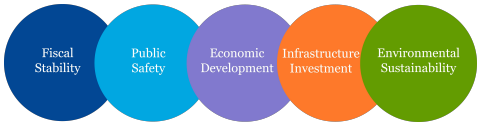
All professionals are encouraged **not** to park in school zones between 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM and from 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM on weekdays when school is in session. A list of school zones is available within this packet and maps are provided on the City's website at cityhpil.com/landscaping.

Please note that the City's regulation of gas powered leaf blowers has changed. Gas powered leaf blowers are permitted only between April 1st and April 30th and between October 1st and November 30th of each year. Please reference the City Code for additional information. To be kept abreast of changes like this, please sign-up for the City's eNews at www.cityhpil.com.

Please feel free to contact the City Manager's Office regarding the licensing procedure or the leaf blower restrictions by telephone at 847.926.1000 or by e-mail at CMOlicense@cityhpil.com.

Sincerely,

City Manager's Office
City of Highland Park



City of Highland Park

LANDSCAPER & PAVEMENT SEALANT PROFESSIONAL LICENSE APPLICATION

CHECKLIST

1. ☐ COMPLETED APPLICATION

2. ☐ SIGNED STATEMENT(S) OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. ☐ PROOF OF INSURANCE - CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL LIABILITY

4. ☐ PROOF OF INSURANCE - CERTIFICATE OF AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

5. ☐ PROOF OF INSURANCE - CERTIFICATE OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION OR SIGNED WAIVER IF YOUR BUSINESS HAS NO MORE THAN TWO EMPLOYEES

   - *THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK MUST BE LISTED AS A CERTIFICATE HOLDER ON ALL INSURANCE CERTIFICATES AND ALL POLICY NUMBERS MUST BE INDICATED*

6. ☐ Payment OF LANDSCAPE AND/OR PAVEMENT SEALANT LICENSE FEE(S)
   - **$100 / $125 after March 31, 2025**

7. PHOTO OF ONE OF THE VEHICLES DISPLAYING YOUR BUSINESS LOGO
   ☐
   - *FIRST TIME APPLICANTS ONLY*

8. SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT SURVEY
   ☐
   - *VOLUNTARY*

APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED UNTIL ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION IS RECEIVED

CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER	CONTACT NAME PHONE (A/C, No, Ext) E-MAIL ADDRESS FAX (A/C, No)
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE — NAIC #
INSURED	INSURER A INSURER B INSURER C INSURER D INSURER E INSURER F

COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** 1345843583 **REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	X COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CLAIMS-MADE OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: POLICY PRO-JECT LOC OTHER:						EACH OCCURRENCE $ PREMISES (Ea occurrence) $ MED EXP (Any one person) $ PERSONAL & ADV INJURY $ GENERAL AGGREGATE $ PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG $ D Ded.. $
A	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY ANY AUTO OWNED AUTOS ONLY HIRED AUTOS ONLY SCHEDULED AUTOS NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY Physical Dmg						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) $ BODILY INJURY (Per person) $ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) $ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) $ Comp/Coll Ded $
A	UMBRELLA LIAB OCCUR EXCESS LIAB CLAIMS-MADE DED						EACH OCCURRENCE $ AGGREGATE $ $
B	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY						X PER STATUTE OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT $ E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE $ E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT $
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EXAMPLE

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

The City of Highland Park is shown as additional insured with respect to General Liability coverage as evidenced herein as required by written contract with respect to the work performed by the named insured.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

The City of Highland Park
1707 St Johns Avenue
Highland Park IL 60035

CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

THIS CERTIFICATE SUPERSEDES PREVIOUSLY ISSUED CERTIFICATE

City of Highland Park

LANDSCAPER & PAVEMENT SEALANT PROFESSIONAL LICENSEAPPLICATION 2025

APPLICATION (check all that apply)

☐ LANDSCAPER LICENSE ☐ PAVEMENT SEALANT PROFESSIONAL LICENSE

Section 1 – Applicant Information

_____
Name of Company

_____
Company Website Address

_____
Applicant's Name

_____
Applicant's Address (to be published on City website if no address listed in Section 2 below.)

_____
City State Zip Code

_____
Phone Fax

_____
Email

Section 2 – Location of Office and Garage (If different from address stated in Section 1)

_____
Address City State Zip Code

Section 3 – Type of Business

☐ Individual Ownership ☐ Partnership

☐ Corporation ☐ Limited Liability Company (LLC)

Section 3.1 – Registered Agent Information (For Corporations Only)

Registered Agents' Name

Address City State Zip Code

Section 3.2 – Owner Information

Complete the following information for each owner. If the business is a partnership, indicate the information for each partner. If the business is a corporation, indicate the information for each director or shareholder owning directly or indirectly 5% or more of the shares. If there are more than two owners, please attach additional sheets.

Owner Name Percent Interest In Firm

Address

City State Zip Code

Phone Number Fax Number

Owner Name Percent Interest In Firm

Address

City State Zip Code

Phone Number Fax Number

Section 4 – Background Information

Have you ever been convicted of any felony under the laws of any state or under the laws of the United States?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list each offense, date and nature of the incident. Additional sheets may be used if necessary.

Section 5 – Snowplowing Services

Does your company provide snowplowing services?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Section 6 – Tree Removal and Pruning Services

Does your company provide tree removal and pruning?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Section 7 – Vehicle Information

List below each vehicle owned and controlled by the company. City ordinance requires all vehicles listed to attach a Landscaper License vehicle sticker. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Year	Make	Model	License Plate Number	Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)

Section 8 – Certificates of Insurance

Certificates of insurance for **general liability, automobile liability and workers' compensation** with the City of Highland Park listed as a certificate holder must be submitted with the completed application. The City will no longer issue stickers if the application and certificate are not submitted together.

Section 9 – Certified Arborist

Does your company have certified arborists on staff?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide their name and certificate numbers.

_____

Section 10– Number of Employees

How many employees does your company have on staff?

_____

Section 11 – Payment

Application fee of $100 or **$125 after March 31, 2024.** The application fee may be paid by cash or check.

Payment: ☐ Landscape License ☐ Pavement Sealant Professional License

Please indicate method of payment: ☐ Cash ☐ Check

PAYMENT TOTAL $_____ **CHECK # _____**

Section 12 – Signature & Acknowledgment (Landscaper License)

The undersigned applicant for a Landscape and Lawn Care Professional's License acknowledges hereby that he/she received summaries of, has reviewed, and understands applicable ordinances of the City of Highland Park and that he/she will promulgate said ordinances and educate his/her employees as to the contents thereof. In making the application for this license, I have completed all sections to the best of my knowledge and ability. I am authorized to sign on behalf of this company, listed in Section 1 of this application.

_____
Signature of Applicant

_____
Title of Applicant

_____
Date

Section 13 – Signature & Acknowledgment (Pavement Sealant Professional's License)

The undersigned Pavement Sealant Professional's License applicant has received copies of, reviewed, and understands the applicable ordinances of the City (including, without limitation, those prohibiting the use and sale of Coal Tar Products) and will promulgate same and educate its employees thereof. I am authorized to sign on behalf of this company, listed in Section 1 of this application.

_____
Signature of Applicant

_____
Title of Applicant

_____
Date

LANDSCAPE AND LAWN CARE AND/OR PAVEMENT SEALANT PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE AND WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS

Please note:** ***This form is for Lawn Care and Pavement Sealant Professionals who have no more than two employees and therefore do not carry Workers' Compensation insurance.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he or she is or is an authorized agent of _____,(***COMPANY NAME***) which is either a Landscape and Lawn Care Professional as defined in Section 102.004 of "The Highland Park Code of 1968", as amended (***"City Code"***), and/or a Pavement Sealant Professional as defined in Section 104.001 of the City Code. The undersigned further certifies, under penalties of perjury, that the Landscape/Pavement Sealant Professional employs no more than two employees, including the undersigned.

In consideration of the City of Highland Park (***"City"***) granting the Landscape/Pavement Sealant Professional a Landscape and Lawn Care License, and/or a Pavement Sealant Professional License, and waiving certain insurance requirements contained in Sections 102.001(C) and/or 104.015(B)(8) of the City Code, the Landscape/Pavement Sealant Professional hereby agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the City, and all City officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and officials from and against any and all claims of every kind, known and unknown, present and future, arising out of, connected with, or in any way related to the City's issuance of a Landscape and Lawn Care License, and/or a Pavement Sealant Professional License to the Landscape/Pavement Sealant Professional.

The undersigned has read and fully understands this Certificate and Waiver and Release of All Claims and executes it of his or her own free will and without any reservation whatsoever.

Dated this ___ day of _____, _____. Dated this ___ day of _____, _____.

_____

Participant Signature

_____

Attest Signature

SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT

Highland Park is a leader in municipal sustainability, and as part of our Sustainability Plan we seek to keep our residents and businesses informed of how they can reduce energy consumption, minimize waste, and protect natural resources. The landscape industry plays a large role in protecting and enhancing the natural environment, and with the Landscaper License Application the City is requesting basic information about how your firm promotes sustainable land management. This information will be made available on the City's website and may be used by residents and businesses when deciding to contract for services. Survey participation is completely voluntary.

COMPANY NAME: _____

Contact: _____ Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

SUSTAINABLE DESIGN and LAWN CARE

If your company provides landscape design services, do your designs commonly include any of the sustainable strategies listed below? Does your lawn care service include any of the following elements? **Please provide project examples to support any Yes responses.**

Sustainable Design Strategies	**Y/N**
Drought-tolerant plants	
Native plants	
Low-mow ground cover	
Rain gardens	
Rain barrels	
Trench drains/French drains	
Permeable paving	

Sustainable Lawn Care	**Y/N**
Aeration	
Seeding	
Compost topdressing	
Organic fertilizer	
Soil testing	
Low-toxicity additives	
Integrated Pest Management	

SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS

Please attach a list of and the MSDS sheets for all the pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and fertilizers used by your company on projects in Highland Park.

Please write yes or no for the types of fuel used in your company's equipment.

Equipment Type	**Gasoline**	**Diesel**	**Propane**	**Electric**	**Hybrid**	**Biofuel**
Mowers						
Blowers						
String trimmers						
Vehicles						
Other						

If you answered "yes" to electric, hybrid, or biofuel, **please attach** additional information including the make/model of the equipment and, for biofuels, a description of the blend. If "other," please provide information on an additional page.

Summary of Highland Park City Code Sections Relevant to Landscaper License Applicants

Disclaimer: These are summaries of the City Code for the convenience of applicants. The language contained here within may not comprehensively or thoroughly convey the ordinances within the City Code. Applicants for a landscaper license are expected to familiarize themselves with Chapter 102 of the City Code and any chapters or ordinances mentioned hereafter.

93.337 Deposit of Snow Limited

- No person or organization shall leave any snow or ice deposits upon any private or public property from which the snow or ice was removed, without the consent of the owner, or any street or other way for vehicular travel.
- However, this Section does not prohibit the depositing of snow or ice onto the portion of public parkway that is immediately adjacent to, and on the same side of the street as, the property from which the snow or ice was removed.
- The owner of the private property authorizing the removal is also responsible for any violation of the foregoing requirements by any person or organization employed by such owner.

93.338 Deposits of Debris.

- No person or organization shall leave debris upon public right-of-ways or upon any lot. *Please ensure that landscaping debris is hauled off site and not deposited into the ravines.*
- The owner of the property from which the debris comes from is held liable to the same extent as the party that deposited the debris.
- Debris is defined as loose aggregate, leaves, and garbage.

94.501 Fertilizers Containing Phosphorus

- "Fertilizer containing phosphorus" is defined as any fertilizer which contains any amount of inorganic phosphorus or other compound containing inorganic phosphorus, including, without limitation, phosphate.
- No person shall apply to any area within the City any fertilizer containing phosphorus, except in the following circumstances:
    - Obtaining written approval from the City Forester.
    - Shall only be applied, after written approval from the City Forester, at a volume or concentration necessary to permit the turf or lawn to reach median phosphorus levels for typical area soils.
    - If applied it shall be integrated into the soil so that it is immobilized and generally protected from loss by stormwater runoff.
    - Shall only be applied in accordance with any and all conditions imposed by the City Forester in his or her sole and absolute discretion.

- Fertilizer containing phosphorus may be applied for agricultural uses, vegetable and flower gardens, trees and shrubs, and indoor plants.
- Fertilizer containing phosphorus may be applied to newly established turf or lawn areas during their first growing season.
- Naturally occurring phosphorus in unadulterated natural or organic fertilizing products, such as yard waste compost, biosolids or other similar materials that are organic in nature, may be applied at any location within the City.

95.001 Public Nuisances

- It is a public nuisance for any person, firm, corporation, or association to do, suffer or permit loud, raucous sounds or noises which disturb comfort and peace.
- The outdoor construction (including excavation, demolition, alteration or repair) of any building or structure; other than between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and not at all on Sundays and holidays, except in the case of urgent necessity in the interest of public health and safety; provided, however that such prohibition shall not apply to any work performed by the resident on the property where he resides.
- Noises that will disturb rest, or quiet between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. On Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, this is extended to 9:00 a.m. *(this doesn't apply to public safety vehicles, snow removal equipment, emergency operations of urgent necessity for public health and safety, and morning golf course maintenance)*.
- Use of any leaf blower type of machine other than one that is electrically powered is prohibited, except that this restriction shall not apply between April 1 and April 30, and between October 1 and November 30 of each year.

102.001 Required Licensing of Landscape and Lawn Care Professionals

- Landscapers and Lawn Care Professionals require licenses from the city to engage in the business of landscape maintenance. See license application.
- The fee for the license is non-refundable, and the rates accompany the application.
- Evidence that the applicant is covered by a policy of comprehensive general liability insurance for both body and property damage is required. Proof of adequate workers' compensation and vehicle insurance is also required; although the City Manger or his/her designee may waive this requirement if the applicant employs 2 or fewer employees, including the Landscaper.
- Vehicles operated by the licensee shall always display the color scheme, insignia, trade name, and telephone number present on the application, as well as the landscape and lawn care professionals' vehicle sticker issued by the City with the license. It should be posted in the front driver's side window of all vehicles licensed by the City.

102.002 Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of Landscape and Lawn Care Professional's License

- The City Manager may refuse to issue or renew, or suspend or revoke a license, or fine a licensee for reasons including but not limited to:
    - Engaging in lawn care or landscape business without securing a Landscape or Lawn Care Professional's License from the City;

    - Violating the City Ordinances previously referenced in this document;
    - Putting false, misleading, or inaccurate statements in the Landscaping application;
    - Misrepresenting or giving false promise that would influence or induce another in connection with landscaping; and/or
    - Continually making false promises through advertising, agents, or salesmen, or making other misrepresentations in connection with landscaping.
- If the City Manager suspends, revokes, or fines a Licensee, the Licensee bond is also forfeited. The City Manager shall not assess a fine in excess of $500.00. A person cannot reapply for a license after revocation for one year.

102.003 Misdemeanors

- It's is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to:
- Engage in business of lawn care or landscaping without first securing a Landscaping License from the City of Highland Park;
- Violate other City ordinances including but not limited to all those previously referenced in Sections 93.338, 95.001, or 102.002.

Definitions: See Section 102.004 in the City Code

102.005 Penalty

- Any person found guilty of violating any terms of Chapter 102 shall be found guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined between $50.00 and $1,000.00 for each offense. Every day that a violation exists constitutes a separate offense.
- Any owner or occupant of property who permits a violation of Section 102.003(B)(2) of this Chapter to exist or continue on the property shall be fined between $200.00 and $500.00 for each offense. Each and every day the violation continues, shall be considered a separate offense.

Ordinance Section 94.501

Fertilizers Containing Phosphorus

General Regulations



The City of Highland Park is Committed to Protecting the Quality of Water in our City.

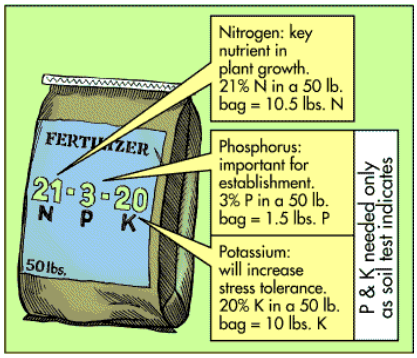
The City of Highland Park is committed to both high quality drinking water and the preservation of our natural ecosystems. To protect these resources we must protect the quality of the aquatic microenvironments within our city that feed into our Lake Michigan water supply. Lush green lawns require regular care and upkeep, and many homeowners and landscapers apply fertilizers to help in this process. While a supply of nutrients is necessary for any plant to flourish, excess amounts leach into groundwater supplies, moving into ravines and eventually accumulating in streams, small ponds or lakes. As the amount of phosphorus and other nutrients increases, algal blooms may occur, blocking sunlight and eventually killing many aquatic species. While this may occur naturally over centuries, human-induced "eutrophication" can take place in just decades. Effected aquatic systems become inhabitable by most native species, disrupting the natural processes which ordinarily act as a filter for storm water before entering our main water supply. As scientists have become more aware of the negative effects of the over-application of nutrients, policies have been put in place to minimize "nutrient pollution," and prevent human induced eutrophication.

What is phosphorus?

Phosphorus is an essential plant nutrient, added to fertilizers in both natural and synthetic forms for domestic and agricultural uses. While the nutrient is necessary for all forms of life, its accumulation can have detrimental effects on the environment. In lakes and streams, this leads to an explosion of algal growth, causing eutrophication, as discussed above. The effects of this can lead to dramatic decreases in biological diversity, severe reductions in water quality, and increased numbers of invasive species as competition from natives diminishes. When the algae die or are eaten toxins are released which can kill animals and may pose a threat to humans.

How can I tell if my fertilizer contains phosphorus?

When looking at a bag of fertilizer, you will find three numbers separated by dashes on the front label. The number on the left indicates the percentage of Nitrogen by weight, the center number represents the amount of Phosphorus, and the third number tells us how much Potassium is available in the fertilizer. Other nutrients may be present in smaller amounts, and will be shown on the back label of the bag. While each of these nutrients is essential for healthy plant growth, both phosphorus and potassium are usually naturally present in adequate amounts.



SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

SECTION 94.501

- Application of fertilizer containing synthetic (inorganic) phosphorus to any lawn or turf area within the city is prohibited except in the following circumstance:
  - ◊ With the prior written approval of the City Forester after a soil test is conducted (at the property owner's expense) showing content below median levels for typical soils in the area.
  - ◊ Phosphorus may then only be applied in amounts that would raise the content to those median levels.
  - ◊ The fertilizer applied must be integrated into the soil so that it is immobilized and protected from loss by runoff.
  - ◊ Use is prohibited on lawn or turf areas, except for the establishment of newly planted areas during their first growing season.
  - ◊ Naturally occurring, unadulterated, or organic phosphorus in fertilizing products may be applied at any location in the city. These may include: 1. Yard waste compost, 2. Commercial organic or phosphorus free lawn fertilizer, 3. Biosolids or other similar materials organic in nature.
- Use of fertilizer containing phosphorus is still allowed for agricultural practices, in vegetable or flower gardens, around trees and shrubs, and in indoor potted plants.
- Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance is subject to a fine of not less than $200 and not more than $500. Each day which a person is in violation of any part of the ordinance constitutes a separate and distinct offense.
- This ordinance is effective as of June 1, 2010

For more information about fertilizers or the new ordinance:
See: http://www.cityhpil.com
Call: Public Works at (847) 432-0807

Tips for Sustainable Landscaping Practices



These shrubby trees invade hedges, borders, woodlands and wetlands. As they do, they create a landscape toxic to frogs, salamanders, toads and other wildlife that eat mosquitoes, pollinate flowers and perform other services. Learn how to identify and remove buckthorn.



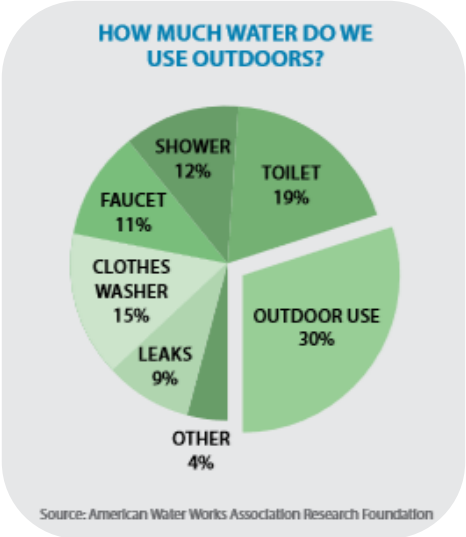
Many common lawn care products are linked to cancer and birth defects. Children and dogs are especially vulnerable because of the amount of time they spend on grass. Also, fertilizer pollutes lakes and ponds. Learn how to grow a great lawn without harmful chemicals.

1. Plant Oak Trees

2. Plant Native Species instead of Non-Native Species

3.Remove Buckthorn

4. Limit the harmful chemicals and fertilizers applied to lawns



<u>These tips will continue to provide an attractive and healthy landscape while requiring less maintenance and water.</u>

For more information on sustainable land-scaping visit: epa.gov/watersense/outdoors or openlands.org/caringforyourland



Trees and gardens bring beauty and privacy to your landscape, buffer you from noise and harsh weather, and cool buildings in summer. As you add new plantings, save money, reduce flooding, and help nature by including plants native to Illinois. Learn how to find gorgeous natives perfect for your landscape.



Our nine types of native oak trees support Lake County's renowned variety of wildlife and native plants. But most are old or gone – and young ones are hard to find. Learn how to select, plant or transplant an oak tree.

openlands conserving nature for life

GRC2 Greenest Region Compact COLLABORATING FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

City of Highland Park

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EPA WaterSense PARTNER

City of Highland Park

School Zones

Below is a list school zones where lawn care professionals are encouraged **NOT** to park between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. A map of these locations is available on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com/landscaping.

- Dean Avenue
  - Roger Williams Avenue to Cary Avenue
- Lincolnwood Road
  - Braeside Road to Brownville Road
- Marl Oak Drive
  - North Avenue to Priscilla Avenue
- Old Trail
  - Greenwood Avenue to Dato Avenue
- Red Oak Lane
  - Edgewood Road to Rosemary Road
- Ridge Road
  - Edgewood Road to Rosemary Road
- Roger Williams Avenue
  - Baldwin Road to St. Johns Avenue
- St. Johns Avenue
  - Elm Place to Orchard Lane
- Summit Avenue
  - North Avenue to Auburn Avenue
- Trail Way
  - Eaton Court to Cambridge Court