

Spring Safety

**SPRING HAS
RETURNED
REMEMBER TO BE SAFE**



GRASS CUTTING

- ➔ Discharge Away From Roads & Cars
- ➔ Raise Deck Of Mower To Minimize Throwing Objects
- ➔ Properly Guarded Discharge
- ➔ Wear Highly Visible Clothing & Be Cautious Near Right-Of-Ways



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Heat Stress

Controls - Ventilation, Shaded Areas, Water

Heat Stroke

- ⊗ Dry skin, 105°F or higher, mentally confused, rapid heart-beat.
- ⊗ Immediate hospitalization.



Heat Exhaustion

- ⊗ Skin clammy, pale, excessive loss of fluids, headache.
- ⊗ Cool place, plenty of liquids, rest.

Heat Cramps

- ⊗ Excessive salt loss.
- ⊗ Ingest electrolytes.

Gas Trimmer/Weedeater

Personal Protective Equipment

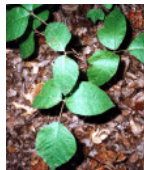
Earplugs – Hearing Protection
Safety Glasses – Eye Protection

Trimming Height - 2"-3"

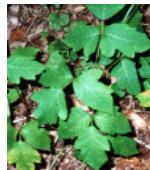
Avoid Touching Ground

"Hand-On" Weed Removal

Avoid Poison Ivy, Poison Oak, & Poison Sumac



Poison Ivy
· 3-Leaflets
· Bigger Center Leaf
· Stand-Alone Bush or Vine



Poison Oak
· 3-Leaflets
· Oak-Shaped Leaf
· Bush In Sandy Soil



Poison Sumac
· 13-Leaflets
· Grows in Standing Water



BEES/WASPS

Bee Lands – Blow Off Gently

Several Attack – Run Away

Bees More Active In Spring

Avoid flowering plants, strong scents, & bananas
Wear light-colored clothing
Sweat angers bees



Wasps/Yellow Jackets/Hornets - Active In Autumn



SPIDERS



Black Widow
· Red Hourglass Mark
· Soft Bite
· Immediate Medical Attention



Brown Recluse
· Violin Shaped Mark
· Six Pair of Eyes
· Soft Bite → Immense Pain
· Immediate Medical Attention

Thunderstorms/Lightning

Terminology

Thunderstorm Watch - Possible.
Thunderstorm Warning - Occurring.

"Flash-To-Bang" Method

Seconds between lighting & thunder ÷ 5 = Miles from lightning

30/30 Rule: (Safe To Come Out?)



Thunder - 30 seconds or more
Lightning - 30 minutes after last strike