Powdery Mildew Prevention Guide

Learn How to Prevent Powdery Mildew Disease on Grass

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OVERVIEW

Improve Yard Conditions

Powdery mildew thrives in shady areas that don't receive much sunlight or airflow. Improving shady places in your yard to allow more light and air movement can help to prevent powdery mildew by eliminating the conditions in which powdery mildew thrives.

In certain situations, it may be better to plant disease resistant types of grass to keep powdery mildew at bay.

STEP 1 Increase Sunlight



Sunlight can help to inhibit and prevent powdery mildew growth, since it will help to eliminate the ideal growing conditions for this turf disease.

Trimming back excess foliage and pruning trees that provide a lot of shade in your lawn can help to decrease the shade and allow more sunlight to reach your lawn to prevent powdery mildew growth.

STEP 2 Increase Airflow



Allowing air to flow freely will prevent fungal growth in your yard. You can decrease humidity in your yard by trimming your lawn regularly, keeping landscape plants pruned, and removing any unnecessary debris, plants, and even other landscaping elements that could contribute to creating a humid environment.

PRO TIP

Plant Disease Resistant Grass

In areas that cannot receive more light from pruning and are shaded most of the time from buildings or other structures, it might be best to replant this grass with a resistant variety, especially if powdery mildew is a continual issue each season.