

Broome County
Division of Solid Waste
Management



GRASSCYCLING

Why grasscycling?

- ✓ No more emptying a cumbersome mower bag.
- ✓ Provides 25% of your lawn's fertilizer needs.
- ✓ Lawns stay greener and healthier.
- ✓ Reduces pollution from pesticides and herbicides.
- ✓ Saves landfill space.



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Grasscycling Myth

Grass clippings left on the lawn don't cause thatch! Thatch is caused by roots, dead leaf sheaths and rhizomes that decompose slowly. Grass clippings decompose quickly and help make your lawn more vigorous and durable.

Grasscycling Guidelines Mowing

- ✓ Reverse the mowing direction every other time.
- ✓ Mow when the lawn is dry.
- ✓ A basic rule of thumb is to remove 1/3 of the new growth at a time.
- ✓ Mow with a sharp blade to prevent a ragged appearance.

**For more information call
Cornell Cooperative Extension at
772-8953 or the Division of
Solid Waste Management at 778-2397.**

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