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## Thread: The official "weedman" thread



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#1

**mechanic**

Feedback Score 0

Join Date:

Apr 2010

Location:

Wellandville

Posts:

40

### The official "weedman" thread

I'm wondering if anyone here has any experiences good or bad with "The weedman" lawn care people? I had a rep. of theirs ask me 2 or 3 years ago if they could do a free estimate on treating my lawn.

I said, "sure a free estimate's fine but I can tell you right now I won't want your services"

They took my name and phone number and left.

Now every spring they call and ask if I want them to do my lawn.

I tell them "No thanks, and please quit calling me"

Now we are to the point where they are calling 5

times a day harassing my wife when I'm not home

and then calling around supper time. (of course)

My friend down the street was using their services for several years, but after the province banned toxic

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chemicals for lawn treating he noticed that their treatments didn't kill any weeds.  
 Therefore he called and told them to cancel his service, he didn't want them to do his lawn any more. Sooo when he wasn't home they came over and did his lawn anyway, and left a invoice in his mailbox. He of course called and explained the situation to them and they said " we have no record of you calling to cancel, so you have to pay the bill or we will send this to a collection agency and ruin your credit rating" WTF??  
 Anyone else having similar problem's?  
 And wtf can we do to stop them from calling us? any ideas?  
 Thanks in advance.  
 Eric

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#2



**al3d** 👤  
**Feedback Score 40 (100%)**

Join Date: Oct 2007  
 Location: Sherbrooke  
 Posts: 4,525

OH MAN..they did the same to me as they did to you friend... i had called MANY times cancelling after a summer of them comming over and spraying whatever they were spraying..did'nt make any dfference on my lawn, and the kid was doing it SO fast, i doubt it would have anyway. once i cancelled, they came twice...will bills in my mailbox...i was PISSED. so, knowing he was comming every 3 weeks or so at first..i check for his arrival, i work home..it helps, when i saw the truck park in front and the kid starting to unroll his big hose..i got out by the backdoor, unroll my hose..and opened it up on him as SOON as he step on the front lawm....the guy was SOAKED withing 20 secs..and looking at me thinking...WTF....LOL..he called his office...suddenly MY phone was ringing, and his was the home office wish is actually 2 minutes from my place. this bitchy lady was freaking out on me...turns out it was her son..LOL...SO..i explained i had cancelled ALL treatment...but they were still comming...after 10 minute of arguing...she finaly got my point..sent me a email saying it was cancelled..BUT...she still wanted payment for the day's treatment..LOL..wich she never got..)

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#3

**aftermidnight** 👤  
**Feedback Score 0**

Join Date: Oct 2009  
 Location: Ottawa  
 Posts: 24

The CBC show Marketplace did a story on this.  
 Here is the story with a few comments from other 'victims'.

Snake In The Grass - Marketplace

I got the impression that Weedman were aware of their tactics being exposed and were cleaning up their act ..... obviously not in your area.

Hope this helps.

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#4

**Jim DaddyO**  
Feedback Score 2 (100%)

Join Date: Mar 2009  
Location: C4th, On  
Posts: 1,019

I saw that marketplace episode too. Apparently Weedman is harder to get rid than,,,,well....weeds.

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#5

**mhammer**  
Feedback Score 2 (100%)

Join Date: Nov 2007  
Location: Ottawa, Ontario  
Posts: 5,338

Me, I get down on my hands and knees to take out all those dandelions at the root with a tool. Lets me meet the neighbours, and few things will let neighbours bond quickly with each other moreso than complaining to each other about weeds.

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#6



**keeperofthegood**  
Feedback Score 3 (100%)

Join Date: Apr 2008  
Location: Burlington, Ontario  
Posts: 3,614

Ahhh when I quite smoking Coke Classic tasted JUST LIKE the smell in the air when weedman sprays :P

Originally Posted by **mhammer**

*Me, I get down on my hands and knees to take out all those dandelions at the root with a tool. Lets me meet the neighbours, and few things will let neighbours bond quickly with each other moreso than complaining to each other about weeds.*

hehe there are lawns here that are more dandilions than grass these days. comes to a point it is simply easier to slice off the top foot of soil, and a few cubic yards of top soil and sod. We used weedman many years ago because of a june bug infestation. Not a foot of soil didn't have a dozen larvae eating away :)

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#7

greco

Feedback Score 13 (100%)

Join Date: Jul 2007  
Location: Kitchener, Ontario  
Posts: 4,924

Originally Posted by al3d

*OH MAN..they did the same to me as they did to you friend... i had called MANY times cancelling after a summer of them comming over and spraying whatever they were spraying..did'nt make any dfference on my lawn, and the kid was doing it SO fast, i doubt it would have anyway. once i cancelled, they came twice...will bills in my mailbox...i was PISSED. so, knowing he was comming every 3 weeks or so at first..i check for his arrival, i work home..it helps, when i saw the truck park in front and the kid starting to unroll his big hose..i got out by the backdoor, unroll my hose..and opened it up on him as SOON as he step on the front lawm....the guy was SOAKED withing 20 secs..and looking at me thinking...WTF....LOL..he called his office...suddenly MY phone was ringing, and his was the home office wish is actually 2 minutes from my place. this bitchy lady was freaking out on me...turns out it was her son..LOL...SO..i explained i had cancelled ALL treatment...but they were still comming...after 10 minute of arguing...she finaly got my point..sent me a email saying it was cancelled..BUT...she still wanted payment for the day's treatment..LOL..wich she never got..:)*

Alain...thanks so much for writing this !! It will make me smile/laugh for quite a while. I can only imagine the look on the guy's face when you started to soak him with your hose....LOL !!

Cheers

Dave

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**"Time on the instrument" Pierre Richard**

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#8

kat\_

Feedback Score 1 (100%)

Join Date: Jan 2007  
Location: Calgary  
Posts: 683

Originally Posted by mhammer

*Me, I get down on my hands and knees to take out all those dandelions at the root with a tool. Lets me meet the neighbours, and few things will let neighbours bond quickly with each other moreso than complaining to each other about weeds.*

Me too. I also fertilize two or three times a year and put compost and extra grass seed on the thin areas. If the grass is thick enough the weeds have trouble getting established. When I bought this house three years ago the front yard was a mess. Now it's starting to look pretty good.

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#9

**greco**   
**Feedback Score 13 (100%)**

Join Date: Jul 2007  
 Location: Kitchener, Ontario  
 Posts: 4,924

 Originally Posted by **kat\_** 

*.....If the grass is thick enough the weeds have trouble getting established.*

This is the only real solution IMHO, now that we are not allowed to use chemicals. Please understand that I am not supporting the need to use chemicals by saying this.

Cheers

Dave

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**"Time on the instrument" Pierre Richard**

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#10

**gtrguy**   
**Feedback Score 4 (100%)**

Join Date: Jul 2006  
 Location: Halifax  
 Posts: 434

 Originally Posted by **keeperofthegood** 

*Ahhh when I quite smoking Coke Classic*

dude, you really shouldn't smoke Coke Classic... or

regular Coke for that matter...



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