

Trout Friendly Lawn Certification Checklist

Yes! I want to make my lawn Trout Friendly!

Complete steps listed below to achieve Basic, Silver, or Gold certification for your lawn. Please read the Fact Sheet or contact Wood River Land Trust for more information at 208.788.3947 or tfl@woodriverlandtrust.org.

Conserve Water

Required Actions:

- Water your lawn between 10 pm and 6 am only.
- Water deeply AND every other day or even less frequently to cultivate healthy roots.

Optional Actions (Choose 2 for Silver or 3 for Gold):

- Establish an area where you let the grass grow tall and reduce irrigation in that area.
- Install rain sensors to automatically turn off your irrigation system when it rains.
- Install drip irrigation for shrubs and trees.
- Invest in an irrigation assessment and follow the recommendations.

Reduce Chemical Use

Required Actions:

- Raise the mower blade to 3 inches every time you mow to increase grass density.
- Spot spray herbicide rather than broadcast spraying AND only spray when it is the most effective way to control weeds.

Optional Actions (Choose 2 for Silver or 3 for Gold):

- Leave clippings on the lawn.
- Use organic fertilizers such as compost, compost tea, or other products.
- Eliminate the use of synthetic fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides.

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Use Native and Drought-Tolerant Plants

Required Actions:

- Plant an area in native or drought-tolerant plants to reduce water use.
- If applicable, establish a “no mow” zone to buffer stream banks from runoff.

Optional Actions (Choose 2 for Silver or 3 for Gold):

- Restore native shrubs and trees in backyards or along stream banks to improve backyard habitat and protect the stream from erosion.
- If applicable, preserve native shrubs and trees along stream banks to shade the river and keep water cool for fish.
- Convert lawn from Kentucky blue grass to a drought-tolerant turf.

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Certification level: Basic Silver Gold

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

May we use your name in publications? Yes No

Would you like a TFL Sign in your yard? Yes No

Comments:

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