

August Tips for the Conscientious Gardener

- Watch for and treat web worms in your trees (especially Black Walnut, Birch, and Pecan).
- Try to wrap up spraying bag worms on cedars and juniper while they are active.
- Have Edmond Landscapes treat your lawn for moles with a gel bait that is injected into the fresh trails.
- Consider increasing the length of time your sprinklers run, as summer is now here. Remember that watering infrequently for longer periods of time encourages deeper root growth.
- Trim trees of dead and sucker growth to encourage vertical growth and vibrancy. The dead limbs can act like a toxin and typically next season's growth will look great after trimming large branches out.
- Deep root water your water-loving trees (Sycamore, Bald Cypress, Birch) and those that are known for shallow root systems (Elm, Maple).
- Have Edmond Landscapes treat for mosquitoes and gnats with an all-natural deterrent (must be done periodically or before outdoor events).
- "Dead head" spent perennial flower stems to encourage new growth.
- Fortify any yellowing shrubs and trees with an iron treatment.
- Now is a "smooth" and "level-headed" time to top dress your Bermuda turf with Rich Mix topsoil, as the grass is actively growing and will pop-up very quickly.
- Keep the mulch thick in your flower beds and use a pre-emergent to decrease flower bed weeding.