

LAWN SPECIFICATIONS

The Contractor shall cut all grass and weeds in the Palatka Housing Authority developments.

1. The Contractor shall weed eat around plants, around the base of trees, shrubs, around the edge of buildings, light poles, fire hydrants, fences, hedges, patio blocks, driveways, street curbing, cracks in sidewalks or any other items that may be in the yard and common areas of the developments.
2. The Contractor shall move items that prohibit proper cutting (e; lawn furniture, bicycles, etc) in order to cut and weed eat around the unit and common areas within the development.
3. The contractor shall make certain that any paper, trash, etc; is removed prior to mowing in order to prevent further spreading of debris, that may be cut up by the mower.
4. The Contractor will edge sidewalks, curbs, street curbing drainage areas, driveways and other directed areas.
5. The contractor must obtain approval from the PHA on the Herbicide type that will be used to control grass and weeds in areas difficult to cut or weed eat, such as patio blocks, fence lines, walkways and other agreed upon areas.

The Contractor agrees in summary to maintain all Residential, and Common area grass in the Designated Developments.

6. The Contractor shall set mowers to cut at 2” inches above the ground level.
7. The Contractor will present to the PHA for approval, on the type of Commercial Grade Mower and any other lawn maintenance equipment that will be used to render professional lawn service to the Common Areas.
8. During the months of ***March through October***, the Contractor shall make certain that the property areas are **cut three (3) times per month, weeding (3) times per month, and edging (1) time a month.**
9. During the months of **November through February**, the Contractor shall make certain that the property areas are **cut one (1) time per month and edged (1) time per Month.**
10. The Contractor shall weed eat, mow, or remove grass (herbicide) in drainage ditches during each cut.

11. All grass is to be cut to original property line in common areas.
12. Contractor is not allowed to leave large clumps of dead grass on grounds. (Grass must be bagged and removed)
13. Wet areas that cannot be mowed at time of original cutting cycle must be mowed prior to beginning of new cutting cycle.
14. All damages to resident personal property (flowers, fences, water hose, vehicles, etc.) are the responsibility of the Contractor.
15. The Contractor must clear any grass that is blown into the street, parking areas, porches/sidewalks by the mower.
16. The successful Contractor shall provide a cutting schedule to be approved by the PHA prior to contract signing.

Trim shrubs around PHA main office and around Centers during cut periods

MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

The Palatka Housing Authority can authorize the Contractor to use an approved Herbicide in lieu of weed eating in areas that in the opinion of the PHA that the treatment is more effective than weed eating.

The Contactor must follow the Manufacturer's recommendations in application and must follow all safety procedures recommended on the Material Safety Data Sheet information.

1. The Contractor shall use Turf Tires on equipment to prevent damage to PHA grounds and to lessen indentations by machines.
2. Bush Hog Mowers (with a finish blade) will be allowed in Common Areas **Only**.
3. The Contractor will make available for inspection to PHA Maintenance Staff the Commercial equipment to be used on PHA property. The Equipment will include a Minimum of Two Commercial type Mowers and equipment and accessories in order to provide no interruption of mowing service due to breakdown or equipment repair.

PENALTIES, FINES AND INSPECTIONS

1. The Contractor shall be subject to a Fifty Dollar (\$50) per day fine for missed cuts in Developments.
2. The PHA and the Contractor will make every attempt to work with each other to prevent this type of penalty or fine situation from happening.
3. Invoicing will be set up between the PHA and the successful contractor prior to contract signing.

