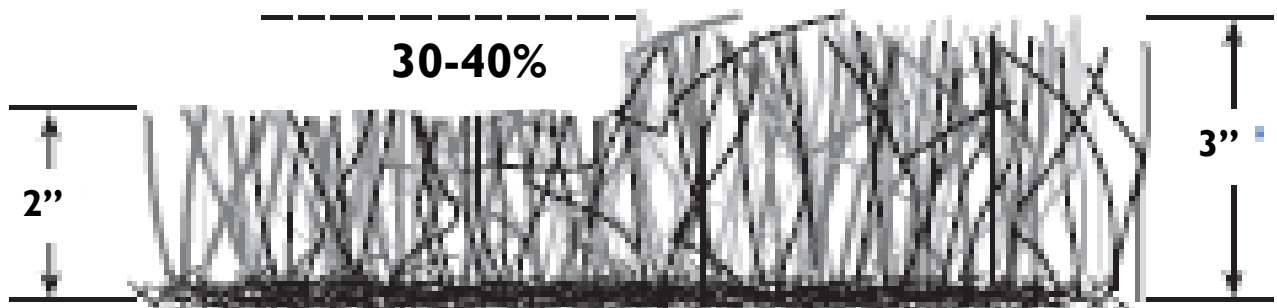


Mowing Plan

When the proper mowing frequency is maintained, the clippings filter into the turf canopy, without detracting from the beauty of the lawn, or increasing the thatch layer. When mowing, follow the **1/3" rule**. This states that no more than 1/3 of the vegetation (from the soil line to the leaf tips) should be removed during any one mowing. Don't worry - harmful thatch will not accumulate as a result of clipping return.

Do not remove more than 30-40% of the leaf with any mowing!



To implement the **1/3" rule**, consider the following mowing schedule:

Grass Species	Mowing setting in Spring/Fall	Mow When Grass Is
Kentucky Bluegrass	2"	3"
Perennial Ryegrass	2"	3"
Fine-leaf Fescue	2"	3"
Turf Type Tall Fescue	2.5" – 3"	3.5"–4"
Common Tall Fescue	2.5" – 3"	3.5"–4"
Buffalograss	2"	3"
Zoysiagrass	2"	3"

If your mower does not adapt to clipping return, place them in a compost pile. Compost makes an excellent soil amendment for flower and vegetable gardens.

