Grass grading for operational monitoring



Grade 1 grass

Short mown grass, even surface no scalping or ribbing, neat edges. Some lawn weeds (daisies, dandelions & clover). After mowing, even distribution of cuttings.



Grade 3 grass

Long grass, tufty, uneven appearance, heavy lawn weeds & extensive seed heads, heavy deposits of old grass clippings. Some encroachment over footpath edges. Note this standard may occur during spring and autumn flushes.



Grade 2 grass

Grass longer, slightly tufty in places, but generally even, including edges. Moderate lawn weeds, including some grass running to seed. Due for cutting to achieve Grade 1.



Grade 4 grass

Very long grass, heavy weed growth including extensive coarse broadleaf weeds such as dock. Trapped litter and detritus. Encroachment well over footpath edges. Note this may occur where spring bulbs are present or areas managed for conservation.