



8824 Eastern Ave, Byron Center MI 49315

[www.WeedandFeedLawnCare.com](http://www.WeedandFeedLawnCare.com)

Steve VanNoord  
Matthew VanNoord  
616-698-8930  
Fax: 616-554-3646

## Yellow Nutsedge

Yellow nutsedge is a perennial weed of poorly drained soils. It is most easily recognized because it grows faster than most grass. It is most prominent in heavier soils and in wetter areas on the lawn. It is also referred to as nut grass or swamp grass. It is not a true grass but rather a member of the sedge family. It can be recognized by its erect 3-angled shiny yellow-green grass-like leaves and its rapid growth.



Nutsedge reproduces primarily by its underground tubers. These seeds have the ability to remain dormant for 10+ years in the soil then germinate under ideal growing conditions— typically years with above average rainfall

Unlike most lawn weeds, yellow nutsedge is not controlled with applications of traditional broadleaf weed control or crabgrass control products. We do have a product that kills yellow nutsedge, but it is not part of our regular program. There is a small additional charge for spraying yellow nutsedge.



Yellow Nutsedge in Turf

## Crabgrass

Crabgrass is a summer annual that germinates from seed every spring. The most effective control for crabgrass is a pre-emergent application in April. Crabgrass is commonly found in areas of elevated soil temperatures such as along driveways and sidewalks, and areas of grass with full sun exposure. Crabgrass grows very low to the ground. Crabgrass germination is more severe in lawns that mowed below 3 inches and lawns were allowed to dry out in the summer. Because crabgrass is a summer annual it will die on its own in late summer.



If you compare yellow nutsedge and crabgrass, you would find that yellow nutsedge will be shinier, have skinnier blades, and stand straight up. Crabgrass will lay flat and creep along the ground. Crabgrass service calls are included for our full program customers who received the pre-emergent application.

A healthy, thick lawn is the best defensive against crabgrass. Elevated mowing heights, regular fertilization and proper watering will help your lawn to compete against crabgrass.



Crabgrass in Turf