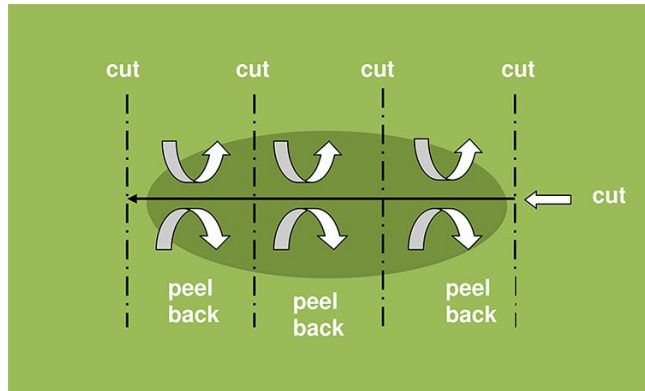


# Bumps & Hollows



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Bumps and hollows are slight undulations that can be solved with top dressing, but anything more than 1/2" needs a different procedure.

Small ones can be sorted by slicing into the turf with a spade all along the length of the bump or hollow 1" to 2" deep, then do the same at right angles. Next push the spade underneath the turf to cut the grass roots, so that the turf can be peeled back in strips. Finally, remove or add soil, firm by treading, then fold back the turf and tamp down with the spade. If adding soil try and use soil from the borders or at least a similar soil to that in the lawn.

Larger bumps and hollows require the turf to be removed completely, soil added or removed then re-turfed or seeded. You will find new turf is considerably easier to lay than your removed turf, but it may be difficult to match. Seeding the area may offer a better grass match.

**CAUTION:** If you fill hollows by putting soil on top of turf then re-seeding, the area will dry rapidly and may well not survive, we suggest you aerate and water well until established..

**Damage from tree roots:** As tree roots grow they thicken often forcing the lawn surface up or even becoming exposed themselves. If the problem is minor then light and frequent top dressings to build up the lawn surface to cover the root should do the trick.

For more severe problems splicing open the turf, folding and rolling it back and removing the root may be required. As this may impact on the health of the tree, consulting with a tree surgeon would be wise. Once removed, the empty space should then be filled with similar soil (take some from the borders if possible), firm by treading and then the turf rolled back into place and tamp down with the spade.

## Seeding

We recommend Green Velvet All Rounder. Available from our online shop

Mowing after repairs should be as normal for an established lawn.

Always keep renovated areas well watered for several weeks to aid recovery.

