



# SPRING PREP CHECKLIST

- Pull back the mulch from around your perennials
- Clean up dead foliage (*early to avoid pests, later to protect beneficial bugs - more on our blog*)
- Clean up leaves & garbage
- Prune to shape your trees & shrubs
- WAIT** to prune away winter kill (late June)
- Turn over soil in wet or compact garden beds
- Add compost or manure to garden beds
- Add zeolite to clay or hard-packed soil
- Top up mulch or soil beds (as needed)
- Rake the dead thatch out of your lawn
- Consider tree wrap for birch trees (avoid birch leaf miner)
- Unwrap trees & shrubs from their winter protection (if any)
- Fertilize your grass
- WAIT** to fertilize trees, shrubs, and perennials (mid April)
- Plant pollinator & beneficial bug attractors (late May)
- Hook up hose & turn the water on
- Get watering in dry areas, or when you see signs of life
- Purchase Diatomaceous Earth & Insecticide to have on hand
- Sweep (or powerwash) your patio and deck
- Break out your lawn furniture, solar lights and garden decor!