

MOSS

Mosses are non-flowering plants which produce spores and have stems and leaves, but don't have true roots. Instead they have rhizoids, which are small hair like structures. Their main function is anchoring the plant to rock, bark or soil.

Mosses are usually associated with moist and shaded areas of our gardens. Popping up in lawns, on pathways, between bricks and pavers and concreted surfaces or other areas that get enough water.

PREVENTION

Review site to see if additional light or drainage is possible. Consider trimming back plants casting shade over the affected area.

Compact soil and soil with poor nutrient levels are also prone to moss growth. Aerate the soil with a metal rake or gardening fork, feed lawns and avoid scouring the soil, especially when wet.

Apply monthly applications of <u>Aquaticus Garden Booster</u> for a healthy soil.

NATURAL TREATMENT

Moss can be managed by reducing the amount of shaded areas in the garden. Cut back trees and overgrowth that create shade.

For treatment in lawns it is best to keep the lawn well cared for. Good aeration and annual thatching of lawns will reduce Moss. If Moss becomes a problem it can be raked out.

Try mixing 60ml of dish liquid into 4.5l of water and spray onto moss in the lawn. Use a natural dish liquid.

For natural control on hard surfaces spray with $\underline{\text{Weed Weapon Natural Power}}.$

OTHER TREATMENT

Surfaces:

To control on hard surfaces such as walls, driveways, paths and roofs use Surrender Moss and Algae Killer. This can also be used on the lawn.

Do not use on roofs that have a collection water system.

Lawns:

Use <u>Kings Lawn Moss Control</u>, or use <u>Yates Weed & Feed Moss Killer</u> to both feed the lawn and kill off moss. However, do not use these products on concrete as discolouration will occur

Moss will darken as it dies off. Rake the moss out of your lawn two weeks after application.



MOSS PRODUCT RECOMMENDATIONS

Shop the Kings online store for all your gardening needs



WEED WEAPON NATURAL POWER

An organic, quick and effective control of a wide range of weeds, clovers, algae and mosses.

Makes 10L



FOR MORE ADVICE CONTACT US

0800 PLANTS 09 410 9726

www.plantdoctor.co.nz plantdoctor@kings.co.nz