



## Espoma Organic<sup>®</sup> Lawn Starter 3-6-3

- ✓ **First & Only Organic Lawn Starter!**
- ✓ **Safe for kids, pets and the environment**
- ✓ **High Phosphate Formula (3-6-3)**
- ✓ **Granulated for Easy Spreading**
- ✓ **Enhanced with Bio-tone<sup>®</sup> Microbes**

**Espoma Organic<sup>®</sup> Lawn Starter**, with proprietary Bio-tone microbes, is a premium lawn food that is ideal for establishing new lawns from seed or sod. It is higher in phosphorus than our other lawn foods in order to help grow strong root systems. It is made from natural and organic plant food ingredients with no sludges or fillers. The Organics in Lawn Starter break down gradually to provide a safe, long lasting food reservoir throughout the growing season.

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## FACT SHEET

### Espoma Organic<sup>®</sup> Lawn Starter 3-6-3 GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Total Nitrogen (N).....	3.0%	ALSO CONTAINS NON PLANT FOOD INGREDIENTS	
0.2% .....	Ammoniacal Nitrogen	Contains a total of 624 Colony Forming Units (CFU)	
0.9% .....	Other Water Soluble Nitrogen	per gram of the following species:	
1.9% .....	Water Insoluble Nitrogen*		
Available Phosphate (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ).....	6.0%	Bacillus licheniformis	208 CFU per gram
Soluble Potash (K <sub>2</sub> O).....	3.0%	Bacillus megaterium	208 CFU per gram
Calcium(Ca).....	4.0%	Bacillus pumilus	208 CFU per gram

Derived from: Bone Meal, Pasteurized Poultry Manure, and Sulfate of Potash Magnesia.  
\* 1.9% Slow Release Nitrogen from Bone Meal and Pasteurized Poultry Manure.

### Where to Use

For use on newly seeded and sodded areas.

### Application Rate

Apply at a rate of 12 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft.

Use spreader settings below or spreader manufacturer recommendations.

Spreader Model	Setting
All Scotts <sup>®</sup> Drop Spreaders	9
All Scotts <sup>®</sup> Broadcast Spreaders	10
All Earthway Broadcast Spreaders	22

The above spreader settings will vary according to the rate of walk and the mechanical condition of the spreader. Adjustment to the spreader setting may be required to apply the proper amount.

### How to Use

If over seeding an existing lawn cut the grass first. Then apply Espoma Organic Lawn Starter with a drop or broadcast spreader and be certain to overlap slightly for best coverage. After seeding or sod installation water and keep the area moist with light frequent watering until the new grass has been cut twice. After that time resume normal watering.

### When to Use

Apply when seeding a new lawn, over seeding an existing lawn, or starting turf from sod or plugs. Local regulations may restrict the timing of fertilizer applications to lawns.

### Helpful Lawn Hints

- ✓ **No buzz cuts.** Raise your cutting height to at least 3 inches. This helps the grass develop stronger roots while it shades the soil making weed seed germination difficult.
- ✓ **Keep mower blades sharp.** Never remove more than 1/3 of the grass blade in a single cutting.
- ✓ **Use a mulching mower.** Yearly nitrogen requirements can be reduced by up to 1/3 when grass clippings are returned to the lawn.
- ✓ **Check pH annually.** Most varieties prefer a pH of 6.5 to 7.0. Adjust with Espoma Organic Lightning Lime™ to raise, and Espoma Organic Soil Acidifier to lower pH.
- ✓ **Water thoroughly.** Most turf grasses will require 1 inch of water per week. In spring and fall, long and deep watering is preferred. In the heat of summer, lighter but more frequent watering is recommended. It is best to water in the morning.