

BE A STORMWATER STEWARD

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Limit
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Compost
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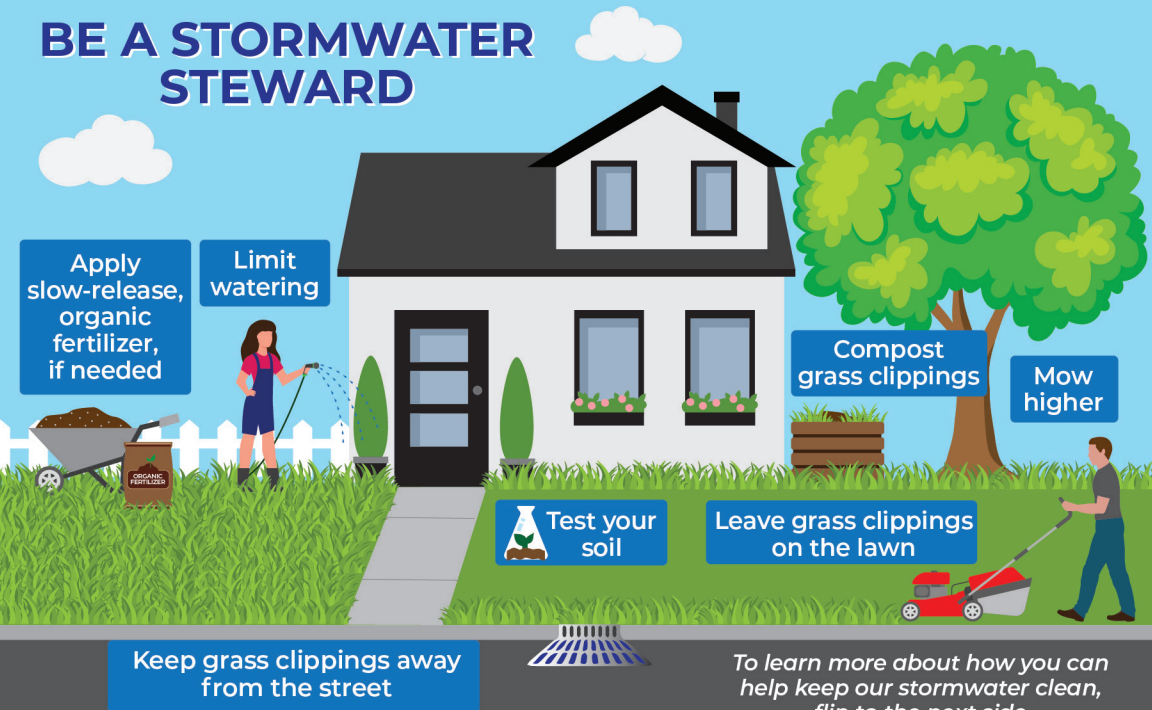
Mow
higher

Test your
soil

Leave grass clippings
on the lawn

Keep grass clippings away
from the street

*To learn more about how you can
help keep our stormwater clean,
flip to the next side*



MILLIS RESIDENT: YOU CAN BE A STORMWATER STEWARD!

The following actions will help our stormwater system and the water quality that is discharged into our receiving waters.



Apply slow-release, organic (no phosphorous) fertilizer, as needed, and not before rain.



Test your soil to determine if you need fertilizer and how much.



Limit watering to 1 inch in the morning to prevent washing away fertilizer.



Leave grass clippings on the lawn to quickly decompose and act as a natural fertilizer.



Set mower blade at 3 inches to help root growth and limit runoff nutrients.



Keep grass clippings clear of the street and storm drains to avoid clogging the stormwater system and adding harmful substances to our waterways.



Collect your grass clippings in a bag and then empty them out on a compost pile.

For more information, visit www.ThinkBlueMassachusetts.org