



Renaissance Community Coalition

Hate Weeds Program

The Board of Directors, working with Renaissance Community Coalition, a group of Renaissance clients, has arranged for convenient low cost application of "pre-emergent" for homeowners who would like to participate. Pre-emergent is a mixture of chemicals sprayed on your rock areas to help prevent weeds from growing in those areas. Applying pre-emergent twice yearly can make weed control almost effortless.

If you have weeds in driveways, ornamental landscape plantings, orchards and gardens, or other areas, now is the time to plan for weed control. Post-emergent herbicides are an effective tool to control large weed populations or deep-rooted perennial weeds. However, if you have had many weed seedlings in past summers, you may want to consider an application of pre-emergent herbicide.

Pre-emergent herbicides are only effective when applied before weeds germinate on soil that has been recently cultivated, irrigated, and allowed to settle. Pre-emergent herbicides kill germinating seedlings of both annual and perennial weeds. Once applied, they are incorporated by rainfall or irrigation and are effective for about six months. Pre-emergent herbicides work well in ornamental landscapes and other areas where weeds tend to flourish.

The cost for front yard application is \$30 for coalition homeowners. If you have no pets and your back yard is accessible, for \$45 the technicians can spray the rock areas in both your front and back yards. To participate in the program, fill out an online application, found at www.rcoalition.com before the deadline, send it with your payment in advance, and when your community is sprayed, the chemicals will be applied to your yard. If you have any questions, please contact Renaissance Community Partners at 480-813-6788.

Rear Yard Participation:

If you select both front and back yard, the technician must have full access to the back yard during the spraying period (no dogs, locked gates or other restrictions). There must be no pets free in your back yard. We will provide you the week the exterminators will be through your community, but if the technicians see or hear a dog in the back yard, they are instructed to exit the back yard without doing the work.

Notification:

You will be notified the week the technicians will be in your neighborhood.

YOU MUST SPRAY YOUR ROCKS DOWN AFTER TREATMENT TO ACTIVATE THE CHEMICAL

Questions and Answers:

- Will the spray harm my plants?
 - No, it will help to create a barrier to prevent weed seeds from germinating.

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- Will the chemicals harm my pets?
 - No it is pet safe.
- Are the chemicals safe for my children?
 - As long as your children are not eating the rocks the chemicals will not affect them. Generally, ingesting rocks is usually discouraged by humans.
- How will I know when they came?
 - The chemical leaves an orange/yellow color on your rocks that will wash away with rains.
- Why are my rocks orange?
 - The color is a dye in the chemical that will wash away. It is not dangerous.

The Process:

At the coalition web site, www.rcoalition.com (click on Hate Weeds?) you can download the approval form and the instructions.



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