

## Hose-End Sprayer Instructions

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***There is always some trial-and-error when you use a hose-end applicator, but the speed and ease of use on larger areas makes it worth it.***

1. Determine how much area you plan to cover with the product.
2. Determine how much of the product you want to use based on the rates in your instructions. For example, the recommended amount of Garden Hero's *Grower's Blend* for lawns and garden feeding is 3 tablespoons, or 1 ½ oz per 1000 sf. You want to cover 2000 sf of lawn. So you would need 6 tablespoons or 3 oz total product.
3. Put in 3 oz of *Grower's Blend* in the spray bottle and add water to near full. Stir for 30 seconds or more until the product is totally dissolved. Add more water to the fill line of the bottle, and then attach the spray nozzle.
4. Turn the water on at about ¾ pressure. ***Set the sprayer to 2 oz per /gallon of water as a starting point.***
5. Walk at a moderate pace spraying a 6-8 wide swath. Keep moving the whole time you are spraying. After you have sprayed ¼ of the yard, stop to see how much of the product you have used. Is ¼ of the bottle empty?
6. *If you have used too little*, you can go over the area again, but for the remainder of the lawn, do one or more of the following:
  - Walk a little slower when you spray.
  - Spray a narrower swath.
  - Increase the sprayer setting to 3 or more ounce per gallon,
7. *If you have sprayed too much*, do one or more of the following:
  - Walk a little faster when you spray.
  - Spray a wider swath.
  - Lower the sprayer setting, to 1 or less ounces per gallon.

On your next application you should have a better idea of how fast or slow you need to go to get it applied correctly, but we still suggest stopping after doing part of the lawn, to check on how much you have used.

**Note:** If your hose end sprayer is *not an adjustable type* you can still use the above method to apply, but first test the sprayer filling it just with water, to see how much area you can cover with a filled spray bottle.

**For more information on how a hose end sprayer works and how to use one, read the article on our lawn educational site [here](#).**