

Pace or Speed Guide

When applying anything to the lawn a certain amount of care needs to be taken. Therefore rushing isn't the way of going about it. A steady unhurried walking pace allows you to concentrate on the job in hand and to take care not to spray or apply chemicals on to precious plants in the borders.

For most people this walking speed works out to be about 2.5 to 3mph. If you manage a speed in that broad range it will help you get the right amount of product on to your grass giving your efforts a greater chance of success.

How can you check your 'lawn' walking speed?

Ideally it's a steady walk with moderate steps. Not big strides or a quick step!

2.5mph is	67 metres in 60 seconds	or	100metres in 90 seconds
3mph is	80 metres in 60 seconds	or	100metres in 75 seconds

So, if you can measure 100 metres on the footpath outside your house and then walk it in 75 to 90 seconds you are as good as you'll get. If you can't use or measure the footpath use an area with a standard length. For example:

A small football pitch is 91 metres

A hockey pitch should also be 91 metres

It should take you between 67 and 81 seconds to walk it

A large football pitch is 120 metres

It should take you between one and a half and one minute 48 seconds to walk

A tennis court is 24 metres long

Therefore it should take you between 18 and 22 seconds to walk it

A bowling green is 38 metres by 38 metres

Therefore it should take you between 29 and 34 seconds to walk one side

A rugby pitch is 100 metres – perfect!

NB For the products you are using close is good enough.