

FACT SHEET for:
Cylinder Mowing – The Cheat’s Way

Cylinder Mowing – the cheat’s way – using a rotary mower

- 1) You want your lawn looking like a golf green, you would love to have your lawn mowed with a cylinder mower. Let me show you the cheat’s way
- 2) You get a great finish to your lawn using a Cylinder mower, however, not everyone wants a cylinder mower, nor can they afford them, they are quite expensive
- 3) Start mowing around the perimeter a couple of times
- 4) Then start mowing in 1 Direction
- 5) Mow the whole lawn in 1 direction
- 6) Empty the catcher, notice how full the catcher is with grass clippings
- 7) Ok now we re-mow the whole lawn 90 degrees to the original direction
- 8) Then you see that we have only collected a smaller load of grass clippings, however, on the same mower height we are still getting some grass off, as it is in a different direction
- 9) The benefit of mowing in 2 directions is you prevent the grass from falling over and developing thatch. So this is in effect the same result as you get with a cylinder mower
- 10) Price of cylinder mower versus a rotary mower is 3 to 1, so maybe \$2,500 for a cylinder mower and say around \$800 for a push (non-self-propelled) rotary mower
- 11) So a rotary mower gives just as good a result as a cylinder mower if you know what you are doing – that is, the cheat’s way
- 12) Did you know the rotary mower was invented here in good ol’ Oz – check this out at <http://www.victa.com/au/about-us>
- 13) If you are a contractor then this may not be practical, however, you will need to practice good lawn management to ensure the grass is thatch free and healthy