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Barley Straw FAQs

What does Barley Straw do?

Barley Straw controls the growth of algae and duckweed. It is able to do this by suppressing important nutrients the plants need to grow .

Does Barley Straw work on all plants?

The short answer is no Barley Straw does not work on all plant types. Any plant that has roots in the ground such as curlyleaf, coontail, and others, are not affected by barley straw.

When should I apply?

Best time to apply Barley straw is in May and early June. The water must be at an optimal temperature for the Barley Straw to work, therefore a May to early June timeframe is recommended.

Can I apply Barley Straw after June?

Yes you can. Barley Straw is a long term treatment , therefore any little bit helps.

How many times a year do you apply?

Barley Straw is applied once per year, this application is able to endure the whole summer.

Are there any bad side effects?

There are not any bad side effects to Barley Straw application.

What if the barley treatment does not work?

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