

## Attention Lawn Service Owners and Workers

The algae in our canals has become a major problem for our neighborhood this year.

The algae is caused by high levels of nutrients in the very warm water.

**The main source of these nutrients is lawn and plant debris blown into the canal.**

Please help us by:

- Not blowing grass, leaves, clippings, etc., into the canal
- Blowing any grass, leaves, & clippings on top of the seawall and on the dock back into the yard.
- Removing any pond fronds and coconuts that fall into the canal and haul them off.

### Fertilizer

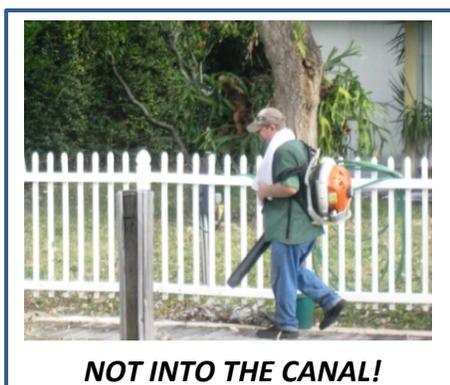
Note that it is illegal to apply fertilizer within 10 feet of the water, per Fort Lauderdale City Code Sec. 28-4.

That same section of the City Code states: “ All businesses applying fertilizer to turf and/or landscape plants...must ensure that at least one employee has a “Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries” training certificate...”

Please ensure that all members of your crew are aware of this situation

Lastly, be aware that there are many neighbors who will call the police if they observe lawn service workers blowing grass and plant material into the canal. If the police are called, you could be subject to serious fines for violations.

***Thank you for your cooperation and helping to keep our canals clean and healthy.***



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