

Parks & Grass Cutting

Grass cutting in City parks and boulevards is performed from May to October.

Meet the Fleet

A wide area mower is used for most parks and all sports fields, as they can cut large areas in less time. Pickering has four large area mowers, one of which is almost always serving sports fields. For more precise work, and to access intricate spaces, the City will deploy its trim crews, which use string trimmers and trim crew mowers to access spots that area mowers can't cut.



Wide area mower



String trimmer



Trim crew mower

Phase Mowing

The City typically sends in wide area mowers before trim crews in order to expedite the grass cutting process. This is called phase mowing and means that sections of a park may be cut at different times by other equipment.

Schedule and Interruptions

Did you know that inclement weather (e.g. heavy rain) can affect the City's grass cutting schedules?

- Parks are cut every 7 working days and trimmed every 16 working days
- Boulevards are cut and trimmed every 20 working days
- High priority locations are cut and trimmed weekly (includes sports fields and the Pickering Civic Complex)

Wet conditions can cause our wide area mowers to get stuck, or slip, and cause damage to the turf and/or injure operators. For this reason, certain areas may be left partially cut, or be cut with smaller, lighter mowers, which can take longer and delay crews in their typical cutting schedule.



We appreciate your patience and understanding.