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Too often, environmentalism is viewed as “extra.” It feels like a separate thing that you have to do on top of everything else in your life, instead of an integral framework for the way we live. Since modern society is designed around overconsumption and waste, it is true that being environmentally responsible requires more intention and effort than just not thinking about it.

But every now and then, environmentalists get lucky. Sometimes being green is about doing less and not working so hard. This is often the case when it comes to your lawn. Take, for example, grasscycling.

What Is Grasscycling?

Grasscycling is as simple as mowing the lawn and leaving the clippings lying on the ground.

If you’ve been raking and bagging, congratulations! You can now free up hours of your summer. If you have a self-bagging lawn mower, all you really have to do is remove the bag.

Some lawnmowers have a special setting for grasscycling that chops the clippings into smaller pieces to speed decomposition. If your lawnmower has this setting, by all means, use it. But if you don’t have it, don’t feel the need to buy a new mower. Even with regular mowing settings, grass clippings will break down quickly in the lawn.

Why Grasscycle?

Grasscycling saves time and reduces waste.