UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Amendment No. 2

THE SCOTTS COMPANY (Name of Issuer)

CLASS A COMMON STOCK (Title of Class of Securities)

#### 810186106 (CUSIP Number)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement ( ).

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(1) Names of Reporting Persons S.S. or I.R.S. Identification Nos. of Above Persons

Trimark Financial Corporation

(2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

(a) (b) (x)

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Trimark Financial Corporation is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Ontario, Canada

Number of (5) Sole Voting Power 1,348,100 shares Shares Benefici- (6) Shared Voting Power NIL ally Owned by Each (7) Sole Dispositive Power 1,348,100 shares Reporting Person With (8) Shared Dispositive Power NIL

(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 1,348,100 shares

(10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares

# Not applicable

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row 9

7.2 % of outstanding Class A common shares

(12) Type of Reporting Person HC (see item 2A)

Item 1(a)

Name of Issuer: The Scotts Company

Item 1(b)

Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

14111 Scottslawn Road Marysville, Ohio 43041

Item 2(a)

Name of Person Filing:

Certain Trimark mutual funds (the Funds), which are trusts organized under the laws of Ontario, Canada, are owners of record of the securities covered by this report. Trimark Investment Management Inc. (TIMI), a corporation incorporated under the laws of Canada, is a manager and trustee of the Funds. TIMI is qualified to act as an investment adviser and manager of the Funds in the province of Ontario pursuant to a registration under the Securities Act (Ontario). Trimark Financial Corporation (TFC) is a corporation incorporated under the laws of Ontario, Canada. It owns 100% of the voting equity securities of TIMI. Consequently, TFC may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of such securities.

Item 2(b)

Address of Principal Business Office:

One First Canadian Place Suite 5600, P.O. Box 487 Toronto, Ontario M5X 1E5

(416) 362-7181

Item 2(c)

Citizenship: Trimark Financial Corporation - Incorporated under the laws of Ontario, Canada Trimark Investment Management Inc. - Incorporated under the laws of Canada

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Trimark}}$  mutual funds - mutual fund trusts organized under the laws of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}}\xspace{\mathsf{trans}}$  transformed and trusts organized under the laws of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}}\xspace{\mathsf{trans}}$  transformed and trusts organized under the laws of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}}\xspace{\mathsf{trans}}$  transformed and trusts organized under the laws of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}}\xspace{\mathsf{trans}}$  transformed and trusts organized under the laws of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}}\xspace{\mathsf{trans}}$  transformed and trusts organized under the laws of transformed and transformed and transformed and trusts organized under the laws of transformed and transformed an

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Item 2(d)
Title of Class of Securities: Class A Common Stock
Item 2(e)
CUSIP Number:
                    810186106
Item 3
If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-
2(b), check whether the
person filing is a:
                    Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15
   (a)
        ( )
of the Act
                    Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the
   (b)
          (
            )
Act
(c) ( )
3(a)(19) of the Act
                    Insurance Company as defined in section
                    Investment Company registered under section 8
   (d)
              )
         (
of the Investment
              Company Act
   (e)
         ( )
                    Investment Adviser registered under section
203 of the Investment
                                        Advisers Act of 1940
   (f)
                    Employee Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is
          (
              )
subject to the
                                   provisions of the Employee
Retirement Income Security Act of
               1974 or Endowment Fund; see 240.13d-1(b) (1)
(ii)(F)
          (x ) Parent Holding Company, in accordance with
   (g)
240.13d-1(b) (ii)(G)
               (Note: See Item 7)
                    Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)
   (h)
          (
              )
(ii)(H)
               (see item 2A)
Item 4
Ownership.
          Amount Beneficially Owned*:
   (a)
          1,348,100 shares
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(b) Percent of Class:

7.2 %

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has\*:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: (TFC)
1,348,100

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: NIL
(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: (TFC)
1,348,100
(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: NIL

\* (see item 2(a))

Item 5

Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Inapplicable

#### Item 6

Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Inapplicable

Item 7

Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

See item 2(a)

## Item 8

Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Inapplicable

### Item 9

Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Inapplicable

Certification. By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect. Signature. After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 11, 1998

Signature:

Name/Title: Michael Kevin Feeney, Chief Financial Officer, on behalf of Trimark Financial Corporation in its capacity as a "Reporting Person" herein.

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).

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