

Important Watering Guidelines for Newly Installed Plants

Newly planted trees, shrubs, and perennials need regular, supplemental watering—especially during heat waves or drought. Natural rainfall often isn't enough to fully soak the root zone, particularly during the establishment period.

To protect your landscape investment and ensure the health of your plants, please take a moment to review the guidelines below. **Remember, failing to water as directed will void any Wasson plant warranties.**

PLANT WATERING GUIDE

SHRUBS

- **First 6 Weeks:** Water 2–3×/week; increase frequency during extreme heat.
- **After Establishment:** Water once per week, depending on the weather.
- Always water at the base to avoid leaf disease.

TREES

- **First Year:** Deep water 1–2×/week, depending on the weather.
- Use a hose on a slow trickle for 20–30 minutes at the base.
- Aim for 12–18 inches of soil saturation.
- **After Year One:** Water every 2–3 weeks during dry periods.

PERENNIALS & GROUND COVER

- **First Month:** Water daily during hot weather.
- **After Establishment:** Water once or twice a week during dry conditions.
- Check soil moisture by inserting your finger into the soil—if it's dry two inches down, it's time to water.

GENERAL WATERING TIPS

- **First Month:** Water daily during hot weather.
- **After Establishment:** Water once or twice a week during dry conditions.
- Check soil moisture by inserting your finger into the soil—if it's dry two inches down, it's time to water.
- Avoid overwatering—soggy soil can damage roots as much as dryness.

SOD & SEEDING

NEW SOD

- **Weeks 1–2:** Water 2–3×/day, light soak ($\frac{1}{2}$ –1"), keep moist, but avoid creating puddles.
- **Weeks 3–4:** Water daily/every other day, soak deeper into soil (3–4").
- **After 4 Weeks:** Water 1–2×/week deep waterings; adjust for rainfall, and temps.

NEW SEED

- **Germination Stage (Day 5–21):** Water 2–3×/day, light mist (top $\frac{1}{2}$ "), avoid runoff.
- **Post-Germination (First Mowing):** Water daily (2–3"), mow at 3–4" height.
- **After Establishment:** Water 1–2×/week, water deeply to encourage strong roots.

For questions or additional guidance, please contact us—we're committed to supporting the long-term success of your landscape.

