

Lawn Watering Guide



Lawn watering uses nearly half of the water around homes. Most of us tend to water too often and leave the sprinklers on too long.

Turf studies have shown that most lawns only need to be watered one every 3 or 4 days to stay healthy and green. Watering every day creates shallow roots. Watering infrequently develops deep roots and healthier turf. Grass root grow deeper into the soil and become stronger with less watering. If grass does not spring back after being stepped on it's time to water. Water only when needed.

Use the watering schedule as a guide. Your lawn may need more water when it's extra hot or less when it's cool. Water less when it rains. Avoid watering on windy days or midday when the evaporation level is the highest. Try to water during the early morning hours. Proper lawn watering can save a lot of water - and that save you money. For more information on water conservation call (801) 538-7299.

Determine you lawn watering needs.

1. Set 3 or more flat bottom cans or coffee mugs at various places on your lawn at least 4 feet from the sprinkler head.
2. Turn on your sprinkler(s) for 15 minuets.
3. Measure the depth of water in each can with a ruler and determine the average water depth in the cans.
4. Match your sprinkler output with the table below. Then water the number of minutes indicated.
 - o **For Example:**If your system puts out only 1/8 of an inch of water in 15 minutes you need to leave your sprinklers running for 52 minutes every four days to apply adequate water (this is for Spring). If your system is putting out 1 inch of water in 15 minutes then you need to leave your system running for 6 minutes every four days (for Spring)

Water Depth in Cans		1/8	3/16	1/4	5/16	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	1
S e a s	Spring	Watering Time In Minutes								
	(Water every 4 days)	52	34	26	20	17	13	10	9	6

O n	Summer	104	69	52	41	35	26	21	17	13
	(Water every 3 days)									
	Fall	69	51	39	31	26	19	15	13	10
	(Water every 3 days)									

* Water through October 15 and again November 1st for Winter.

Note: If water begins to run off; stop and let it soak in a few minutes, then continue for the recommended time.

St George / Dixie Area - Add 10 minutes to watering times above.