



WATERING GUIDE

- ☙ All trees and shrubs should be watered thoroughly, immediately after planting and should be watered regularly thereafter, making sure the soil stays consistently moist.
- ☙ Don't rely solely on rain events. Most rain events are too sparse and sporadic to affect the water needs of newly planted trees, shrubs or perennials.
- ☙ Soak all plants at least three times a week until they are established. (See watering table)
- ☙ Once new plants/trees become established, water at least once a week for the duration of the growing season.
- ☙ For deep rooted plants, it's better to water infrequently with large amounts of water than to water frequently with smaller amounts of water.
- ☙ To be sure you are providing enough water regularly, we suggest using the bucket method. (A 5 gal. bucket is ideal)
- ☙ Always water during any dry spells and apply mulch around the base of plants to help preserve soil moisture.
- ☙ Maintain water to all plants going into fall, keeping the soil moist before the ground freezes.
- ☙ Different types of soil will retain different amounts of moisture. To check the moisture content, dig down 6-inches. If the soil is crumbly, hard or dusty it's too dry. If, when squeezed, water drips out, it's too wet. Properly moist soil, when squeezed, will hold together but no water will drip out.
- ☙ 1-inch of water per plant, per week rule, equates approx. to 2.5-3 gallons every 2-3 days, or more if it is hot and dry. With high water use trees or shrubs, this amount should be doubled to 2-inches per plant, per week. Or approx. 5-7 gal. every 2-3 days.

Plants	Gallons
Deciduous Shrubs 12" - 24"	2 to 4
Deciduous Shrubs 2' - 4'	4 to 6
Small Evergreens	4 to 6
Evergreen Trees	8 to 10
Small Trees 4' - 10'	10 to 15
Large Trees 10' - 15'	15 to 25

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