

The Basics of Watering Newly Planted Landscapes

- If there is less than one inch of rainfall per week, water plants thoroughly once a week.
- Apply water slowly and repeatedly to allow it to soak into the soil.
- One rule of thumb is to water so that it is penetrating 6"-8" below the surface of the soil.
- Morning is the best time of day to water plants. When plant foliage remains wet overnight, it provides an ideal environment for fungus diseases.
- Watch plants for wilting and other signs of water stress. (Misting the foliage with a fine spray helps revive wilted plants)
- Mist the plants in early morning to help prevent foliar burn.
- Remember: Plants need more water when they are actively growing (spring and summer), than when they are dormant (fall and winter)

