



Newly Installed Lawn Watering Guide

Seed Care Instructions for (1)Seed over bare soil, (2)Seed with erosion blanket/straw,
(3)Hydro mulch

Sod Care Instructions for Peat Sod, Mineral Sod

Why Watering Matters

Proper watering is the #1 factor in establishing a healthy, thick lawn

Seed Installation (Weeks 0-4)

Water 2-4 times per day (light, frequent)

Keep soil consistently moist (not soaked)

Avoid puddling or runoff

Seed (Weeks 4-6+)

Reduce watering to 3x a week

Begin deeper, longer watering

Sod Installation (Weeks 0-2)

Water immediately after install

Water 2x a day

Ensure moisture reaches soil underneath, water deep almost to point of runoff

Sod (Weeks 2-4)

Water 3x a week

Increase Watering Time

Established Lawns

Water 2-3x per week

Deep watering (30-60+minutes)

Best Practices

Water early morning

Avoid late evening watering

Use footprint test to check moisture

Mow new turf when it reaches about 4.5"-6" high

Cut back to 3.5"-4" high

Leave slightly longer for awhile