

Tree Watering Guide

Every time a tree or plant is watered, the soil should be thoroughly saturated to a depth of at least 2 to 3 feet and at least as wide as the well. Immediately after planting, new trees and plants should be watered. When watering, allow hose or drip system to very slowly apply the water over a longer period of time. This allows water to penetrate deeper and reach all areas of the roots. Remember, the goal is to water the entire root zone each time water is applied.

During Hot Weather: During periods where the daytime high temperature exceeds 102°, please provide at least 1 additional time per week of watering for all varieties.

Adjust Watering for Rain: During periods of extensive rainfall, be sure to adjust watering accordingly. If you get a significant rain (1/2" or more) you should discontinue watering and resume approximately 5 to 7 days after rain ends (12 to 20 days if its winter).

Check Your Soil for Proper Water: An easy way to see if your soil is too wet or too dry is to pull the mulch back and dig 2-3 inches deep. If the soil is dry and crumbly then you need to adjust your watering frequency. If the soil is muddy and soft, you need to adjust back the frequency of watering. By checking this a few times during the first couple months, you will get a good "feel" for how fast or slow your soil dries out and can adjust your watering frequency accordingly. These watering schedules are based on average conditions in the area. They should be followed for at least the first 2 years after planting. You may have soil or water conditions that dictate slightly more or less watering frequency.

Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
1-2 times per week	2-3 times per week	1-2 times per week	Once every 10 days