



CLEAN CUT

RECOMMENDED WATERING INSTRUCTIONS

Watering guidelines from Clean Cut Landscape are a starting point, and the survivability of your trees, shrubs & turf is dependent on your attention and care. Trees, shrubs and turf are unique living beings, and the amount of watering required for your plant material to thrive is variable depending on site conditions and weather. You may need to adjust watering if your plant material is showing signs of stress.

After new plantings, root systems will grow and establish until they are much wider than the above ground portion of the plant. During this establishment time, newly planted trees, shrubs and seeds need constant watering to prevent stress. Morning watering is preferred because it supplies them with water to get through the day's heat. It leaves time to dry before nightfall, which helps prevent fungal diseases. Establishment of plant material normally takes two seasons.

PLEASE, call us at the FIRST Please call us at the first signs of stress NOT when your plant is dead and we cannot help you save it!

Clean Cut Landscape will not replace/warranty plant material when it is shown watering has not been sufficient.

Watering Trees & Shrubs

The quantity of water needed each week depends on the size of the tree. The rule of thumb is a tree needs 5 gallons of water plus 5 gallons for each inch caliper (diameter of main leader) weekly.

Deciduous (Trees with Leaf's) & Shrub Recommendations

FREQUENCY & QUANTITY:

WEEKS 1-3

New Plantings - Every Day

- Slow trickle for 5 minutes, per tree or shrub.

WEEKS 4-8

Every 2-3 Days

- Slow trickle for 5 minutes, per tree or shrub until established.

Evergreen (Trees with Needles) & Shrub Recommendations

FREQUENCY & QUANTITY:

WEEKS 1-8

New Plantings - Every 3rd Day SOAKING

- Deep soaking required - 5 gallon bucket, 8 - 1/8" holes in bottom. Set close to main stem and let empty.

WEEK 9 - End of growing season

Every 3 days

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Yellow leaves and needles typically indicate the plant material is getting too much or too little water. This is where your investigation begins.

Watering New Turf (Hydroseeding)

Newly Hydroseeded Turf Recommendations

FREQUENCY & QUANTITY:

After the lawn is first Hydroseeded, allow the mulch to dry before watering. (Usually dry in the next few days.)

During the first two weeks, water all areas every day keeping area slightly moist to speed up germination. During extreme heat conditions, you can cook the grass and invite fungus by watering. In shady areas, allow the mulch to dry out between watering. After you have mowed the lawn once, water less often while increasing the watering time. This will promote deeper root growth.

WEEKS 1-2

New hydroseeded area - Every Day (10-20 min per section)

- No need to water if heavy rain (<.25") is predicted within 12 hours.

WEEKS 3-6

- Every 2-3 Days (10-20 min per section)
- Your turf should receive 1" to 2" of water per week, on average.

Mowing Schedule

Wait until new grass is 4" in height, then mow when needed (When you think it needs mowing, it probably is ready). Allow area to dry out before mowing and cut the grass on a high setting (3.5") to keep the grass cooler and weed seeds from germinating. Repeated mowing will promote root growth. You do not have to pick up the clippings unless the grass cuttings are smothering the new grass.

The best time to water grass seed is in the morning and evening. These are the coolest parts of the day, which allows water to absorb into the ground instead of evaporating.

Watering New Turf (Overseeding)

Newly Seeded Turf Recommendations

FREQUENCY & QUANTITY:

WEEKS 1-2

Every Day (10-20 min per section)

- You'll want to maintain moisture in the seeding area from this point on. Remember that if the seeds are allowed to dry out, they will die.

WEEKS 3-6

Every 2-3 Days (10-20 min per section)

- The goal is to maintain moisture at all times.
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