



WATERING INSTRUCTIONS

Watering your newly planted material is crucial for its health and survival, particularly during the summer months.

- The best time to water is early morning (6-9am) or early evening (4-7pm).
- Water once a week when temperatures remain below 65F and at least twice a week when temperatures exceed 70F.
- Do not use a sprinkler on plants in the middle of the day. Water on leaves on a sunny day will burn tender foliage.
- The best method of watering trees is to use a hose on a slow trickle around the root ball of the tree. Allow time for the water to be absorbed into the soil and avoid runoff.
- During winter months watering is not required. Once the ground thaws in the spring watering can resume as needed.
- Trees should receive 10 gallons of water weekly for every caliper inch. For example, a 2.5" tree should receive 25 gallons of water weekly. That can be spread out into two waterings.

Remember, even though it may have rained, the root system of your plant material may not be wet. Soil on the surface around the plant material may be damp while the root system may be bone dry. When in doubt, dig down to the root system. If dry or too wet, adjust watering accordingly. Soil should be moist to the touch but not wet enough to be molded into a ball.