

Watering Guidelines

- *When irrigation water to the neighborhood system is turned on in the spring, make sure to close your main valve to avoid a flood.
- *Water deep, not often, to encourage the grass roots to grow. Over watering will smother the roots.
- *No one should have to water every day unless you have planted new grass. Suggested schedule is three days a week for 10-20 minutes per zone. Time depends on the number and type of sprinkler heads in your yard. Heads that spray constantly require less time than those that oscillate.
- *Regularly check your sprinklers, as they water, to make sure they are adjusted correctly. They should not be watering the driveway, sidewalk or street.
- *If you see water running down the street from your yard, you are either watering too long, sprinklers need adjusting, or you may need to have your lawn aerated (plugs removed to allow water to soak in). You may need to call a landscaper to adjust your clock and/or sprinkler heads.
- *Water less when the weather is cooler in the spring and fall, and increase watering time during the summer.
- *Set your timer to water in the early morning or evening. Watering during the heat of the day wastes water because of evaporation.
- *Be vigilant that you are not causing water to run onto neighboring yards.
- *If you have a concrete V pan drain in your back yard, make sure it is kept free of any obstruction so that water can drain to the storm drains.

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