

Lawn Watering Guidelines (*continued*)

How Much Water Does a Healthy Lawn Need?

Watering Times will help you determine how long to water each zone on your watering day.

Watering Months	Watering Times (minutes per zone)		
	Fixed Spray Heads	Rotor Heads	Manual Sprinklers
JAN-APRIL	Water as needed, especially trees and shrubs		
MAY	13	29	20
JUNE	20	43	30
JULY	23	50	35
AUGUST	20	43	30
SEPTEMBER	13	29	20
OCTOBER	Water as needed, especially trees and shrubs		

Keep in mind, if you adopt this chart as your watering guideline, that the number of minutes is **per watering day**, and are average watering minutes. You may need much less water on your yard, or perhaps a bit more water depending on your individual yard and landscape. If you have a typical rotor sprinkling system, you can set the clock times for 43 minutes in June, water your lawn on two or three watering days a week, and keep the lawn healthy. Remember that shorter times with higher frequency are better for the lawn. Instead of setting your timers for one 43 minute cycle on your watering days, use the repeat cycle approach, giving the lawn two waterings of 21 minutes each, spaced a half hour or so apart so the application can soak in.

To best manage your lawn's look and health, let these Best Management Practices grow into habits. Your outdoor water use will be sensible and efficient. Even when droughts return, these practices can help your landscape survive.