




# GENERAL LAWN WATERING GUIDE

HOW LONG?*	 FIXED SPRAY HEAD	 ROTOR HEAD	 ROTARY NOZZLE
CLAY SOIL	<b>25</b> MINS	<b>55</b> MINS	<b>65</b> MINS
SANDY SOIL	<b>15</b> MINS	<b>35</b> MINS	<b>45</b> MINS

## BEST PRACTICES

(All values are total minutes)

1. Use the "cycle and soak" method to minimize runoff when watering. Set each zone for half the time listed above, run all zones once, then run each zone a second time. This method is especially important for clay soil which absorbs water at a much slower rate.
2. Early morning as the sun rises is the best time to water your lawn since grass absorbs more water before the soil has baked under the heat of the sun all day.
3. Test your sprinklers regularly and adjust as needed.

\*Calculations are based on the following assumptions:

Fixed Spray Head: at 30 psi with a rate of precipitation of 1.75 in/hr

Rotor Head: at 45-50 psi with a rate of precipitation of 0.75 in/hr

Rotary Nozzle: at 40-45 psi with a rate of precipitation of 0.60 in/hr

These watering times are approximate and may vary by area, season and sprinkler system.

HOW OFTEN?*	MOTHER'S DAY	FATHER'S DAY	LABOR DAY
CLAY SOIL	ONCE EVERY <b>5</b> DAYS	ONCE EVERY <b>3</b> DAYS	ONCE EVERY <b>5</b> DAYS
SANDY SOIL	ONCE EVERY <b>3</b> DAYS	ONCE EVERY <b>2</b> DAYS	ONCE EVERY <b>3</b> DAYS

\*\*Stop watering the lawn and winterize the sprinkler system around Columbus Day. Water trees and shrubs manually as needed between October and April.



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