

## **NEW PLANT WATERING GUIDE** The 10 - 30 - 60 Rule

### Watering in the first year is crucial to new plant success. Here's how:

Turn a standard garden hose on to a trickle and place at the base of the plant. Follow the guidelines below:

10 Small plants (groundcovers, perennials, grasses, annuals) = 10 minutes

- 30 Medium plants (shrubs, small trees)= 30 minutes
  - Large plants (trees)= 60 minutes





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Follow these rules during the first month for newly installed plants:

Week	Frequency
1&2	daily
3&4	<b>2-3x</b>

## After the first month, follow the seasonal guidelines on page 2.

#### For more information, visit: heathoutdoor.net

## SEASONAL SPECIFICS

In the plant's first year (after the first month) water weekly, as follows:





# Additional tips:

• When watering overhead, water in the morning to allow





time for the leaves to dry. Avoid getting plant leaves wet when watering in the evening as fungus can set in overnight.

- If you are unsure about how much you are watering, consider investing in a hydrometer.
- Double the watering time when using a soaker hose. Wrap the hose around the base of the plant to ensure even watering.
- Install 3 inches of mulch around the plant to help keep

## Reminder

After the first few weeks of daily watering, if the rainfall exceeds 1 inch within a week, Mother Nature has done you a favor! No additional watering is necessary. in moisture. Keep the mulch away from the base of the plant.

 During a drought, some mature trees and plants will also need watering. Guidelines are specific to the plant and tree type. Look for signs and symptoms of drought stress: <u>purdueplantdoctor.com/facts</u> <u>heet/tree-104</u>