

How to Water New Sod in DFW Growing Season

(March - November)

Time Since Planting	Sprinkler Type	Watering Frequency	Duration per Zone	Suggested Schedule	Goal
First 30 Days	Rotary Head Sprinkler	4 times a day	6-15 minutes	AM: 7:00 & 11:00 PM: 3:00 & 7:00	Adjust for temperature, season, shade, slopes, and drainage, especially between houses.
	Pop up Sprinkler	4 times a day	2-5 minutes		
5th Week	Rotary Head Sprinkler	Once a day	18 minutes	Early morning	
	Pop up Sprinkler	Once a day	6 minutes		
6th Week	Refer to Gro Lawn Watering Schedule Chart				

Gro Lawn Watering Schedule

Temperature	Weekly Water Volume	Frequency
96-105 degrees	2 inches	4 Days a Week
90-95 degrees	1.5 inches	3 Days a Week
85-90 degrees	1 inch	1-2 Days a Week

How to Water Trees

Time Since Planting	Weekly Water Volume	Frequency
First Year	7-10 Gallons per 1 inch of Trunk Diameter	Weekly
Second Year	3-5 Gallons per 1 inch of Trunk Diameter	As Needed

TIPS & NTK (Nice to Knows)

- Overwatering in the coolest parts of the growing season may cause diseases like Gray Leaf Spot. Adjust accordingly, especially with St. Augustine and Zoysia lawns.
- If your city is on water restrictions, don't worry. There are special provisions to water in new lawns and landscapes for the first 30 days. Call your city and inform them of your watering schedule.

Disclaimer: This is based on the average sprinkler system. Every sprinkler system is a little different. Make adjustments as needed.

TREES & SHRUBS: Things to Take Note

- Dedicated lawn irrigation zones don't supply adequate water for newly planted trees
- A separate bubbler head per tree is recommended
- Hand water trees when bubblers are not present

LAWN CARE: Things to Take Note

- Adjust for shade, slopes and drainage
- In most years in the DFW area, sprinkler system watering isn't required until mid May - June 1, because Mother Nature is providing adequate moisture
- Do **NOT** apply weed control until after the lawn is established

Watering Tips For New Sod In DFW DORMANT SEASON

WEEK 1		WEEK 2	
Rotary Head Zones	4 times a day 6-15 minutes	Rotary Head Zones	Once a week 21-30 minutes
Pop Up Head Zones	4 times a day 2-5 minutes	Rotary Head Zones	Once a week 7-10 minutes

Water is needed to keep the first 2 inches of soil moist during the dormant season even though the sod is not actively growing. A minimum of .25 inches per week is needed to maintain moisture. **After week 2** - Automatic irrigation is only needed when Mother Nature provides less than .25 inches in a week.

POP-UP Sprinkler Head



ROTARY Sprinkler Head



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