

Irrigation, Fertilization, and Mowing Guidelines

IRRIGATION

Water Requirements can vary for locales and seasons. The guidelines below are for warm weather in Southern Utah. The necessity is that the sod base and soil remain evenly moist for the first two weeks for rooting to occur.

First 14 Days

60° – 70°: 8am, 1pm, for 15 minutes

70° – 90°: 6am, 12pm, 3pm, for 20-25 minutes

90° +: 6am, 10am, 2pm, 4pm, for 20-25 minutes

Helpful Suggestion: If run off is excessive, or sod is soggy, reduce the length of time; not the frequency.

After 14 Days

Daily for 20-25 minutes. Shaded areas may require less water.

After 30 Days

2-3 times weekly for 30 minutes. Shaded areas may require less water.

Helpful Hints

Avoid watering at night as it may promote lawn diseases.

During periods of extreme heat or dry winds, the lawn may need additional water.

The objective is to water deeply, less frequently to encourage deep rooting.

FERTILIZATION

Feed new lawn for the first time after your first mowing, at least by day 30. Use a balanced fertilizer (16-16-16 i.e.)

Feed every 4 weeks April through October. Use a balanced fertilizer with Iron (Fe) for a dark green look.

MOWING

Mow for the first time on day 14. Lawn should be dry for mowing. Never remove more than 1/3 the blade length in any one mowing. The lawn must be well established before a riding mower is used. Never let your lawn get longer than 4". Mowing weekly is recommended.

Bluegrass: 1 ½" – 2" Mowing Height

Fescue: 1 ½" – 2" Mowing Height

Bermuda: 1 ½" Mowing Height