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For Choosing Fountain Landscaping to Install Your New Landscape



- ✦ Use a water hose without a nozzle or a water wand with shower head.

SPRING

- ✦ In the Spring water once a week putting 5 to 10 gallons of water at the base of the plant every week that we don't get a soaking rain.

SUMMER

- ✦ In the Summer water twice a week putting 5 to 10 gallons of water at the base of the plant every week that we don't get a soaking rain.

FALL

- ✦ In the Fall, until the weather cools down and we have consistent rainfall, water twice a week putting 5 to 10 gallons of water at the base of the plant every week that we don't get a soaking rain.

Caring For Your New Landscape

Proper watering is essential for your new plants to survive and thrive!

Your newly planted trees and shrubs need to be watered until they are established. This means at least through the first summer, and sometimes longer, depending on the weather, the type of plant, the soil, and the competition from other larger trees and shrubs close by.

In general, we recommend plants be watered once a week in the spring if there is not a soaking rain during the week. Water twice a week in the summer and continuing into fall until we get soaking rains.

A good soaking rain is when it rains 1/4" over a whole hour and continues this way for 3 to 4 hours. On the other hand, don't be fooled by a quick storm and downpour. In this situation, the rain comes down too fast to soak in and most of it drains away.

When watering, the entire root mass needs to get soaking wet. A newly planted tree or shrub has not rooted out into the existing soil. This means all the roots are in the original rootball. To completely soak all the roots, it is best to hand water with a water hose and put 5 to 10 gallons of water, and sometimes more, at the base of the plant.

How much water you need depends on the size of the plant. Typically, a 3 gallon to 10 gallon shrub will take 5 gallons of water and most larger plants will take 10 gallons to water them properly. It takes about 1 minute to put 5 gallons of water on a plant. To find out how much water your hose is putting out, time how long it takes to fill a 5 gallon bucket.

Irrigation systems are nice after the plants are established. When used properly, they can help the first year. If you have irrigation you may be able to hand water once a week and use the irrigation once a week, but don't rely on them solely. Irrigation puts a thin layer of water over a large area but it does not fully soak the plant root ball. If you are not sure about this, try setting a 5 gallon bucket next to the plant and see how long it takes your irrigation to fill the bucket.

Contact us if you have any concerns. Enjoy your new landscape!