

WATER-WISE LANDSCAPING

Water-wise landscaping doesn't mean drab, colorless, lifeless yards, but it does mean the application of these seven important principles.

Planning & Designs that are environmentally sound, financially feasible and aesthetically pleasing.

Soil Analysis based on random sampling will provide information to properly select plants and soil amendments.

Appropriate Plant Selection using low-water use plants as much as possible. Group plants together that have similar water demands.

Use Grass Wisely in areas of the landscape where it will provide the most benefit, such as recreational areas, or on slopes to prevent erosion. Separate turfgrasses from ornamental plants in the landscape so they can be watered separately.

Efficient Irrigation that lessens water use and saves money. Apply water in the proper amount and only when necessary.

Use of Mulch reduces weeding, evaporation and slows erosion. Mulch with 2 to 3 inches of materials such as compost, ground bark, gravel or stone.

Appropriate Maintenance to the irrigation system, schedule and the landscape.

WATER MAY NOT SEEM
LIKE A BIG DEAL ...
UNTIL YOU
TRY LIVING WITHOUT IT!



CITY ORDINANCE

Park City has a landscape watering ordinance in effect between May 1 and September 30 of each year. Outside watering at even-numbered street addresses shall be limited to even-numbered days of the month and outside watering at odd-numbered addresses shall be limited to odd-numbered days of the month. Hours of outside watering shall be restricted to between 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. Exceptions to these outside watering restrictions may be permitted, in writing, by the Public Works Director for new landscaping and seeding.

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More information about the Team
can be found at
www.conservewater.utah.gov

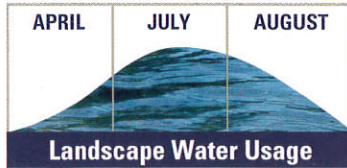


WATER IS A
PRECIOUS COMMODITY...
MAKE **EVERY DROP** COUNT.



MONTHLY WATERING GUIDE

A typical Utah lawn has a water demand curve that begins in mid-April, rises to a peak in July, and then falls rapidly until mid-October.



Adjusting your timer monthly to better follow this demand curve will save you water and money. An easy way to do this is to keep the minutes constant and increase or decrease the number of days between watering.

Month	Northern Utah
Mar.	No irrigation recommended
Apr.	No irrigation recommended
May	21 minutes every 4 days
June*	21 minutes every 3 days
July*	21 minutes every 3 days
Aug.*	21 minutes every 3 days
Sept.	21 minutes every 6 days
Oct.	21 minutes every 10 days
Nov.	No irrigation recommended
Dec.	No irrigation recommended

* Requires enrollment in 3rd day watering program. Contact Park City Water Department, 615-5335.

Watering time may vary due to differences in nozzle flow rate and sun exposure.



To make sure we have enough water for now and in the future, we need to establish a long-term water conservation ethic.

By adopting these easy water-saving tips we can help improve our water situation.

Do not water your landscape between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. (see Park City's watering ordinance on back).

Tune up your sprinkler system to avoid watering non-landscaped areas or concrete. Make sure your sprinkler system distributes water evenly.

Cycle your watering schedule by breaking up your total sprinkler run time into two or three applications, allowing an hour between waterings to let the water soak in.

Turn sprinklers off during and following a rainstorm. Do not turn them on again until you see that your lawn and plants need watering.

Sweep sidewalks, driveways, parking areas or other paved surfaces with a broom instead of hosing them down.

Wait until the weather warms up and the soil is completely dry - deep into the root zone - to turn on automatic sprinklers.

THE BIGGEST PORTION OF OUR WATER WASTE OCCURS OUTDOORS.

Adjust your mowing height to at least 2.5 to 4 inches. Longer grass generally means roots that grow deeper.

Hand water brown spots to avoid over watering the rest of your lawn.

Trees, shrubs and lawn areas all have different watering requirements. Try to separate landscaping and plants into different irrigation zones.

Adjust your watering schedule according to the season

Water manually only when the plants need it during early and late season months.

Apply as little fertilizer as possible to reduce costly maintenance and overgrowth. Once in the spring and once in the fall is plenty.

Plunge a screwdriver into your lawn before watering. The easier the screwdriver goes into the ground, the more water is still in the soil.



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