

PLANT CARE GUIDE

How to upkeep your newly planted Perennials, Shrubs, and Trees.

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PERENNIALS

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- Water slowly! You want the water to go deep into the soil.
- Consider using a soaker hose. This allows for an even distribution of water
- Avoid getting water on the foliage to avoid disease.
- Wait to fertilize your newly planted flowers for at least 4 - 6 weeks.
- Soil should be moist, but never soggy. Soggy soil
 can lead to root decay and cause the plant to die.
- Do not underwater. Signs to look for are wilting, browning, and crisping of the leaves
- Monitor daily for the first weeks



SHRUBS

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- Water once to twice daily for 1-2 weeks after newly planted
- From 3-12 weeks, water every 2-3 times per week
- Water thoroughly once a week if it doesn't rain. Soak the soil around the shrub, using a nozzle to manage the flow. (We recommend getting a soaker house).
- Avoid pruning. Newly planted shrubs and bushes need to grow and become established. It is best to allow 2-3 years of growth first. (Certain shrubs like hydrengeas need dead flowers pruned yearly)
- After 2-3 years, Spring is a good time to prune your shrubs.
 Cut away the dead branches to promote new healthy growth
- Avoid fertilizing. Allow time for shrub to become established before encouraging new growth with fertilizer.
- Signs of overwatering = soggy root ball, wilted ot brown leaves, and root decay.



TREES & EVERGREENS

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- Water immediately! 1-2 times daily for the first few weeks.
- Water deeply! You want the water to soak deep into the soil. This will promote deep root growth.
- · Soil should be moist. Never soggy.
- Adjust watering schdule to weather conditions
- Don't underwater. Signs to look for are wilting, browning, and crisping of the leaves/needles
- Don't overwater! Yellowing of tree leaves is a sign that you are over watering.
- Stake as neccesary. If your tree has a hard time standing straight, it may need to be staked for the first year or two.
- It takes roughly two years for a tree to develop a root system.
- Signs of overwatering include; soggy rootball, root decay, wilted or brown leaves. (Most often seen from yard sprinklers mixed with hand water)