

# Watering Guidelines for a Healthy Beautiful Lawn

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## SOD

**Week 1** - Controller will be set with 3 watering start times per day for new sod (5 am/12pm/7pm). You will want to water 3 times per day for one week. Rotor zones will be set to run 40 minutes and mister zones will be set to run 20 minutes. Keep close watch on your sod. If you see any sod turning grey or looking dry, adjust your heads or call Aqua lawn.

**Week 2** – Set controller to only watering 1 time per day (5am). You do this by turning the dial to Start Times, incrementing start times 2 and 3 to OFF, leaving only 1 start time. Keep a close eye on your sod to make sure it does not get too dry during these times. You may need to do a few extra watering's if it is extremely hot or windy.

**Week 3** – Set controller to only water once a day Every Other Day. This can be set by turning dial to Water Days. Keep a close eye on grass during this time as well. Activate Rain Sensor.

**Remaining life of SOD - Suggested watering is 3 days per week at 4am. Rotor zones run 40 minutes and mister zones run 10 minutes.**

**\*\*This schedule is based off no rainfall and your sprinkler applying roughly 1" of water for the week. \*\***

## Hydroseed or Seed

**After Seed is put down**– Controller will be set with 4 watering start time per day (4am/11am/3pm/7pm). Rotors will be running 7 to 15 minutes and mister will be running 2 to 5 minutes. THESE ARE GENERAL SETTINGS, YOU MAY NEED TO MAKE SLIGHT RUN TIME ADJUSTMENTS. Areas of your yard may dry out quicker than others and need more or less time added to the zones that cover those areas.

Water like this until green grass is sprouting all over your yard. (Roughly 14 days) Turn the watering down to **2 times per day (4am/7pm)**.

**Rotors running 15 minutes and misters running 7 minutes.** You do this by turning the dial to Start Times and incrementing start time 3 and 4 to OFF, leaving only start time 1 and 2. Then adjust zone run times. You will want to water like this until grass length is 3-4", then you may cut back to the **suggested watering of 3 days a week at 4am. Rotors should be set at 40 minutes and misters at 10 minutes.** **\*\*This schedule is based off no rainfall and your sprinkler applying roughly 1" of water for the week. \*\***

**\*\* If your soil is cracking you are not watering enough. If you are seeing runoff, you are watering too much.\*\***

**\*\* Areas of your yard will absorb water differently based on slope/sun/wind/etc. and you will need to adjust run times accordingly. \*\***

**\*\*\* Apply STARTER fertilizer after the 30-day mark to ensure constant grass growth. \*\*\***

**\*\*\* Do not apply weed killer or normal fertilizer until 60 growing days have passed\*\*\***

**HEADS** - All Heads will be set to slightly over spray to compensate for wind. When your lawn is established, you can fine tune your heads so they are not over spraying.

**HEAD ADJUSTMENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR ROTORS AND MISTING VAN NOZZLES** - Videos are available on our website at:

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**CONTROL PANEL** - Manual is available under the Sprinkler Resources tab on our website at: <http://www.aqualawnandlandscape.com>

**\* \* \*IMPORTANT\* \* \***

**All Sprinkler Systems must be winterized or damage to system will occur! It is the customer's responsibility to ensure their system gets winterized! Also, any sump lines buried should be re-routed indoors during the winter months and it is solely the customer's responsibility to monitor sump lines closely. If not monitored, sump line failure and basement flooding may occur.**