



SPRING WATERING GUIDE

North Texas Lawn Watering Recommendations

Spring is when North Texas lawns wake up from winter dormancy. The watering habits established now will determine how strong your lawn is heading into the heat of summer. Too little water slows growth. Too much water creates shallow roots and disease pressure.

The goal in spring is simple: **deep, consistent watering that encourages strong root development.**

Recommended Spring Watering Schedule:

- **Standard Spray Sprinklers:** Water once per week using three short cycles 2:00 AM, 4:00 AM, and 6:00 AM - each should run 10 minutes per zone.
- **Rotary Head Sprinklers:** Water once per week using three short cycles, but double the run time 2:00 AM, 4:00 AM, and 6:00 AM - each should run 20 minutes per zone.
- **Shaded Areas:** Grass growing under trees requires significantly less water. Reduce watering in shaded zones by **50% or more.**
- **Drip Irrigation Systems:** Run **10 minutes per cycle, three days per week** to maintain consistent soil moisture. Because drip systems vary greatly in output, monitor beds and adjust timing if soil becomes too dry or overly saturated.

Pro Tip: Use the Seasonal Adjust Setting: Many modern sprinkler controllers include a Seasonal Adjust (sometimes called Water Budget) feature. An easy way to manage spring watering is to:

1. Program your controller with your normal summer watering schedule.
2. Then set the Seasonal Adjust to about 50% during the spring.

This automatically reduces watering time across all zones without needing to change each zone individually. As temperatures increase later in the season, you can gradually increase the Seasonal Adjust percentage.

Why This Schedule Works for North Texas

North Texas soils contain heavy clay. Clay absorbs water slowly but holds it well once saturated. This watering method:

- Improves deep water penetration
- Encourages stronger root systems
- Reduces runoff and wasted water
- Minimizes evaporation by watering before sunrise

The result is a lawn that becomes more resilient to drought and summer heat.

Year-Round Watering: The Foundation of Lawn Health

Consistent watering throughout the year is one of the most important factors in lawn health.

Seasonal adjustments help your lawn:

- Recover from winter dormancy
- Develop deeper roots
- Resist drought stress in summer
- Maintain density and color

If you ever have questions about watering, your irrigation system, or lawn health, just call or text us.



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