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WATERING INSTRUCTIONS

TREES AND SHRUBS

Plants require about 1 inch of water every 10 days for optimum growth. Usually Mother Nature is good to plants during the spring & fall seasons. However newly installed plants as well as those recently planted (up to 1-2 years), need supplemental watering to be sure enough moisture is available due to their lack of root spread. In the spring or fall, water them approximately once a week, unless you have an all-day rain. Container grown plants require more frequent watering for the first several weeks since their growing medium is porous & the water leaches readily. Conversely those plants grown as B&B (balled & burlaped), have a soil ball, which stays moist longer.

For summer planted material, you will often need to water 2-3 times per week based on temperature, humidity, sun exposure etc. The best idea to determine moisture need is to "feel" into the root zone area with your finger. You should do this with the various types of plants you've installed. Remember, plants are living things. They require oxygen to their roots & they can be injured or killed if roots are too wet too long.

NOTE: Please remove all tree staking and/or guying apparatus off trees approximately 1 year from installation date. Also remove any tree wrap after the first winter.

GROUNDCOVERS

Small rooted cutting or peat pots of groundcover type plants dry out quickly. One method of watering is to place a soaker hose in the bed so that it can spray all the plants. Turn the soaker on for about 1/2 hour every morning or evening for the first week. Then, after the peat moss incorporated in the bed has been saturated, use your own judgment as to how often you water, perhaps every 3-4 days. Eventually once every 10 days will be satisfactory.

Larger type of groundcover-type plants such as those grown in one gallon containers should be watered as a regular container plant. Refer to the above description under TREES AND SHRUBS.

