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Sprinkler Startup or Audit

How To Water A Colorado Lawn! The 1,2,3,2,1 Technique

Step 1: What is the best time of day to water your lawn?

Start Time: Typically 3:00 AM but you can start it earlier if there are a lot of zones. Start the last zone so it finishes no later than 6:00 AM.

Step 2: How many minutes should each zone water?

Sprinkler Zone Time Charts			
Sprinkler Head Style	South Facing Full Sun	Normal Partial Sun	North Facing Full Shade
Pop Ups	18 - 20 Min	12 - 15 Min	8 - 10 Min
Rotary /Impact	50- 55 Min	40 - 50 Min	30 - 40 Min
Pinwheel Nozzles	40-45 Min	30-35 Min	20-25 Min
Drip Systems	60 Min – If 100% Drip System	60 Min – If 100% Drip System	60 Min – If 100% Drip System
Micromist Systems	45 Min	35 Min	25 Min
Total Water Output	0.6 - 0.7 Inches	0.5 – 0.6 Inches	0.4 – 0.5 Inches

Step 3: How many days per week should you water the lawn

Early Spring - Water 1 Day Per Week (Sprinkler Startup - Middle of May)

•When daytime high temperatures average below 70°F water one day per week. This is typically between April to early May but every year is different. (I.e. Water every Monday)

Spring - Water 2 Days Per Week (Middle of May - Middle of June)

•When daytime high temperatures average between 70°F and 85°F water two days a week. This is typically between the middle of May through early June. (I.e. Water every Monday and Friday)

Summer - Water 3 Days Per Week (Middle of June - Middle of August)

•When daytime high temperatures average above 85°F water no more than 3 days per week. This is typically is between mid or late June through mid or late August. (I.e. Water every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday)

Fall - Water 2 Days Per Week (Middle of August- Middle of September)

•When daytime high temperatures average between 70°F and 85°F water two days a week This is typically between the middle of August through the middle of September. (I.e. Water every Monday and Friday)

Late Fall - Water 1 Day Per Week (Middle of September - Sprinkler Blowout)

•When daytime high temperatures average below 70°F water one day per week. This is typically between the middle of September until the system is winterized. (I.e. Water ever Monday)