

To look around Utah, most would never guess that it is actually the second-driest state in the nation — averaging only 13 inches of water each year. Working together and practicing easy conservation techniques, such as water-wise land-scaping, is a huge step toward ensuring we have enough water for now and into the future.

MONTHLY WATERING GUIDE

These watering schedules are based on average conditions. If you already water less and are satisfied with how your lawn looks, don't increase your watering time. Instead, try decreasing your time. Turn down the minutes until you begin to see stress on your lawn, then turn it back up a bit and leave it. As you fine-tune your schedule you will save even more water and money. If the recommended watering schedule does not seem to be enough water for your lawn, please check your system for inefficiencies and maintenance issues before increasing your run times. Watering a whole lawn to green-up just a few brown spots is an inefficient use of water.

Mar. No irrigation recommended

Apr. No irrigation recommended

May 21 min. every 4 days

June 21 min. every 3 days

July 21 min. every 3 days

Aug. 21 min. every 3 days

Sep. 21 min. every 6 days

Oct. 21 min. every 10 days

Nov. No irrigation recommended

Dec. No irrigation recommended

ADDITIONAL WATER-SAVING TIPS

Cycle Your Irrigation

Cycle your watering schedule by breaking your total watering time into two or three installments, allowing an hour between waterings to let the water soak in. The more clay in your soil means more frequent and shorter cycles for your lawn.

Water By Zone

If your lawn and plants are watered by different sprinkler zones, you will be able to save water by watering them appropriately. Shrubs, flowers and other decorative plants require 25 to 50 percent less water than lawn. If possible, water these zones a few minutes longer than the lawn but half as frequently.

It is recommended to apply 1/2 inch per irrigation.

Watering correctly, helps avoid problems with pests, disease, and waste, saving you time and money. We estimate that Utah could save more than 20 billion gallons of water if everyone were to water according to the guide.



More Information

To locate some water-wise landscape examples near you, and to find out more ways you can help Slow The Flow, visit www.conservewater.utah.gov.

Remember, if we each save a little, we'll all save a lot.