

# YOUR GUIDE TO WATERING SHRUBS

## HOW MUCH WATER DOES YOUR PLANT NEED?

Shrub diameter	1'	2'	3'	4'	5'	6'
Gallons of water needed	1	4	8	12	17	20



Ground covers need about half as much water as a shrub of the same diameter

## DETERMINE YOUR DRIP SYSTEM FLOW RATE



Some drip emitters are stamped with a flow rate.  
The color of the emitter does not indicate the flow rate.

## CALCULATE YOUR RUN TIME



$$\text{GALLONS NEEDED (GAL)} \div \text{FLOW RATE (GPH)} = \text{RUN TIME (HRS)}$$

- If you have multiple emitters, add all the flow rates together
- If you have different size shrubs, start with the average run time and adjust as needed

## DON'T SET IT AND FORGET IT

Adjust your schedule and follow this frequency (days between watering)

TYPE OF PLANT	WATERING NEEDS	WATERING FREQUENCY - DAYS BETWEEN WATERINGS				WATERING DEPTH
		SPRING Mar - May	SUMMER May - Oct	FALL Oct - Dec	WINTER Dec - Mar	
Shrubs	Desert Adapted	14 - 30 days	7 - 21 days	14 - 30 days	30 - 45 days	18" - 24"
	High Water Use	7 - 10 days	5 - 7 days	7 - 10 days	10 - 14 days	18" - 24"
Groundcovers & Vines	Desert Adapted	14 - 30 days	7 - 21 days	14 - 30 days	21 - 45 days	8" - 12"
	High Water Use	7 - 10 days	2 - 5 days	7 - 10 days	10 - 14 days	8" - 12"
Cacti & Succulents	n/a	21 - 45 days	14 - 30 days	21 - 45 days	If Needed	8" - 12"

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