



## WATERING DURATION & FREQUENCIES

### 20 seconds

2 and 3 Gallon Potted  
OR  
15-21" Burlap Shrubs

### 30 seconds

5 and 6 Gallon Potted  
OR  
24-30" Burlap Shrubs

### 30-45 seconds

7 & 10 Gallon Potted  
OR  
36-48" Burlap Shrubs

# Newly Planted SHRUB WATERING GUIDE

## IMPORTANT TIPS

- 1 Make sure plants are not overly dry/wilting before planting them.
- 2 Water immediately after planting, and then begin the correct watering frequency.
- 3 Use a garden wand with the shower setting and water all plants at the base, not on the leaves or stems.
- 4 Never water your shrubs with lawn sprinklers, as they do not water them properly.

**During periods of heavy rain (2" or more), make sure to let plants dry out before resuming hand watering. Remember that in summer, soil moisture can dry up quicker than in the spring, even after a heavy rain - so check on your plants every other day.**

## PLANTING MONTHS

Spring

APRIL and MAY

- Follow the weekly watering schedule for the current year based on the monthly descriptions

Summer

JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

- Resume watering (once per week) the following summer. Continue for at least 2 consecutive summers to prevent summer drought stress

Fall

SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER

### GROUP 1

Chokeberry • Dogwood • Ninebark • Sweetspire • Willow

Hydrangea (Coneflower-type: Limelight, Quickfire, Little Lime, Little Quickfire, Vanilla Strawberry, etc.)

Viburnum (Arrowwood-Autumn Jazz, Chicago Lustre, Blue Muffin, etc.)

#### Spring-Planted

Every day for the 1st week. Then every other day for the 2nd & 3rd week. Then every third day for the 4th & 5th week. Then every fourth day for the 6th & 7th week. Then once every 7 days in October (spring-planted), & once every 10 days through November (summer-planted).

#### Summer-Planted

#### Fall-Planted

Every other day for 1st week. Then every third day for 2 weeks. Then once every 7 days through October.

### GROUP 2

Arborvitae • Barberry • Boxwoods • Burning Bush • Cotoneaster • Deutzia

Elderberry • Euonymus • Forsythia • Harry Lauder's Walking Stick • Weigela

Hydrangea (Big Leaf type: Annabelle, Endless Summer Series, etc.) • Yews

#### Spring-Planted

Every other day for the 1st week. Then every third day through September. Then once every 7 days through October.

#### Summer-Planted

Every other day for 1st week. Then every third day for the 2nd, 3rd & 4th week. Then every fifth day through September. And then once every 7 days through October.

#### Fall-Planted

Every other day for 1st week. Then every third day for 2 weeks. Then every fifth day for 2 more weeks. Then once every 7 days through October.

### GROUP 3

Lilac • Rose of Sharon • Potentilla • Sandcherry • Smokebush • Sumac

Viburnum (Fragrant-Judd, Korean Spice, Sugar n Spice, Mohawk, Mohican, etc.)

**Overwatering is the cause of 90-95% of shrub deaths in this group.**

#### Spring-Planted

Every third day for the first 2 weeks. Then every 4th day through September. Then once every 7 days through October.

#### Summer-Planted

Every other day for the 1st week. Then every third day for the next 3 weeks. Then every fourth day for the next 3 weeks. Then every 5th day through September. Then once every 7 days through October.

#### Fall-Planted

Every third day for the first 2 weeks. Then every 5th day for the next 2 weeks. Then once every 7 days through October.

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**DISCLAIMER:** This guide will ensure the success of your plantings, but it is not a guarantee, as factors out of anyone's control can create problems following installation.



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