

New Sod Watering Tips



Tip 1: Start watering right away

After installation, it is crucial to start watering right away to keep the soil beneath and the sod itself moist.

Tip 2: Set up a system for your watering

To successfully water your new sod, make sure you have the correct tools like a hose with a sprinkler attachment or setting up your sprinkler system for a new watering schedule. Water the whole lawn and don't forget the edges.

Tip 3: Water daily

For the first 2 weeks, you should water daily using smaller amounts of water. Water for 15-20 minutes, 3-4 times a day.

Tip 4: Find a time that works best for you to water

It is recommended that you water early in the morning or late in the afternoon. These times reduce evaporation and the risk of disease from water sitting on the grass blades.

Tip 5: Testing roots and soil

To test your roots, firmly grab the grass with both hands and lift vertically. If there is good root development, you should feel resistance when lifting. To test your soil, dig a small hole in the lawn and check the moisture level. If the soil is moist, you can wait a day or two before watering again.

Tip 6: Gradually reduce watering

After 2 weeks, you can slowly reduce your watering to once a day for 30 minutes.

Tip 7: Adjust your watering to weather conditions

Depending on the weather in your area your lawn may need to be watered more or less. Sod cannot survive in drought-like conditions so make sure to water more if you are experiencing a drought. If you've had extensive amounts of rain, make sure to reduce your watering to reduce the risk of oversaturating your soil.