

HEALTHY

LAWN

HAPPY SUMMER!

Each of us makes a big impact in C-O-MM Water District

Reduce Lawn Watering

Eliminating or reducing summer lawn watering makes a big difference. C-O-MM Water District households that water their lawns in the summer use an average of 1,900 gallons per week. That's like running your shower for 12 hours!

The fact is, *C-O-MM Water District lawns don't need much water to stay healthy.* Overwatering your lawn can cause shallow roots and make it susceptible to pests, disease, and drought.

LAWN WATERING



1,900 Gallons per week

SHOWERING



12 Hours!

Water Only With Rain

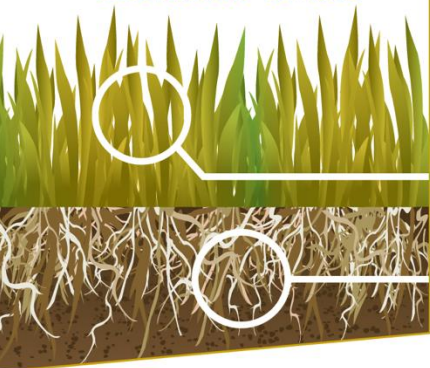
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Water Wisely

In most years, we get enough rain to maintain a healthy summer lawn. *Healthy grass can go dormant (turn golden) during dry periods but it is not dead* and will green up with the return of rain. Going

dormant creates more drought resistance and deeper roots, making a healthier, less sensitive lawn.

Dormant Grass



HEALTHY GRASS

DEEPER ROOTS

Half of C-O-MM Water District homes already let their lawn go dormant each summer. *Join them by letting your lawn be healthy and natural while saving water, money, and time.*

A healthy established lawn will likely not need irrigation. However, if you do water your lawn, follow the tips below to water wisely.

- 1 Water before 9am or after 5pm to avoid evaporation.
- 2 Water infrequently and deeply to encourage deep roots.
- 3 Keep grass long to stay healthy (at least 2.5 to 3 inches).
- 4 Leave grass clippings on your lawn to keep soil moist.
- 5 Use a WaterSense-labeled controller on automatic irrigation systems.
- 6 Tell your lawn care crew to follow these guidelines.



Save water for your community and the Environment by watering your lawn wisely or not at all.

Please visit this website for more information: www.epa.gov/watersense/outdoors