

COLORADO WATER
LIVE LIKE YOU LOVE IT

HOW TO WATER YOUR YARD IN COLORADO

WHEN IT COMES TO WATERING YOUR YARD, DO YOU JUST SET YOUR SPRINKLERS AND FORGET THEM? IN AN ARID STATE LIKE COLORADO, IT'S IMPORTANT TO WATER YOUR YARD THE RIGHT WAY TO CONSERVE OUR PRECIOUS WATER RESOURCES AND PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT. HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP...

Is rain forecasted?

Turn off your sprinklers or install a rain sensor. Let Mother Nature do the watering for you.

Water before dawn or after dusk to...
reduce water loss from wind and evaporation.

Check utility website for water use guidelines and rules.

Check sprinklers monthly for leaks and overspray.

Have brown or yellow spots?

Water using the "cycle & soak" method.

Break up your total watering time into three shorter intervals spaced 45-60 minutes apart.

Adjust misdirected sprinkler heads and replace broken sprinklers immediately.

Hand-water them rather than overwatering the rest of your landscape.

Live like you love Colorado water by doing your part to save water outdoors!

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BY THE NUMBERS

WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO WATER YOUR YARD EFFICIENTLY IN COLORADO?

1. PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

When we overwater our yard, harmful pollutants like pesticides and pet waste enter local creeks.



2. COLORADO IS A HEADWATERS STATE.

We share our water supply with 18 other states, so we need to use our water efficiently.



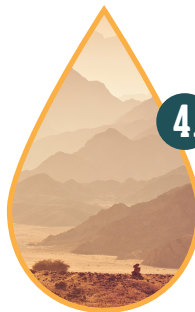
3. OUR POPULATION IS GROWING.

Colorado's population has increased by 15% in the last decade, but our water supplies remain the same [or less].



4. OUR CLIMATE IS CHANGING.

Warmer temperatures and decreased snow/rainfall mean less water to fill our reservoirs.



5. COLORADO HAS MANY WATER NEEDS.

In addition to urban water use, agriculture, recreation and the environment are also top priority water uses in Colorado.



1%

Just 1% of the water on earth is available for human consumption.



Four major rivers originate in Colorado (Colorado, Platte, Arkansas and Rio Grande), but this water is shared with other states.



Colorado's population is expected to nearly double by 2050- with no increase in water supply.



Just 20% of our precipitation falls on the eastern slope of Colorado, but 80% of the population and irrigation needs are here.



Around 50% of home water usage goes toward watering landscape.



The Colorado Water Plan predicts that by 2050, the state could face a supply gap of over 500,000 acre-feet of water.

Visit lovecoloradowater.org for more water-savings resources. We also encourage you to visit your local water provider's website for additional information and possible incentives!



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