

**ARROYO GRANDE SUGGESTED IRRIGATION SCHEDULE** *(See back side for notes)*



**Program A**  
Lawns & Grasses

**Program B**  
Established Trees & Shrubs

**Program C**  
Annuals & New Plants

**Pop-up Fixed  
Spray**

**Pop-up  
Rotational**

**Fixed Spray  
(Convert to drip)**

**Drip  
(For 2 gal/hr  
emitters)**

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**Jan – Feb**

Turn System Off

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**March**

10 min/wk (or .25")

Check the  
manufacturer  
specifications  
or  
Consult the Public  
Works Dept. at  
(805) 473-5440

10 min/wk

15 min/wk

15 min/wk

23 min/wk

**April**

30 min/wk (or .75")

15 min/wk

23 min/wk

20 min/wk

30 min/wk

**May**

45 min/wk (or 1")

30 min/wk

45 min/wk

30 min/wk

45 min/wk

**June 1 – Aug 31**

60 min/wk (or 1.5")

40 min/wk

60 min/wk

40 min/wk

60 min/wk

**September**

45 min/wk (or 1")

30 min/wk

45 min/wk

30 min/wk

45 min/wk

**October**

30 min/wk (or .75")

25 min/wk

38 min/wk

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**Mid Nov - Dec**

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**WATER SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!**

1. This schedule is based on local (City of Arroyo Grande) conditions. Unusually moist or dry conditions may require that irrigation differ from this schedule. Two or three inches (2"-3") of surface mulch is recommended in drip irrigated areas. If you use surface mulch, your schedule may be cut in half. Surface mulch is not recommended in sprinkler irrigated areas as the mulch will intercept sprinkler irrigation, keeping it from the soil.
2. System should be turned off during the rainy/cool season. Most automatic sprinklers have an "off" or "rain/off" switch, which will de-activate the controller without losing its programming.
3. During the transitional months (starting in September) which normally have cooler evenings, irrigation should be reduced from summer irrigation schedules.
4. The irrigation schedule durations are for the total minutes to irrigate per week, based on the average irrigation system. During warmer weather, this weekly total may be divided up into three or four watering days. The more accurate alternative is the inches of application per week. You can accurately adjust your schedule by measuring the inches of water applied per minute and then running the system only long enough to achieve the desired weekly application.
5. Fixed spray sprinklers are sprinklers that do not rotate. Rotating sprinklers may have a wide difference in application rates due to design. Please check with manufacturer specifications to determine the application rate.