

YOUNG TREE WATERING GUIDE

A common misconception is that if a tree is planted in a lawn, there is no need to deep water. This is incorrect! Sprinklers only leave water on the surface of the ground, and don't encourage deep root growth. Deep watering is critical to a tree's long term success.

So when do I water? For the first three years, young trees need slow, deep watering if there is no rain. Water two to three times per month depending on how hot and dry it is outside.

How much do I water? On average, your tree will need 15 gallons per week.

How do I water?

Option 1: Water at the base of the tree with a slow soak. Set the hose on a slow trickle and leave for about 2 hours.

Option 2: Drill a small hole at the bottom of a 5-gallon bucket, fill the water and let it drain into the soil. Repeat 3 times.

Option 3: Purchase a watering bag. And set it up on the trunk of the tree. These watering bags have small holes at the bottom and drain over 5-9 hours.

