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For tree watering procedures, see:

Keeping Your Trees Healthy

<http://www.evergreen.ca/docs/res/Planting-Trees-4-Keeping-Healthy.pdf>

The Bucket Method: Watering Guidelines for Newly Planted Trees

<http://www.evergreen.ca/docs/res/Planting-Trees-7-Bucket.pdf>



Plants 101: Watering

Watering Requirements

Seedlings

- Provide frequent and gentle watering to germinate seeds. Once the sprouts emerge, water more deeply, but less often. Remember, you can drown your seedlings.
- Allow the soil to just barely dry out once seedlings are established, before the next slow, deep watering.

Established plants

Perennials, annuals, bulbs, shrubs

- Native species may not require as much watering as non-native plants.
- The trick for native species is to match plants with the right soil conditions. Choose species that can grow well in your soil.

Watering procedures

- Start to water in the spring as soon as the soil begins to dry out and temperatures rise.
- Water in the early morning when the sun is not at its peak. This will minimize water loss due to evaporation. Watering during midday can burn your plants.
- If there is solid heavy rain for four or more hours during the week, you will not need to water at all.
- Water the soil with a watering can or soaker hose that minimizes water loss.
- Create a watering schedule to make sure all planted areas are watered.

Other resources for plant care:

Mulch is Magic

<http://www.evergreen.ca/docs/res/Planting-Trees-6-Mulch.pdf>

Compost and Mulch, in Design Ideas for the Outdoor Classroom

<http://www.evergreen.ca/docs/res/Design-Ideas-2-Compost-Mulch.pdf>