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5 Things to Know about California's Drought



It's one of the worst in California's history



Storage levels are dropping, preserve our reserves



Conservation is key in hot summer and fall



Limiting outdoor water use equals big savings



Do your part, go to bewaterwise.com[®] for water-saving tips and valuable rebates



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WATER SAVING TIPS

Southern Californians have done a good job conserving water. But the multi-year drought has reduced our water reserve levels. More saving must be done to make sure there is water for the future. Be sure to check with your local water agency to find out about mandatory requirements that may be in place where you live.

Here are some helpful things you can do to save water:

Outdoor

- Water your yard early in the morning or later in the evening to reduce evaporation. Save up to 25 gallons a day.
- Keep mulch around plants to reduce evaporation and save hundreds of gallons a year.
- Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways, sidewalks and patios. You'll save 150 gallons a week.
- Fix sprinkler leaks, overspray and broken sprinkler heads. You'll save 500 gallons a month.
- Replace part of your lawn with California Friendly[®] plants and save thousands of gallons a month.

Indoor

- Turn off the water when you brush your teeth and shorten your showers to 5 minutes. Save up to 25 gallons a day.
- Fix leaking faucets and running toilets. Save 20 gallons a day.
- Wash only full loads of laundry and save between 15 and 50 gallons each time.
- Buy water-saving devices like high-efficiency toilets and clothes washers. These are eligible for rebates! Check bewaterwise.com?
- Talk to your family and friends about saving water. If everyone does a little, we save a lot.





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COMMERCIAL REBATE PROGRAM



WHY

California is facing prolonged dry conditions. Gov. Jerry Brown has declared a statewide drought and asked Californians to lower their water use by 20 percent. Your help is needed. Metropolitan has expanded its SoCal Water\$mart rebate and incentive programs to make saving water more affordable for commercial customers.

WHO

Commercial, industrial and institutional customers within Metropolitan's 5,200-square-mile, six-county service area are eligible for rebates on indoor and outdoor water-saving devices. Both the water service and installation address must be located within Metropolitan's service area.

Contractors who meet specific business requirements can apply to participate in Metropolitan's Contractor Direct Rebate Program. The SoCal Water\$mart Program provides screened and approved contractors with the ability to receive rebate payments directly for installations of eligible products. Contractor requirements and online enrollment information is at socalwatersmart.com under the Commercial Rebate Program option.





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More Eligibility Information

- You must be a commercial, industrial or institutional water customer with a service and installation address located within Metropolitan's service area. Common areas in townhome, condominium, mobile home and apartment complexes are considered commercial customers, as well as landscape managed by a homeowners association.
- Refer to Metropolitan's list of qualified products for rebate eligibility.
- Facilities using recycled water may not qualify. Call 888.376.3314 to check eligibility.
- A reservation must be submitted online at socalwatersmart.com and approved prior to the purchase and installation of the device(s).
- Rebate amounts vary by participating water agency and are subject to change without notice.
- Metropolitan reserves the right to verify and inspect installation of rebated devices.
- Refer to Program Terms & Conditions at socalwatersmart.com for detailed eligibility terms and guidelines.

WHAT Products Eligible For Rebates

| Measure | Base Rebate |
|--|--|
| Plumbing Fixtures | |
| High-Efficiency Toilets (Multi-Family) | \$145/Toilet - 1.06 gallons per flush or less \$100/Toilet - 1.28 gallons per flush or less |
| High-Efficiency Toilets (Flushometer/Tank) | \$100 |
| Ultra-Low and Zero-Water Urinals | \$200 |
| Plumbing Flow Control Valves | \$5/Valve (minimum of 10) |
| Landscaping Equipment | |
| Smart Irrigation Controllers/ Central Computer Irrigation Controllers | \$35/Station |
| Soil Moisture Sensor Systems | \$35/Irrigation controller station |
| Rotating Nozzles for Pop-up Spray Heads | \$4/Nozzle (minimum of 15) |
| Large Rotary Nozzles | \$13/Set (minimum of 8 sets) |
| In-Stem Flow Regulators | \$1/Regulator (minimum of 25) |
| Turf Removal | |
| Removal of Irrigated Turf | \$2/square foot of irrigated turf removed and replaced with drought - tolerant plants or other approved landscape options |
| Food Equipment | |
| Connectionless Food Steamers | \$485/Compartment |
| Air-Cooled Ice Machines | \$1,000 |
| HVAC Equipment | |
| Cooling Tower Conductivity Controllers | \$625 |
| Cooling Tower pH Controllers | \$1,750 |
| Medical and Dental Equipment | |
| Laminar Flow Restrictors | \$10/Restrictor (minimum of 10) |
| Dry Vacuum Pumps | \$125/0.5HP (up to 2HP max) |

SoCal Water\$mart is a region-wide program brought to you by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Local water agencies may offer other incentive program opportunities. Rebates will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted.





THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA P.O. Box 54153 Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153 mwdh2o.com



HOW

1. Create an online account at socalwatersmart.com.

2. Submit an online rebate reservation. Funding is limited and submitting a rebate reservation does not guarantee you will receive a rebate. Rebates will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted.

3. Receive a reservation number.

4. Purchase and install the qualified device within 60 days of making the reservation.

5. Submit the final rebate application online. Be sure to submit a copy of the water bill for the property where the device is installed as well as the invoice for the device(s) that lists manufacturer name, model numbers, and price.

WHERE

Looking for more information? Go to socalwatersmart.com or call 888.376.3314.



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Choosing **rotating** sprinkler nozzles for your landscape





THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Q & A about rotating sprinkler nozzles:



Replace: This conventional fan spray no

What are rotating sprinkler nozzles?

The latest innovation in sprinkler technology are nozzles that turn a standard pop-up spray head into a precision device that can save water in your landscape. In addition, water jetting from these nozzles is more resistant to wind, less likely to mist, and significantly reduces run-off onto streets and sidewalks.

How do they work?

These nozzles shoot multi-trajectory, rotating streams that apply water more slowly and uniformly than conventional sprays and heads —especially when adjusted for specific site conditions. Rotating nozzles use less water than traditional spray heads because they operate with lower precipitation rates and have greater distribution uniformity. In many cases, you can update your existing sprinkler heads with new rotary nozzles without having to replace the entire sprinkler body. Also, rotating nozzles have greater coverage.

How much does it cost?

About \$6 per nozzle. Depending on where you live, you may be eligible for a rebate from your local Southern California water agency on a portion of the cost.





How much water will I save?

Actual water savings will vary depending on local conditions and other factors. On average, replacing one conventional fan spray nozzle with a rotating nozzle could save up to 1,300 gallons a year.

Where can I find them?

Precision rotating sprinkler nozzles can be found at most irrigation supply stores and home and garden stores. Log on to **bewaterwise.com** to find a listing of stores and manufacturers.

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

700 N. Alameda Los Angeles, CA 90012 (800) CALL MWD **mwdh2o.com**

Inefficient or poorly maintained sprinklers, like those shown below, waste water and increase pollution by sending water, fertilizer and grime into the stormwater system, and then waterways and oceans.





The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

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The Family of Southern California Water Agencies

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Sprinkler precipitation rates - the key to controlling irrigation runoff

Spray nozzles have a high precipitation rate that frequently results in irrigation runoff. The precipitation rate will vary with pressure and spacing. At 30 psi and spaced in a square pattern the precipitation rate is 1.58" per hour. The triangular pattern has slightly higher precipitation rates due to the tighter row spacing of 13 ft. at 1.83"

| 30° Traje | ctory | | | • | |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| Nozzle | Pressure psi | Radius ft. | Flow GPM | Precip In/h | Precip In/h |
| 15F | 15 | 11 | 2.60 | 2.07 | 2.39 |
| | 20 | 12 | 3.00 | 2.01 | 2.32 |
| | 25 | 14 | 3.30 | 1.62 | 1.87 |
| | 30 | 15 | 3.70 | 1.58 | 1.83 |
| 15H | 15 | 11 | 1.30 | 2.07 | 2.39 |
| | 20 | 12 | 1.50 | 2.01 | 2.32 |
| | 25 | 14 | 1.65 | 1.62 | 1.87 |
| | 30 | 15 | 1.85 | 1.58 | 1.83 |



Verify the working water pressure at the spray nozzle to be a minimum of 30 psi. In the case of the 15 Series nozzle, any pressure less than 30 psi requires a closer spacing than 15 ft. If the sprinklers are operating at 20 - 25 psi and spaced at 15 ft there will be serious coverage (uniformity) problems. Measure water pressure as the circuit operates at the first and last sprinkler on the circuit. Verify spacing to be no greater than the radius. Sprinklers should be spaced in a square or triangular pattern with consistent spacing between heads.



Test working water pressure at the first and last sprinkler with a pressure tee and gauge.



Verify spacing between heads with a tape measure. At 30 psi spray heads should be spaced at no greater than their series, i.e 15 series at 15 ft, 12 series at 12 ft, etc.

Rotor sprinklers rotate a single or multiple streams to achieve coverage. In general, the end of the stream from one sprinkler should hit right at the base of the adjacent sprinkler. The pressure requirement at the nozzle is dependent on the spacing and the nozzle installed in the sprinkler. Performance charts indicate a radius(spacing interval) that can be achieved with a particular nozzle at varying pressures. Generally, these sprinklers have a higher pressure requirement than spray nozzles. As a consequence low nozzle pressure is a common problem. Pressure, along with spacing must be verified in the field. Precipitation rate data may only be relied upon when pressure, nozzle, and spacing agree with nozzle performance data. These sprinklers have lower precipitation rates than sprays and therefore can be run for longer periods before runoff occurs.

| PGP | PGP Red Standard Nozzle | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Perfo | Performance Data | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nozzle | Pressure PSI | Radius ft. | Flow GPM | Precip | o in/hr ▲ | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 30 | 28' | 0.5 | 0.12 | 0.14 | | | | | | | | |
| | 40 | 29' | 0.6 | 0.14 | 0.16 | | | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 29' | 0.7 | 0.16 | 0.19 | | | | | | | | |
| | 60 | 30' | 0.8 | 0.17 | 0.20 | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 30 | 29' | 0.7 | 0.16 | 0.19 | | | | | | | | |
| | 40 | 30' | 0.8 | 0.17 | 0.20 | | | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 30' | 0.9 | 0.19 | 0.22 | | | | | | | | |
| | 60 | 31' | 1.0 | 0.20 | 0.23 | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 30 | 30' | 0.9 | 0.19 | 0.22 | | | | | | | | |
| | 40 | 31' | 1.0 | 0.20 | 0.23 | | | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 31' | 1.2 | 0.24 | 0.28 | | | | | | | | |
| | 60 | 32' | 1.3 | 0.24 | 0.28 | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 30 | 32' | 1.2 | 0.23 | 0.26 | | | | | | | | |
| | 40 | 33' | 1.4 | 0.25 | 0.29 | | | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 34' | 1.6 | 0.27 | 0.31 | | | | | | | | |
| | 60 | 34' | 1.8 | 0.30 | 0.35 | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 30 | 34' | 1.6 | 0.27 | 0.31 | | | | | | | | |
| | 40 | 36' | 1.8 | 0.27 | 0.31 | | | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 38' | 2.0 | 0.27 | 0.31 | | | | | | | | |
| | 60 | 38' | 2.2 | 0.29 | 0.34 | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 30 | 34 | 2.0 | 0.33 | 0.38 | | | | | | | | |
| | 40 | 36' | 2.4 | 0.36 | 0.41 | | | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 38' | 2.7 | 0.36 | 0.42 | | | | | | | | |
| | 60 | 38' | 2.9 | 0.39 | 0.45 | | | | | | | | |

These charts represent precipitation rates at half circle or 180 degree setting. For full circle operation divide the chart values by 2!





#5 noz. - 2.0 gpm @ 50 psi at 360 deg precipitation rate = 0.135" / hr



#5 noz - 2.0 gpm @50 psi at 180 deg (half circle) precipitation rate = 0.27" / hr.



The pitot tube and pressure gauge are used to measure nozzle pressure which is evaluated against nozzle performance charts

| Suggested maximum run times on clay soil before runoff occurs (on flat surfaces) infiltration rate - 0.10" / hr | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------|----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| spray | spray | spray | rotors | rotors | rotors | rotors | rotor | | | | |
| 1.6" / hr | 1.8" / hr | 2" / hr | 0.25"/hr | 0.35" / hr | 0.45"/hr | 0.55"/hr | 0.65"/hr | | | | |
| 4 min | 4 min | 4 min | 24 min | 17 min | 13 min | 11 min | 9 min | | | | |
| Suggested | Suggested maximum run times on clay loam soil before runoff occurs | | | | | | | | | | |
| (on flat su | (on flat surfaces) | | | | | | | | | | |
| infiltratio | infiltration rate - 0.16" / hr | | | | | | | | | | |
| spray | spray | spray | rotors | rotors | rotors | rotors | rotor | | | | |
| 1.6" / hr | 1.8" / hr | 2" / hr | 0.25"/hr | 0.35" / hr | 0.45"/hr | 0.55"/hr | 0.65"/hr | | | | |
| 6 min | 5 min | 4 min | 38 min | 27 min | 21 min | 17 min | 14 min | | | | |

Low head drainage occurs in lateral sprinkler piping after the irrigation valve has shut down. When heavy clay soils are being irrigated, multiple cycles (usually 6-8) must occur every day that irrigation takes place. This necessary cycling process introduces the problem of low head drainage. This problem may be resolved with addition of check valves which may be retrofitted into the base of spray head bodies.



It is not unusual to find irrigation valves with spray and rotor type sprinklers plumbed together. This is never acceptable and should be corrected because of the different precipitation rates of the two types!





While low pressure at spray nozzles is frequently encountered, it is not unusual to find spray systems with excessive pressure. When pressure exceeds 45 psi, the sprinkler body should have a pressure regulating feature. This feature, like the anti-drain check valve, may be retrofitted into an existing spray body without digging up the sprinkler When sprinkler inlet pressures exceed 75 psi a regulator must be installed at the valve or backflow prevention device location.







Spray heads operating at 90 psi. This problem was corrected with the addition of a regulator feature on the valve.





Internal pressure regulating device is designed for inlet pressures between 45 and 75 psi

Same circuit operating at 30 psi!

Managing the Irrigation Controller in a Drought

The amount of irrigation water applied to the landscape varies with the type of plant material and the precipitation rate of the sprinklers. The environmental factors that drive plant water use are temperature, wind, solar radiation, humidity, and ground temperature and collectively they generate a number known as Evapotranspiration (ET). These factors are nearly impossible for the landscape manager to evaluate in the field. The State of California manages a network of computerized weather stations linked to a free website in a program known as CIMIS (California Irrigation Management Information System). There are nearly 200 of these stations throughout the state. They provide the landscape manager with a number that represents the inches of water plants generally need in a month, week, or day. The number available from the local weather station. In these instances tables are available providing monthly averages in the Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (WELO) which is also available on line.

Average ETo Values by Station

| Stn Id | Stn Name | CIMIS Region | Jan (in) | Feb (in) | Mar (in) | Apr (in) | May (in) | Jui (in | Jul (in) | Aug (in) | Sep (in) | Oct (in) | Nov (in) | Dec (in) |
|--------|----------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 159 | Monrovia | LAB | 2.10 | 2.41 | 3.72 | 4.31 | 5.24 | 5.7 | 6.61 | 6.26 | 4.86 | 3.39 | 2.39 | 1.93 |



http://wwwcimis.water.ca.gov/



http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/



Every plant has a different water requirement relative to ET_0 based upon the landscape coefficient or K_L . The primary factor that drives that landscape coefficient is the species factor. Our biggest concern in the drought is the water requirement for turfgrass as it consumes the bulk of the landscape water. The plant water requirement ET_L is obtained for any period by multiplying the $ET_0 \times K_L$. In a traditional year cool season turfgrass such as fescue, Kentucky Bluegrass, or rye have a species factor of 70 percent or 0.70. In a drought we reduce this species factor and in turn the landscape coefficient (K_L) to 60 percent or 0.60. This follows guidelines developed by turfgrass experts at the University of California at Davis and Riverside.

July ET_L in a traditional year – ET_O (6.61") x K_L (0.70 for cs turf) = 4.63" / month

July ET_L in a drought year – ET_O (6.61") x K_L (0.60 for cs turf) = 3.97" / month

The water savings associated with this recommendation will save 0.65" in the peak month of July which is a 14% reduction in water use!

The development of an irrigation schedule is based on the average daily ET_L . In the month of July we have a ET_L of 3.97". The objective is to establish an average daily ET_L which in this case is 0.128" per day (3.97" / 31 = 0.128"). The replacement for every 3rd day watering for turf in a typical July is 0.38 inches (3 x 0.128). If we were watering on a flat clay surface the infiltration rate or maximum intake rate of the soil is 0.08 inches per hour. It would be necessary to have 5 cycles or start times (5 x 0.08 = 0.40). Since most programs have only 4 start times, it will be necessary to utilize two programs to have an adequate number of start times on clay soils.

| Daily | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| ETL | 0.128" | 0.128" | 0.128" | 0.128" | 0.128" | 0.128" | 0.128" |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | Water | | Water | | Water |
| | | | Tue | | Thur | | Sat |
| | | | a.m. | | a.m. | | a.m. |
| | | | replace | | replace | | replace |
| | | | 0.38" | | 0.26" | | 0.26" |

On Tuesday the turf water requirement is 0.38". Regardless of the type of sprinkler, the soil infiltration or intake rate of 0.08" for clay (in this case) dictates the maximum amount of water applied to be 0.08" before runoff. Some sprinklers such as rotors and drip apply water more slowly and can have longer run times. Spray type sprinklers have a much higher precipitation rate so their run times to reach runoff are shorter. The sprinkler does not dictate the number of repeats rather it is the soil type! So the number of cycles required is 5 (0.38 / 0.08 = 4.75) We may have to use 2 programs here because of the limitations of start times available per program on most controllers.

| | | PROGRAM A | | | | | | | | PROCRAM R | | | | | | PROCRAM C | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|---|----------|------|------------------|-------|---|---|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----------|---|---|-----|------|------|---|--|
| | | | | \frown | PRU | JGRA | IMI A | | | | | | | | | | | | PRU | JGKA | AM C | | |
| DAY 0 | | M | Т | W | Т | F | S | S | M | Т | W | Т | F | S | S | Μ | Т | W | Т | F | S | S | |
| ODD/ EVEN or INTERVAL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 12:30 am | | | | | | 11:00 pm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | PROGRAM 2 | | | | 2:00 | 0 an | n | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| S | TART TIMES | 3 | | | 3:30 |) an | n | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 4 5:00 am | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| STATION | LOCATIO | TON STATION RUN TIME | | | | STATION RUN TIME | | | | STATION RUN TIME | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u> </u> | <u></u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

WATERING SCHEDULE FORM EXAMPLE

The next step in scheduling is to determine the run time in minutes required for Tuesday. We use a simple run time formula $RT = ET_L$ (turf water requirement) / PR (precipitation rate) x 60 (constant). In this example the sprinkler is a 15 ft spray spaced square at 30 psi with a precipitation rate of 1.58'' / hr. Recall the Tuesday ET_L so the run time is as follows ET_L (0.3842) / PR (1.58) x 60 = 15 minutes. The number is divisible by 5. On Program A we'll water 3 minutes per cycle x 4 starts = 12 minutes. If we water 3 minutes on program B we would be watering 15 minutes.



(plant water requirement)

$$RT = \frac{ET_{L}}{PR} \times 60$$

(precipitation rate)



| | | | | PROGRAM A | PROGRAM B | | PROGRAM C |
|----------|-----------------------|---|--|------------------|------------------|--|------------------|
| DAY 0 |)F THE WEEK | | | MTWTFSS | MTWTFSS | | ITWTFSS |
| ODD/ | ODD/ EVEN or INTERVAL | | | • | 9 | | |
| | | | | 12:30 am | 11:00 pm | | |
| I . | PROGRAM | | | 2:00 am | | | |
| s | START TIMES | | | 3:30 am | | | |
| | | | | 5:00 am | | | |
| STATION | LOCATIO | N | | STATION RUN TIME | STATION RUN TIME | | STATION RUN TIME |
| 1 | | | | 3 min. | 3 min. | | |
| ^ | I |) | | | | | |
| | | L | | 12 min. + 3 min. | | | |

WATERING SCHEDULE FORM EXAMPLE

We've completed the schedule for station 1 for the spray heads on the turf for Tuesday. The irrigation water that we had to apply (0.3842") requires 5 repeats and utilized the capabilities of both the A and B programs. The water requirement for Tuesday morning replaces 3 days of turf water use or 0.3842 inches of water). On the majority of controllers in the field there are only three programs. We'll use the final program, program C, for station 1 on Thursday and Saturday. The amount of water required on Thursday and Saturday replaces two days of turf water use or 0.26 (0.256). The run time for program C (Thursday and Saturday) is $RT = ET_L / PR \times 60 (0.26 / 1.58 \times 60) = 10 \text{ min}$. The 10 min run time cannot be split. Two five minute cycle would produce 10 minutes total but with runoff. There is also a problem with 11 minutes so the only option is 12 minutes or four 3 minute cycles. This is the problem dealing with high precipitation rate spray type sprinklers. We would prefer to water 10 minutes total but the controller can only do 9 minutes or 12 minutes.

WATERING SCHEDULE FORM EXAMPLE

| | | | PROGRAM A | PROGRAM B | | PROGBAM C |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----|------------------|------------------|---|------------------|
| DAY 0 | DAY OF THE WEEK | | M T W T F S S | MTWTFS | S | M T W T F S S |
| ODD/ EVEN or INTERVAL | | AL | U | | | |
| 1 | | 1 | 12:30 am | 11:00 pm | | 12:30 am |
| | PROGRAM 2 | | 2:00 am | | | 2:00 am |
| S | TART TIMES | 3 | 3:30 am | | | 3:30 am |
| | | 4 | 5:00 am | | | 5:00 am |
| STATION LOCATION | | N | STATION RUN TIME | STATION RUN TIME | | STATION RUN TIME |
| 1 | | | 3 min. | 3 min. | | 3 min. |
| <u>^</u> | | | 1 | | | |

(3 min. x 4 starts = 12 min.) (3 min. x 1 start = 3 min.)

12 min. + 3 min. = 15 min.)

(3 min. x 4 starts = 12 min.)

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One important feature of more modern controllers is the percentage or seasonal adjust key or +/- key. It allows adjustment of an entire program by percentages. Heavy clay soils and spray heads render this a meaningless feature. Imagine that there is a 3 minute run time that needs a 10% reduction. The controller times in 1 minute increments so the % key only works for 33% changes (3 minutes reduced to 2 minutes is a 33% change). The only options we have with these short run times is to eliminate a start time or decrease a run time. This is exactly why rotors, with their lower precipitation rates, and longer run times are a better option than sprays. If the rotor station was set for four 10 minute cycles a 90% adjust would reduce the run time to 9 minutes!



Ultimately we need to be very creative in dealing with drought conditions where reduced watering days may be imposed by cities or water agencies. There are many limitations to controller programming when this occurs and they are acutely felt during a drought. Another serious limitation in the more arid regions of the state is the limitation of the water meter to apply water in two days that would normally be applied in 3 to 7 days per week!





Irrigation Schedule

Monrovia, CA - CIMIS Sta. 159

Pop Up Spray Heads / Cool Season Turf

Cool Season Turf with a KT species factor (maximum stress) 0.60

| | DU _{LQ} PR Rate RTM | 0.56 1.58 1.36 | inches / hr. | | Every oth watering | ier day | Every 3rd watering | day | |
|----|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | | Monrovia ET _o Avg | Monrovia ET _o Avg. | Monrovia CS Turf Req't | Lower Bndry. Run Time | Upper Bndry. Run Time | Lower Bndry. Run Time | Upper Bndry. Run Time | |
| | | Monthly | daily | daily | min. | min. | min. | min. | |
| 31 | Mar | 3.72 | 0.1200 | 0.0720 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 11 | |
| 30 | Apr | 4.31 | 0.1437 | 0.0862 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 13 | |
| 31 | May | 5.24 | 0.1690 | 0.1014 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 16 | |
| 30 | Jun | 5.76 | 0.1920 | 0.1152 | 9 | 12 | 13 | 18 | |
| 31 | Jul | 6.61 | 0.2132 | 0.1279 | 10 | 13 | 15 | 20 | |
| 31 | Aug | 6.26 | 0.2019 | 0.1212 | 9 | 13 | 14 | 19 | |
| 30 | Sep | 4.86 | 0.1620 | 0.0972 | 7 | 10 | 11 | 15 | |
| 31 | Oct | 3.39 | 0.1094 | 0.0656 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 10 | |
| | | 40.15 | | | | | | | |



MP Rotators / Cool Season Turf

LINE SOURCE DRIP

| | Cool Sea | ason Turf | • with a K _T spe | cies factor | (maximun | n stress) | 0.60 | | | |
|----|----------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| | DULQ | 0.72 | | | Every oth | ner day | | Every 3rd | day | |
| | PR Rate | 0.43 | inches / hr. | | watering | | | watering | | |
| | RTM | 1.2 | | | | | | | | |
| | | Monrovia | Monrovia | Monrovia | Lower | Upper | | Lower | Upper | |
| | | ET ₀ | ET ₀ | CS Turf | Bndry. | Bndry. | | Bndry. | Bndry. | |
| | | Avg | Avg. | Req't | Run Time | Run Time | | Run Time | Run Time | |
| | | Monthly | daily | daily | min. | min. | | min. | min. | |
| 31 | Mar | 3.72 | 0.1200 | 0.0720 | 20 | 24 | | 30 | 36 | - |
| 30 | Apr | 4.31 | 0.1437 | 0.0862 | 24 | 29 | | 36 | 43 | |
| 31 | May | 5.24 | 0.1690 | 0.1014 | 28 | 34 | | 42 | 51 | |
| 30 | Jun | 5.76 | 0.1920 | 0.1152 | 32 | 39 | | 48 | 58 | RUSSIN MI |
| 31 | Jul | 6.61 | 0.2132 | 0.1279 | 36 | 43 | | 54 | 64 | A artage |
| 31 | Aug | 6.26 | 0.2019 | 0.1212 | 34 | 41 | | 51 | 61 | |
| 30 | Sep | 4.86 | 0.1620 | 0.0972 | 27 | 33 | | 41 | 49 | |
| 31 | Oct | 3.39 | 0.1094 | 0.0656 | 18 | 22 | | 27 | 33 | |
| | | MAXIMU | M CYCLE LEN | GTH (IN M | INUTES) TO | O AVOID R | UNOF | F ON CLAY | SOILS | |
| | | | SPRAYS | | 4 MINUT | ES | (15 F | T SQUARE | SPACING) | |
| | | | ROTORS | | 14 MINU | TES | (0.43 | " / HR PRE | CIP RATE) | |

4 MINUTES

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(0.9 GPH - 12" X 12" SPACING)



Drip / Line Source - 0.9 GPH - 12" x 12" spacing

0.0480

0.0575

0.0676

0.0768

0.0808

0.0648

0.0437

Every other day

Run Time Run Time

Upper

Bndry.

min.

NA

NA

NA

NA

NA

NA

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watering

NA

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Ornamental Shrubs with a species factor Kp (max stress) 0.40

| DU _{LQ} PR Rate RTM | 0.9 1.42 | inches / hr. | | Every ot waterin |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|---------------------|
| | Monrovia | Monrovia | Monrovia | Lower |
| | ETo | ET ₀ | Orn. Shrub | Bndry. |
| | Avg | Avg. | Req't | Run Tim |
| | Monthly | daily | daily | min. |

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Every 3rd day watering

min.

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6

Lower Upper Bndry. Bndry. **Run Time Run Time**

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9

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Drip / Point Source - random spacing - 0.25" / hr. PR

| | Orname | ental Shru | bs with a spe | cies factor | K _P (max s | stress) | 0.40 | | | _ |
|----|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | DULQ | 0.9 | | | Every ot | her day | | Every 3rd | day | |
| | PR Rate | 0.25 | inches / hr. | | watering | 3 | | watering | | |
| | RTM | 1.06 | | | | | | | | |
| | | Monrovia | Monrovia | Monrovia | Lower | Upper | | Lower | Upper | |
| | | ET ₀ | ET ₀ | Orn. Shrub | Bndry. | Bndry. | | Bndry. | Bndry. | |
| | | Avg | Avg. | Req't | Run Time | e Run Time | | Run Time | Run Time | |
| | | Monthly | daily | daily | min. | min. | | min. | min. | |
| 31 | Mar | 3.72 | 0.1200 | 0.0480 | NA | NA | | 35 | 37 | |
| 30 | Apr | 4.31 | 0.1437 | 0.0575 | NA | NA | | 41 | 44 | |
| 31 | May | 5.24 | 0.1690 | 0.0676 | NA | NA | | 49 | 52 | |
| 30 | Jun | 5.76 | 0.1920 | 0.0768 | NA | NA | | 55 | 59 | |
| 31 | Jul | 6.61 | 0.2132 | 0.0853 | NA | NA | | 61 | 65 | - |
| 31 | Aug | 6.26 | 0.2019 | 0.0808 | NA | NA | | 58 | 62 | |
| 30 | Sep | 4.86 | 0.1620 | 0.0648 | NA | NA | | 47 | 49 | |
| 31 | Oct | 3.39 | 0.1094 | 0.0437 | NA | NA | | 31 | 33 | |
| | | | 9850 E. I | Rush St | | S. El Mon | te | (626) 350 |). <i>9530</i> | Rigo Lopez |
| | ! I I I Ì | пс | 21101 St | perior St | | Chatswor | th | (818) 882 | 2.9530 | Armando Sanchez |
| | | | 433 Bori | rego Ct | | San Dima | 15 | (909) 59 9 | 9.0515 | Ricardo Hernandez |
| | | | 4552 Co | lorado Blv | d | Glendale | | (818) 551 | 1.9550 | Jack Tauvaga |
| | | | 2327 Fea | leral Blvd | | West L.A. | | (310) 479 | 9.9533 | Robert Romo |

Ornamental Shrubs with a species factor Kp (max stress)

* lower boundary represents a water time that assumes a high uniformity of application DULO

* upper boundary increases run time to account for normal sprinkler uniformity deficiencies

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Precipitation Rate Tables - Low Volume/Drip-Micro Irrigation Point Source Emiiters or Micro Spray

(METER FLOW)

CFM GPM

AREA IN SQUARE FEET(CANOPY AREA)

75 100 125 150 175 200 225 250 275 300 325 350 375 400 425 450 475 500 525 550 575 600 625 650 675 700 8

| 0.03 | 0.25 | 0.48 | 0.32 | 0.24 | 0.19 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.10 | 60.00 | 0.08 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|--------------|---|
| 0.07 | 0.50 | 0.96 | 0.64 | 0.48 | 65.0 | 0.32 | 0.28 | 0.24 | 0.21 | 0.19 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 60.0 | 0 60'0 | 80. | | | | | |
| 0.10 | 0.75 | 1.44 | 0.96 | 0.72 | 0.58 | 0.48 | 0.41 | 0.36 | 0.32 | 0.29 | 0.26 | 0.24 | 0.22 | 0.21 | 0.19 | 0.18 | 0.17 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 0.14 0 | .14 | 0.13 0 | 13 | 12 0 | 12 0 | H | Ξ | _ |
| 0.13 | 1.00 | 1.93 | 1.28 | 0.96 | 0.77 | 0.64 | 0.55 | 0.48 | 0.43 | 0.39 | 0.35 | 0.32 | 0.30 | 0.28 | 0.26 | 0.24 | 0.23 | 0.21 | 0.20 | 0.19 0 | 0.18 | 0.18 0 | 117 0 | .16 0 | 15 0 | 15 | - | |
| 0.17 | 1.25 | 2.41 | 1.61 | 1.20 | 0.96 | 0.80 | 0.69 | 0.60 | 0.5 | 0.48 | 4.0 | 0.40 | 0.37 | 0.34 | 0.32 | 0:30 | 0.28 | 0.27 | 0.25 | 0.24 0 | 12 | 0.22 0 | 21 0 | 20 0 | 19 0 | 61. | 8 | |
| 0.20 | 1.50 | 2.89 | 1.93 | 1.44 | 1.16 | 0.96 | 0.83 | 0.72 | 0.64 | 0.58 | 6.53 | 0.48 | 44.0 | 0.41 | 620 | 0.36 | 0.34 | 0.32 | 020 | 0.29 | .28 | 0.26 0 | 22 | .24 0 | 3 | 2 | 21 | |
| 0.23 | 1.75 | 3.37 | 2.25 | 1.69 | 1.35 | 1.12 | 0.96 | 0.84 | 0.75 | 0.67 | 0.61 | 0.56 | 0.52 | 0.48 | 0.45 | 0.42 | 0.40 | 0.37 | 0.35 | 0.34 0 | 32 | 0.31 0 | 29 | .28 0 | 27 0 | .26 | 5 | |
| 0.27 | 2.00 | 3.85 | 2.57 | 1.93 | 1.54 | 1.28 | 1.10 | 0.96 | 0.86 | 0.77 | 0.70 | 0.64 | 0.59 | 0.55 | 0.51 | 0.48 | 0.45 | 0.43 | 0.41 | 0.39 0 | 37 | 0.35 0 | 33 0 | 32 0 | 310 | 30 | 2 | |
| 0.30 | 2.25 | 4.33 | 2.89 | 2.17 | 1.73 | 1.44 | 1.24 | 1.08 | 0.96 | 0.87 | 0.79 | 0.72 | 0.67 | 0.62 | 0.58 | 0.54 | 0.51 | 0.48 | 0.46 | 0.43 0 | .41 0 | 0 950 | 38 0 | 36 0 | 35 0 | 8 | 8 | |
| 0.33 | 2.50 | 4.82 | 3.21 | 2.41 | 1.93 | 1.61 | 1.38 | 1.20 | 1.07 | 0.96 | 0.88 | 0.80 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 0.64 | 0.60 | 0.57 | 0.54 | 0.51 | 0.48 0 | .46 | 0.44 0 | .42 0 | 40 0 | 65 | 37 | 8 | |
| 0.37 | 2.75 | 5.30 | 3.53 | 2.65 | 2.12 | 1.77 | 1.51 | 1.32 | 1.18 | 1.06 | 0.96 | 0.88 | 0.81 | 0.76 | 0.71 | 0.66 | 0.62 | 0.59 | 0.56 | 0.53 | 50 | 0.48 | .46 0 | 4 | 42 0 | 41 | ñ | |
| 0.40 | 3.00 | 5.78 | 3.85 | 2.89 | 231 | 1.93 | 1.65 | 1.44 | 1.28 | 1.16 | 1.05 | 0.96 | 0.89 | 0.83 | 0.77 | 0.72 | 0.68 | 0.64 | 0.61 | 0.58 0 | 55 | 0.53 | 50 | .48 | 46 0 | 4 | 2 | |
| 0.43 | 3.25 | 6.26 | 4.17 | 3.13 | 2.50 | 2.09 | 1.79 | 1.56 | 1.39 | 1.25 | 1.14 | 1.04 | 0.96 | 0.89 | 0.83 | 0.78 | 0.74 | 0.70 | 0.66 | 0.63 | 09.0 | 0.57 | 5 | 52 0 | 50 | .48 | 46 | |
| 0.47 | 3.50 | 6.74 | 4.49 | 3.37 | 2.70 | 2.25 | 1.93 | 1.69 | 1.50 | 1.35 | 13 | 1.12 | 5 | 0.96 | 0:90 | 0.84 | 0.79 | 0.75 | 12.0 | 0.67 0 | 25 | 0.61 0 | 59 0 | .56 0 | 5 | 3 | ŝ | |
| 0.50 | 3.75 | 7.22 | 4.82 | 3.61 | 2.89 | 2.41 | 2.06 | 1.81 | 1.61 | 1.44 | 1.31 | 1.20 | 111 | 1.03 | 96.0 | 0.00 | 0.85 | 0.80 | 0.76 | 0.72 0 | 69.0 | 0.66 0 | .63 | 60 09 | 58 0 | 28 | 5 | |
| 0.53 | 4.00 | 7.70 | 5.14 | 3.85 | 3.08 | 2.57 | 2.20 | 1.93 | 171 | 1.54 | 1.40 | 1.28 | 1.19 | 1.10 | 1.03 | 0.96 | 0.91 | 0.86 | 0.81 | 0.77 0 | 13 | 0.70 | . 67 | 64 0 | 62 0 | 65 | 5 | |
| 0.57 | 4.25 | 8.19 | 5.46 | 4.09 | 3.27 | 2.73 | 2.34 | 2.05 | 1.82 | 1.64 | 1.49 | 1.36 | 1.26 | 1.17 | 1.09 | 1.02 | 0.96 | 0.91 | 0.86 | 0.82 0 | .78 | 0.74 0 | 121 | .68 | .65 0 | 8 | 19 | |
| 0.60 | 4.50 | 8.67 | 5.78 | 4.33 | 3.47 | 2.89 | 2.48 | 2.17 | 1.93 | 1.73 | 1.58 | 1.44 | 1.33 | 1.24 | 1.16 | 1.08 | 1.02 | 0.96 | 0.91 | 0.87 0 | .83 | 0.79 | .75 0 | 72 0 | 0 69 | 19 | Q. | |
| 0.64 | 4.75 | 9.15 | 6.10 | 4.57 | 3.66 | 3.05 | 2.61 | 2.29 | 203 | 1.83 | 1.66 | 1.52 | 1.41 | 1.31 | 1.22 | 1.14 | 1.08 | 1.02 | 96.0 | 0.91 0 | .87 | 0.83 | 087 | 76 0 | 33 0 | 8 | 89 | |
| 0.67 | 5.00 | 9.63 | 6.42 | 4.82 | 3.85 | 3.21 | 2.75 | 2.41 | 2.14 | 1.93 | 1.75 | 1.61 | 1.48 | 1.38 | 1.28 | 1.20 | 113 | 1.07 | 1.01 | 0.96 | .92 | 0.88 0 | .84 | .80 | 77 0 | 74 | 5 | |

* Obtain flow to the area by reading water meter. Calculate canopy area using Ewing's "16 point" measuring system for irregularly shaped areas.



In-Line Drip Tubing Flow Precipitation Rates (Netafim)

| | | | | | | Ē | # | | | | | - | | | ŝ | RUB | & GR | NNO | DCO | VER | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|-----------------|---------|---------|--------|-----------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|------|------|------|
| GENERAL GUIDELINES | 5 | AVS | OIL | LOA | M SI | J | SAN | DV SC | DIL C | OARS | ESO | 1 | CLAY | SOIL | 3 | MMO | SOIL | SAI | VDV | SOIL | COAS | SES | SOIL |
| EMITTER FLOW | 0 | 26 GF | H | 0 | 4 GPI | - | 0.6 | GPH | | 0.9 (| HdS | | 0.26 (| HdS | 1 | 0.4 G | H | 0 | 6 GP | H | 0 | GPI | + |
| EMITTERSPACING | | 18~ | | | 12" | | _ | .2. | | 1 | h | - | 18 | | _ | 18- | | | 12- | | | 12- | |
| LATERAL (ROW) SPACING | 18 | 20- | 22 | 18" | -20- | 22" | 12- | 14" 1 | | 2 1 | 1 -1 | 2- 18 | 5 21 | - 24 | - 18 | - 21 | 24" | 16 | 18" | 20- | 19 | 18" | 20- |
| BURIAL DEPTH | | 1.071 | Bury | werd, | throu | ghout | the z | one fre | t-t-uc | -90 | | | | - | Dn-su | ríace se zon | or bur | y eve | My the | augho | ti | | |
| APPLICATION RATE (INCHES/HOUR) | 0.15 | 3 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.45 | 0.41 | 0.37 | 960 | 0.83 0 | 12 1 | 44 1. | 24 1. | 08 0. | 19 0.1 | 6 0.1 | 4 0.2 | 9 0.2 | 1 0.21 | 0.72 | 0.64 | 0.58 | 1.08 | 0.96 | 0.87 |
| TIME TO APPLY 34" OF WATER (MINUTES) | 81 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 41 | 16 | 18 | 21 | 1 | 2 1 | 4 8 | 9 | 100 | 8 | 61 | 20 | 21 | 8 | 36 | 2 | 16 | 17 |
| Following thes 0.9 GPH | e max | mum : | spacit | ng gui | deline | s, emi | ther fi | ow sel | ection | o can t | be inc | rease ach at | d if de | sired t | by the | r desig | ner. | | | | | | |

Note: 0.4, 0.6 and 0.9 GPH are nominal flow rates. Actual flow rates used in the calculations are 0.42, 0.61 and 0.92 GPH.

Measuring irregularly shaped drip zone canopy

When the geometry of an area is complex, the area can be measured by treating it as a circle. The formula for the area of a circle is Pi (3.14) x radius (squared) = A. We can determine the average radius of any shape by measuring the distance from near the center to the perimeter 16 times using a 100 foot tape. We then total these measurements and divide by 16 to obtain the average.

In the field use a fabricated 2×2 plywood sheet with a hole in the center for a screwdriver and place this sheet near the approximate center of the area to be measured. Create 16 permanent radii from the center at 22.5 degree increments on the plywood sheet. Use these as a guide and measure to the perimeter.





For simplicity of calculation inches are converted to a decimal equivalent. A conversion chart for inches to decimal equivalent may be found on the right side of the table on the reverse side of this page.

This shape has a total of 524.55 feet. The average radius is therefore 32.78 (524.5/16). Find the average radius on the reverse table. We have to interpolate to determine that the area is 3,346 sq. ft

| Conversio | on Chart - | Average Ra | adius to S | quare Feet | (16 radii | minimum) | |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------|
| Avergage | Area | Avergage | Area | Avergage | Area | Avergage | Area |
| Radius | (square | Radius | (square | Radius | (square | Radius | (square |
| (feet) | feet) | (feet) | feet) | (feet) | feet) | (feet) | feet) |
| (ieet) | iccty | (ieet) | iccty | (ieet) | reety | (ieet) | iccty |
| 10.00 | 314 | 22.00 | 1,521 | 43.00 | 5,809 | 66.50 | 13,893 |
| 10.25 | 330 | 22.50 | 1,590 | 43.50 | 5,945 | 66.00 | 13,685 |
| 10.50 | 346 | 22.75 | 1,626 | 44.00 | 6,082 | 66.50 | 13,893 |
| 10.75 | 363 | 23.00 | 1,662 | 44.50 | 6,221 | 67.00 | 14,103 |
| 11.00 | 380 | 23.25 | 1,698 | 45.00 | 6,362 | 67.50 | 14,314 |
| 11.25 | 398 | 23.50 | 1,735 | 45.50 | 6,504 | 68.00 | 14,527 |
| 11.50 | 415 | 23.75 | 1,772 | 46.00 | 6,648 | 68.50 | 14,741 |
| 11.75 | 434 | 24.00 | 1,810 | 46.50 | 6,793 | 69.00 | 14,957 |
| 12.00 | 452 | 24.25 | 1,847 | 47.00 | 6,940 | 69.50 | 15,175 |
| 12.25 | 471 | 24.50 | 1,886 | 47.50 | 7,088 | 70.00 | 15,394 |
| 12.50 | 491 | 24.75 | 1,924 | 48.00 | 7,238 | 70.50 | 15,615 |
| 12.75 | 511 | 25.00 | 1,963 | 48.50 | 7,390 | 71.00 | 15,837 |
| 13.00 | 531 | 25.50 | 2,043 | 49.00 | 7,543 | 71.50 | 16,061 |
| 13.25 | 552 | 26.00 | 2,124 | 49.50 | 7,698 | 72.00 | 16,286 |
| 13.50 | 573 | 26.50 | 2,206 | 50.00 | 7,854 | 72.50 | 16,513 |
| 13.75 | 594 | 27.00 | 2,290 | 50.50 | 8,012 | 73.00 | 16,742 |
| 14.00 | 616 | 27.50 | 2,376 | 51.00 | 8,171 | 73.50 | 16,972 |
| 14.25 | 638 | 28.00 | 2,463 | 51.50 | 8,332 | 74.00 | 17,203 |
| 14.50 | 661 | 28.50 | 2,552 | 52.00 | 8,495 | 74.50 | 17,437 |
| 14.75 | 683 | 29.00 | 2,642 | 52.50 | 8,659 | 75.00 | 17,671 |
| 15.00 | 707 | 29.50 | 2,734 | 53.00 | 8,825 | 75.50 | 17,908 |
| 15.25 | 731 | 30.00 | 2,827 | 53.50 | 8,992 | 76.00 | 18,146 |
| 15.50 | 755 | 30.50 | 2,922 | 54.00 | 9,161 | 76.50 | 18,385 |
| 15.75 | 779 | 31.00 | 3,019 | 54.50 | 9,331 | 77.00 | 18,627 |
| 16.00 | 804 | 31.50 | 3,117 | 55.00 | 9,503 | 77.50 | 18,869 |
| 16.25 | 830 | 32.00 | 3,217 | 55.50 | 9,677 | 78.00 | 19,113 |
| 16.50 | 855 | 32.50 | 3,318 | 56.00 | 9,852 | 78.50 | 19,359 |
| 16.75 | 881 | 33.00 | 3,421 | 56.50 | 10,029 | 79.00 | 19,607 |
| 17.00 | 908 | 33.50 | 3,526 | 57.00 | 10,207 | 79.50 | 19,856 |
| 17.25 | 935 | 34.00 | 3,632 | 57.50 | 10,387 | 80.00 | 20,106 |
| 17.50 | 962 | 34.50 | 3,739 | 58.00 | 10,568 | | |
| 18.00 | 1,018 | 35.00 | 3,848 | 58.50 | 10,751 | Decimal Ed | quival. |
| 18.25 | 1,046 | 35.50 | 3,959 | 59.00 | 10,936 | inches | decimal |
| 18.50 | 1,075 | 36.00 | 4,072 | 59.50 | 11,122 | | |
| 18.75 | 1,104 | 36.50 | 4,185 | 60.00 | 11,310 | 1 | 0.08 |
| 19.00 | 1,134 | 37.00 | 4,301 | 60.50 | 11,499 | 2 | 0.17 |
| 19.25 | 1,164 | 37.50 | 4,418 | 61.00 | 11,690 | 3 | 0.25 |
| 19.50 | 1,195 | 38.00 | 4,536 | 61.50 | 11,882 | 4 | 0.33 |
| 19.75 | 1,225 | 38.50 | 4,657 | 62.00 | 12,076 | 5 | 0.42 |
| 20.00 | 1,257 | 39.00 | 4,778 | 62.50 | 12,272 | 6 | 0.50 |
| 20.25 | 1,288 | 39.50 | 4,902 | 63.00 | 12,469 | 7 | 0.58 |
| 20.50 | 1,320 | 40.00 | 5,027 | 63.50 | 12,668 | 8 | 0.67 |
| 20.75 | 1,353 | 40.50 | 5,153 | 64.00 | 12,868 | 9 | 0.75 |
| 21.00 | 1,385 | 41.00 | 5,281 | 64.50 | 13,070 | 10 | 0.83 |
| 21.25 | 1,419 | 41.50 | 5,411 | 65.00 | 13,273 | 11 | 0.92 |
| 21.50 | 1,452 | 42.00 | 5,542 | 65.50 | 13,478 | | |
| 21.75 | 1,486 | 42.50 | 5,675 | 66.00 | 13,685 | c. 2009 Ewing Irr | igation Produ |

Once the canopy area of a specific drip irrigation zone has been measured, the flow to the zone must be obtained by operating the zone from the irrigation controller. Proceed to the water meter and observe the flow to the zone as the station is running. Allow a couple of minutes for the tubing to fill and come to full pressure before reading flow at the meter. Proceed to the precipitation rate chart and derive the precipitation rate by matching area in square feet to meter flow in cubic feet per minute (CFM)

Also insure that there is adequate pressure to the last (and or highest) elevation emitter in the zone. Minimum psi for pressure compensating emitters is 10 psi and for drip line 15 psi.



| Estimating Irregula | rly shaped Areas | | | |
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| | | EMITTER FLOW (| TIME TO FI | LL 2" CAP) |
| TOTAL | | | | |
| AVG/16 | | EMITTER TYPE | GPH | FILL TIME |
| SQ. FT | | | | |
| | | POINT SOURCE | 2.00 | 56 SECONDS |
| METER | | POINT SOURCE | 1.00 | 1 MIN 52 SECONDS |
| FLOW | | LINE SOURCE | 0.92 | 2 MIN 2 SECONDS |
| CFM | | LINE SOURCE | 0.61 | 3 MIN 4 SECONDS |
| | | POINT SOURCE | 0.50 | 3 MIN 45 SECONDS |
| PR Rate | | LINE SOURCE | 0.42 | 4 MIN 26 SECONDS |
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The Water Meter – A Drought Management Tool

The water meter is an important management tool during the drought. As a landscape professional you can provide a very important service for your customers by monitoring their water use. If you are performing landscape maintenance at a site, then you are visiting it on a weekly basis and it will take just a few minutes to provide this service. Your primary objective in this regard is to look for leaks. Open the valve meter box when you arrive for maintenance and watch the meter for a few moments. There is a low flow indicator on the meter. If the meter is not dedicated to the landscape there may be a flow of potable to the residence or building. Try to check for leaks when no one is present in the building. If the irrigation system is off and no one is home the low flow indicator should not be moving. Observe it for a few seconds to see if it is turning. It may not be turning, but there still may be a leak. Note the position of the needle and the reading on the total flow which looks like a car's odometer. Check this before you leave the site to see if there has been any flow during your maintenance period. <u>Calculate the flow of the leak per hour and multiply by 8,760 (hours per year to determine the amount of water loss per year.</u>



At each maintenance visit check the low flow indicator and the position of the needle and total flow to determine if there is a slow leak. Take a digital image with your phone camera to document any leaks as well as the meter number. This is a great low cost service that you can provide to your customers during the drought!

The water meter is usually located between the curb and the backflow prevention device. Most commercial sites have dedicated landscape meters but this is not always the case. Meters record water volume in gallons or cubic feet, but most water agencies provide meters that record in cubic feet. A cubic foot of water is 7.48 gallons and is a 12"x12"x12" cube. Customers are billed in what is known as ccf's or hundred cubic foot units of 748 gallons.



Each full revolution of the dial on commercial meters (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and larger) represents a flow of ten cubic feet or 74.8 gallons



Each full revolution of the dial on a residential meter (5/8", 3,4" and 1") represents a flow of one cubic foot or 7.48 gallons

The water meter limits the amount of water that can be delivered to the site. Most irrigation systems were designed with the expectation that they would apply water anywhere from three to seven days per week. Take the system that in non-drought years was able to water six days per week and nine hours per day in the month of July. This is a total watering time of 3,240 minutes ($6 \times 9 \times 60$). Let's assume this is a 2" meter providing 50 gallons per minute. Under these conditions the meter could provide up to 162,000 gallons per week. (This 50 gpm flow is an average as some stations such as drip have far less flow and others such as large turf rotors have more)

Now, transition to a drought where watering is allowed two days per week for a maximum of thirty hours per week. The amount of water that could be delivered to the site would be 90,000 gallons (1,800 minutes x 50 = 90,000. Given this shortfall it is likely the site manager will have to set priorities on landscape watering and it is possible that some areas of the landscape may not survive. Invest the landscape water in large trees and shrubs which have the greatest value in the landscape!

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

REBATES FOR WATER EFFICIENCY UPGRADES





\$2/square foot of irrigated turf removed and replaced with drought-tolerant plants or other approved landscape options

SoCal Water\$mart COMMERCIAL PROGRAM

| Plumbing Fixtures | Base Rebate |
|--|--|
| High-Efficiency Toilets (Multi-Family) | \$145/Toilet - 1.06 gallons per flush or less \$100/Toilet - 1.28 gallons per flush or less |
| High-Efficiency Toilets (Flushometer/Tank) | \$100 |
| Ultra-Low and Zero-Water Urinals | \$200 |
| Plumbing Flow Control Valves | \$5/Valve (minimum of 10) |
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| Landscaping Equipment | |
| Smart Irrigation Controllers/ Central Computer Irrigation Controllers | \$35/Station |
| Soil Moisture Sensor Systems | \$35/Irrigation controller station |
| Rotating Nozzles for Pop-up Spray Heads | \$4/Nozzle (minimum of 15) |
| Large Rotary Nozzles | \$13/Set (minimum of 8 sets) |
| In-Stem Flow Regulators | \$1/Regulator (minimum of 25) |
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Turf Removal

Removal of Irrigated Turf

| Food Equipment | |
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| Connectionless Food Steamers | \$485/Compartment |
| Air-Cooled Ice Machines | \$1,000 |
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HVAC Equipment

| Cooling Tower Conductivity Controllers | \$625 |
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| Cooling Tower pH Controllers | \$1,750 |

Medical and Dental Equipment

| Laminar Flow Restrictors | \$10/Restrictor (minimum of 10) |
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| Dry Vacuum Pumps | \$125/0.5HP (up to 2HP max) |

SoCal Water\$mart RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM

| Indoor Fixtures | Base Rebate |
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| High-Efficiency Toilets (Tank-Type) | \$100 |
| High-Efficiency Clothes Washers | \$85 |
| Landscaping Equipment | |
| Smart Irrigation Controllers | \$80/Controller for less than one acre \$35/Station for areas larger than one acre |
| Soil Moisture Sensor Systems | \$80/Controller for less than one acre \$35/Station for areas larger than one acre |
| Rain Barrels | \$75 |
| Rotating Nozzles for Pop-up Spray Heads | \$4/Nozzle (minimum of 15) |
| Turf Removal | |
| Removal of Irrigated Turf | \$2/square foot of irrigated turf removed and replaced with drought-tolerant plants or other approved landscape options |

SoCal Water\$mart PUBLIC AGENCY PROGRAM

| Landscaping Equipment | Base Rebate |
|--|------------------------------|
| Smart Irrigation Controllers/ Central Computer Irrigation Controllers | \$55/Station |
| Soil Moisture Sensor Systems | \$55/Station |
| Large Rotary Nozzles | \$13/Set (minimum of 8 sets) |
| Rotating Nozzles for Pop-up Spray Heads | \$6 each (minimum of 15) |

SoCal Water\$mart FITNESS CENTER PROGRAM

| Equipment | Base Rebate |
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| High-Efficiency Toilets (Tank or Flushometer) | \$300 |
| Ultra-Low or Zero-Water Urinals | \$500 |

SoCal Water\$mart is a region-wide program brought to you by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Local water agencies may offer other incentive program opportunities. Rebates will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted.

More Information

Log on to socalwatersmart.com for eligibility terms and application guidelines or call 888.376.3314.



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