

The Plainfield Township Water Department
wants to remind you to keep...

USING WATER WISELY!!!

What a wonderful time of year!!!

The grass is green, the trees are full, and our gardens are on their way to fruitful greatness!!! And our most precious natural resource is helping us get there...WATER!

We all know that water is an absolute requirement to keeping our grasses green and our flowers blooming, but we often unnecessarily use this resource during the summer months which can cause much more harm than good to our lawns. (And wallets due to larger than normal water bills.)

Did you know that our lawns in this area only require about 1" of a combination of rainfall and sprinkler water each week? Over watering or improper watering can actually harm your grass and plants!

Here are some great irrigation tips that can not only help your grass, but it can also help with those larger water bills that come during the summer months!

- Water lawns during the early morning hours when temperatures and wind speed are the lowest. This reduces losses from evaporation.
- Position sprinklers so water lands only on the lawns and shrubs...NOT paved areas and buildings.
- Check your sprinkler system and timing devices regularly to be sure they operate properly.
- Install a rain sensor for automatic irrigation systems, or manually turn off sprinklers during and after rainfall.
- Cut your grass to 3" high or more. A higher cut encourages roots to grow deeper, shades the root system and helps retain soil moisture longer.
- Consider using native plants for landscaping. They tolerate historic rainfall patterns and temperature changes.



REMEMBER:
WE HAVE PLENTY OF WATER TO USE...
WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TO WASTE!