

# WATERING TIPS

## BASIC WATERING INSTRUCTIONS

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In order to water properly, we must first understand that many factors control when, how much, and why we water. We must water less in the winter and more in the summer. Light, temperature and soil types are the main factors that determine how much we water. The lower the light the less water a plant will require. The higher the light the more water a plant will require. The warmer the weather the more water a plant will require. The cooler the weather the less water a plant will require. The more porous soils will require more water also.

A really good rule of thumb to follow for healthy plants is medium to good light and to keep them lightly moist. With outside plants this means watering will vary from season to season plus it will vary if the plants are planted in the ground or in containers. Remember that as it gets warmer you will have to adjust your watering accordingly. Also as it cools down you will need to make adjustments to your watering again. As it heats up and we start using our air conditioners we will also need to adjust our watering practices. When we do water, we need to water thoroughly. How much water, when to water, how often to water is determined by your climatic conditions and locations of your plants.

Please note that we cannot give exact specifications for watering because of the above conditions.

Remember that we live in a very hot climate in the summer and frequent attention to watering is a must for happy, healthy plants.