Set Controllers for Efficient August Watering

Recommended Minutes PER CYCLE by Sprinkler Type



See A Spot, Water A Spot

A sizzling July brought intensifying drought conditions to much of our area. These conditions can often magnify issues that impact lawn health. If you're starting to see dry patches or even brown spots develop in areas of your yard, there are a few things to consider.

Brown spots and dry patches may be a result of a lack of water. Sprinkler systems are set to evenly cover a yard with water. However, a clogged nozzle or tilted sprinkler head can cause portions of a yard to miss out on precious hydration. Watch your system while it's running. If the spray is missing the dry spots, adjusting the aim of the sprinkler head or replacing the nozzles may be all that's needed.

If you see brown spots start to develop rapidly (as quickly as overnight), that could be a sign of a fungal issue. Ascochyta leaf blight causes large patches of grass to turn straw-colored, appearing dead. The good news is it only appears that way—the grass crowns and roots are typically okay. Adequate watering and lawn maintenance can often correct this issue after a few weeks.

In any case where dry spots emerge, it's important to not overwater. Use a hose to provide additional water to dry spots rather than running sprinklers for extended periods. Keep a screwdriver handy too. If you can easily push it six to eight inches into the ground, your grass has the water it needs.



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