



Coldwater Landscapes

Essential Sod Care Tips

New Sod Watering Guidelines



First 4 weeks

- Daily watering recommended
- Duration: 45 minutes to 1 hour
- Ensure even coverage by checking the soil under the sod



Weeks 5-8

- Water 3-4 days per week
- Duration: 45 minutes to 1 hour
- Maintain consistent moisture levels to support growth



After week 8

- Aim for at least 1 inch of water per week
- Adjust based on weather conditions and soil type
- Deep, infrequent watering promotes strong roots

Establish Strong Root Systems

Patience is key

- Avoid mowing until the root system develops
- Test root development by gently tugging on sod sprigs
- If sprigs stay firmly in place, your sod is ready for mowing

Encourage healthy growth

- Keep foot traffic minimal during the establishment period
- Avoid heavy objects or equipment on newly laid sod
- Allow time for roots to anchor firmly into the soil

Maintain Fertilization

- Follow recommended fertilization schedule for optimal growth
- Use a balanced fertilizer with appropriate nutrient ratios
- Consult with Coldwater Landscape's fertilization experts about our turf management plans

Weed Control

- Apply pre-emergent herbicides to prevent weed growth
- Regularly inspect your sod for any signs of weeds
- Hand-pull or treat weeds promptly to maintain a pristine lawn

Seasonal Considerations

- Adjust watering and maintenance routines based on weather
- Aerate the sod periodically to improve air and water circulation
- Seek professional assistance for complex issues or special care needs