



**WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM  
RECOMMENDED YEAR-ROUND WATERING SCHEDULE**



**Recommended Schedule:**

Station #	Program	Plant Type			Irr. Type*	Min/cycle	Cycles/day	# Days per week (circle current month)												
		Lawn	Shrub	Other				Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
		Lawn	Shrub	Other				-	-											-
<b>Typical lawn station</b>								-	-											-
	A B C	X			S	5	3	-	-	1	2	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	-	
	A B C	X			R	15	2	-	-	1	2	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	-	
	A B C	X			MP Rotator	15	2	-	-	1	2	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	-	
<b>Typical shrub station</b>								-	-										-	
	A B C		X		S	5	2	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	-	
<b>Typical drip station</b>								-	-										-	
	A B C				D	30-60	1	-	-	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	-	

\*Irrigation Types Key: S = Spray, R = Rotor, D = Drip, MS = Micro-spray, B = Bubbler; specify if mixed or other

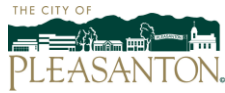
Comments:

**Use Programs to separate lawn from other plant material & separate irrigation spray types**

Outdoor watering is best done between midnight and 6:00 am  
Soak between cycles at least 2 hours.

Suggestion: First start time @ 1:00 a.m.  
Second start time @ 3:00 a.m.  
Third start time @ 5:00 a.m.

Questions? Contact us at 925-931-5531 / [www.PleasantonWaterConservation.com](http://www.PleasantonWaterConservation.com)



## Irrigation Controller Assistance Program Important Features and Seasonal Adjustments for Homeowner Irrigation Controllers

Thank you for your participation in the City of Pleasanton’s Irrigation Controller Assistance Program. The recommended schedule our Water-Efficiency Technician developed for your landscape is the ideal watering schedule for the conditions observed during your service visit, as could best be programmed with the controller on site. Please review the following recommendations and notes to further improve your landscapes water-efficiency potential:

### Potential Schedule Adjustments Needed if You Notice:

- 1) If an entire station is browning (experiencing excessive water stress), gradually increase the number of minutes in a watering cycle until lawn improves in condition. If the extra time causes water runoff, cut time in half and add an additional cycle instead.
- 2) If an entire station is too wet or soggy in appearance, decrease watering time until area is no longer soggy, yet lawn remains healthy.
- 3) If the weather is **extra hot**, adjust your controller by adding 10% to the total watering run time or by adding an additional watering day until hot spell ends.
- 4) If the weather is **unseasonably cool or cloudy**, adjust your controller by decreasing total watering time by 10% or delete a watering day. Remember to return the controller to original setting if normal weather pattern returns.
- 5) If you do not have a rain sensor installed, keep in mind that during rainy March – May periods, watering may not be necessary. Switch off controller during rainy periods.

### Typical Seasonal Water Time Adjustments (shown as percentages, with July as maximum watering time)

Percentage of Watering Time Per Month											
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
0	0	5	30	60	90	100	90	60	30	5	0

### Important Water-Efficiency Features for Irrigation Controllers

At minimum your controller should have the following features to maintain a water-efficient watering schedule:

- Three independent programs
- Station run times from 1 to 200 minutes
- Three start times per program
- Odd/even, weekly and interval program capability up to 30 days
- Water budgeting from 0 - 200%, in 10% increments
- 365 day calendar, adjusted for leap year
- Non-volatile memory or battery back-up
- “Off”, “Auto”, and “Manual” operation modes
- Rain shut off device capability

Contact the City of Pleasanton’s Water Efficiency Technician with questions or comments: **925-931-5504**

