



Landscape Care Instructions

Warranty requirements:

1. **Proposal**

- See your landscape proposal for specific warranty information.

2. **Irrigation System:**

- Winterize by October. Startup inspection/test in early spring. Check Drip zone pressure. For service call Sanford Irrigation (360) 683-9807.

3. **Fencing and Structures:**

- To avoid weathering of the wood, use an oil-based stain every 2-5 years. You must wait until the lumber has dried out for the first application. We recommend Penofin brand stain (Rodda Paint).
- Warping and cracking are typical of most wood products including pressure treated lumber. This is not covered by warranty. In some cases, replacement may be the best option.

4. **Water Feature:**

- If you choose to winterize, do so in October. To winterize, remove the pump and store indoors. You may need to pump out the basin occasionally if it fills with rain water. Your pump is not covered by warranty if it is allowed to freeze up. If the pump is in shallow water, it is advised to remove for cold weather.
- You must ensure the water level stays at the correct level to avoid pump burnout. You may have an auto shut off or an auto fill to assist with that. Know how to reset your auto shutoff.

5. **Plant Health Moisture Monitoring**

- Your Plants must receive the proper frequency and amount of moisture to thrive. It is also equally important that the plants do not remain constantly saturated.
- Plants and soil need to be on the side of wet after watering and on the side of dry before the next watering occurs.
- Overwatering is equally as damaging as underwatering.
- The weather is constantly changing and must constantly be accounted for. The only way to mitigate these variables is to monitor the site and adjust accordingly.
- After two seasons you may not need to irrigate at all, or very infrequently due the drought tolerance of your plants.

Warranty Request:

1. Follow how to tips before making a warranty request.
2. List the type and quantity of the warranty item.
3. Take a picture and send to onalandscaping@gmail.com
4. If it is determined that the steps were not followed or that the item in question is not a warranty item, a service visit charge may be incurred.

How To Tips:

Deer:

- Try Liquid Fence Deer & Rabbit Repellent.
- Motion activated sprinkler
- In some cases, deer fencing is an option.

Irrigation help:

1. Visit onalandscaping.com, "what we do" "info for new clients".
2. Here you can access a how-to video and faucet timer instructions.

Irrigation Post Run Inspection:

1. Time to complete 15-20 minutes.
2. This inspection will be performed within a few hours of the last run time.
3. Using your moisture meter, check every tree on site in multiple locations around the root ball ensuring that mulch is pulled back and you are getting a depth 4-6". If any trees are reading on the dry side, notate which ones. (dry off the moisture meter between readings)
4. Randomly check shrubs, ornamental grasses, groundcovers etc. repeating step 2.
5. If the site is reading very dry everywhere:
 1. Immediately check the timer and inspect for operational status, ensure the faucet is turned on, try running a manual zone. Sometimes the control unit is not inserted correctly which causes it to not make a connection, correct this by removing and re-inserting, then try running a manual station to verify.
 2. Ensure the timer is programmed correctly.
 3. If the timer is not operating, make a warranty request.
6. If the site is reading too dry, increase run time on the zones that are reading dry. We usually start with a (1) hour run time. Sometimes if it is really hot or dry, it may be necessary to run each zone 1 1/2- 2 hours.
7. If the site is reading too wet, reduce the watering frequency. We typically start with once per week. On some sites you may need to increase the frequency to once every 2 or 3 weeks. Note: this is dependent on the time of year and the weather patterns. Sometimes you will have the system turned off during rainy weather.
8. Irrigation seasons
 1. September through November (weather dependent): system will be turned off and winterized.
 2. December through March: system will remain off.
 3. April through June: turn on system, check operating status, then turn off until weather dictates need. Occasional watering during this time of year.

4. July through September: Typical time of year to use the irrigation system. You must monitor to ensure proper duration and frequency for first two years.
5. After 2 seasons: Optional use of irrigation dependent on summer conditions.

Irrigation Pre-Run Inspection:

1. Time to complete 15-20 minutes.
2. This inspection will be performed before the next run time.
3. Using your moisture meter, check every tree on site in multiple locations around the root ball ensuring that mulch is pulled back and you are getting a depth 4-6".
4. You want to see the moisture content on the side of dry throughout the beds.
5. If the site is too dry reduce the frequency (less days between watering), if the site is too wet, increase the frequency. (more days between watering)

Plant Care:

- Evergreen trees: prune for health and containment.
- Deciduous trees: prune for health and containment.
- Shrubs: prune for health and containment
- Perennials: cut back in fall.
- Ornamental Grasses: Depends on type, cut back in early spring.
- Fertilizing: If you choose to fertilize, follow the instructions on the bag. We suggest organic fertilizer.
- Ensure wood chips do not get piled up against the base of any plant.

Bed Maintenance:

- Maintain 4-6" of wood chips for maximum plant protection and health as well as moisture retention and weed deterrence.
- Remember, mulch is temporary until your plants fill in, if you must add more mulch use Arborist chips or wood chip mulch (hog fuel) from Cascade Bark.
- Weeding: remove weeds weekly before weeds go to seed. Increase frequency in spring. If you choose to use weed killer, we suggest organic weed killer (Co-Op in Sequim) Do not spray near plants.

Establishing New Lawns:

- The seed must remain moist all day long in order to germinate. You may have temporary tripod sprinklers setup to assist with that. In addition to the 4 run times, you may need to manually run the sprinklers to help keep the soil moist. You don't want so much water that it becomes a mud bog. Run time (5-20 minutes) (4+ start times a day)

- Once the seed has germinated determine if over seeding is necessary, if so, apply more seed and keep run times the same.
- Once the lawn has sufficiently germinated and has reached a height of 1-2" tall, add run time and decrease the start times to once per day in the morning. (30-60 minutes) (1x per day in the early morning)
- After the lawn has reached a mowable height of 3-4", reduce the frequency to once per week for the duration of the season. (30-60 minutes) (1x per week in the early morning)
- The following season your lawn will be established and will not require watering unless you choose to water occasionally. If you choose to water the lawn, we suggest finding the minimum frequency which will depend on your site and the weather. This could be once per week, once every 2 weeks, once every 3 weeks etc only during times of no rain. Please choose to conserve water as much as possible. (30-60 minutes) (1x every 1-3 weeks) (months of July and August) (Only during times of drought)

Eco Lawn Maintenance:

- You can choose to mow weekly, bi weekly or monthly as desired for even appearance or not at all. We suggest minimal mowing.
- We suggest broadcasting or mulching instead of bagging.
- No need to fertilize, the clover self-fertilizes.
- Weeds are a matter of opinion. We suggest letting what grows be. If you must remove something, do it manually or use organic weed control.

Thank you for your business! Feel free to contact anytime with questions.

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