

WHEN IT'S YOUR DAY TO WATER, WHETHER **EVEN** OR **ODD**, REMEMBER THESE SIMPLE TIPS TO KEEP YOUR LAWN HEALTHY:

- Lawns in our area typically need 1 to 1.5 inches of water per week from irrigation or rainfall during summer to remain green and actively growing.
- An easy way to determine how much you are watering is to place tin cans—empty tuna cans work well—to measure the amount of water you are applying to your lawn. These can help you avoid over-watering or missing spots.
- The best time to water a lawn is during the early morning hours, when wind is low and loss of water through evaporation is minimal. Watering early in the morning also helps prevent turf diseases. Avoid irrigating during mid-day and windy conditions.
- Make sure you water the lawn, not sidewalks and road surfaces. Move and adjust sprinklers frequently enough to avoid puddles and runoff.
- Water problem areas by hand to postpone the need for irrigation of the entire lawn. Some areas of a lawn usually dry out before others; spot water them as needed.
- Grasses can be trained to endure the season, developing deeper roots that draw moisture from a larger volume of soil. So even on your designated days, water only if necessary. Rainfall can eliminate the need for lawn irrigation entirely—even if it's your day to water.

# Water by the Numbers

**EVEN or ODD?**  
Finding out is as simple as looking at your address.

**EVEN** House  
Numbers Water

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**ODD** House  
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City Utilities of Springfield is asking all of its customers who water their lawns—whether you use an irrigation system or sprinklers—to do so on designated days of the week, based on your house number.

## Save Water

With your help, Springfield may be able to save 5 million gallons of water every day, preserving one of our most precious and valuable natural resources. We need water to live, so let's all use it wisely.



## Save Money

Plus, by saving that much water—enough for 17,000 homes—expensive projects like a new water treatment plant, necessary to serve customers with drinking water they need, may be delayed further into the future.

*It's simple to do. Check your house number. Even or odd?*

### IF YOUR HOUSE NUMBER IS EVEN...

If your house number ends in an even number, like 532, 1298, or 4266, water only Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

### IF YOUR HOUSE NUMBER IS ODD...

If your house number ends with an odd number, like 531, 1299, or 4267, water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

### WHAT ABOUT MONDAY?

We all take a break—no watering on Monday. But, our yards will still receive enough water to keep them healthy and attractive. Typically, even in dry and hot conditions, it is not necessary to water every day.

*Save water. Save money.  
Help our community.*

At City Utilities of Springfield, we are committed to helping our customers use their water and energy wisely. By watering your lawns on designated days, you can help Springfield save water and you will save money. It's simple to do. And it's good for our community.

**For more information about this program and other ways you can save water and energy, call 417-874-8200 or visit [cityutilities.net](http://cityutilities.net)**

