

# Please, water your trees!

**A FIVE MINUTE GUIDE TO KEEPING YOUR TREES HEALTHY  
AND PROTECTING YOUR INVESTMENT IN OUR FUTURE.**

## **ONCE a day...**

Newly planted trees should be watered daily for the first three months, unless a heavy rain has occurred in the past 48 hours.

## **TWICE a week...**

For the next eighteen months, water your tree two times a week.

## **ONCE a week...**

After two years, water your tree weekly, or more often if its particularly hot and dry.

## **How much water?**

Watering may need to be more or less often depending on your soil. If you're not sure, check the top couple inches of soil, if it's dry, water. Sandy soils need more frequent water than heavy clay.

Trees need about five gallons of water per inch of trunk diameter. Not sure what your tree's diameter is? Measure the circumference (around the tree trunk at chest level) and then divide by 3.14, that number is your diameter!

**Remember, deep watering is ideal to saturate the soil and reach the roots of your tree.**

## **Should you mulch?**

Mulch can help the soil retain some moisture.

Just be sure the layer isn't too thick. One inch is enough, more than three is too much. And never allow mulch to touch the trunk of your tree.

