



# Do It Yourself

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## LAWN-WATERING ADVICE

It may be more convenient to water your lawn after work, but that may not be the best time for your grass. While evening watering does reduce evaporation loss, it also creates the perfect condition for mold and other lawn diseases to develop. Instead, try watering your lawn in the morning. If you aren't an early riser, use a watering timer. While you are at it, a thorough watering encourages the grass to develop deep root systems that make the lawn hardier and more drought resistant. However, do not water too often. Instead, wait until the lawn dries out before watering again. An indication that the lawn has been well-watered is when footprints stay compressed more than a few seconds.

If your lawn isn't summer-perfect, now is a great time to perk up your

turf. At STEPHENS ACE HARDWARE, we have a huge selection of lawn and garden supplies for everything you need – from a variety of hoses and sprinklers to fertilizers and pesticides. And our knowledgeable sales staff will be happy to help you diagnose the problem, whether it's too much water, not enough water, or something all together different. Let us help you grown a lawn that will turn your neighbors green with envy. Visit us at 405 Broad St., Fuquay-Varina, or call 919-552-2200 for more information. Wake County's most unique hardware store.

**HINT:** Impact sprinklers are more efficient water-delivery devices than sprinklers that shoot fine sprays or streams into the air.



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