

# USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT SETTING YOUR AQUA ET SELF-ADJUSTING CONTROLLER

Your ET Controller automatically adjusts the watering schedule throughout the year. After you set the controller for the summer water schedule, **do not** change it during the year to accommodate the season. The Aqua ET Controller will automatically adjust the watering run-times.

## Example of Program Settings

There are four programs available with the ET Controller. Place plant material with similar watering needs on the same program. All lawns should be grouped together, shrub areas grouped together and unique watering areas such as hillsides should be grouped together, etc. The fourth program can be used for special requirements (starting new lawns, or drip irrigation).

<b>Example:</b>	<b><u>Program</u></b>	<b><u>Area to be Watered</u></b>	<b><u>Frequency</u></b>
	Program A	Lawns	Even Days
	Program B	Shrub Beds	Skip 3 Days
	Program C	Hillside Rotors	Odd Days (2)
	Program D	new sod or seed	Every day for 60 days

## Example of Watering Run-Times

Schedule your AQUA ET Controller to water as you would for the hottest month of the year.

<b>Example:</b>	<b><u>Sprinkler Type</u></b>	<b><u>Minutes</u></b>	<b><u>Start Times</u></b>
	Spray Heads	10 - 15	1
	Rotors	30 - 45	1
	Drip	40 - 60	1

If you have clay soil or slopes or notice water run-off, it is advisable to set multiple start times and reduce the individual station watering time. Water two times a day for 5 minutes instead of once a day for 10 minutes. This allows the water to soak into the soil.

## ACCUMULATION FEATURE

The ET Controller has an accumulation feature that will skip days if the watering time is too short for beneficial plant use. The controller may skip 1 to 4 or more watering days during November through March.

This feature accumulates run-times from skipped watering days and will apply the water when at least half of the peak summer run-time is reached. This helps to ensure deep watering and better plant growth.

**Example:** Summer run-time for Station 1 is 10 minutes. December run-time for Station 1 is automatically adjusted to 2 minutes. The controller will water every third watering day for 6 minutes.

For additional information on the "Accumulation Feature" refer to your Irrigation Controller User's Guide.



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