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MAKE EVERY DROP COUNT WHEN WATERING YOUR LAWN AND GARDEN

When the temperature rises, so does outdoor water use.

“Many warm-weather activities can quickly consume hundreds of gallons of water,” said Jeffrey Auer, Deputy Director of Water, Town of West Springfield DPW Water Division. “It’s especially important for residents not to waste our limited water supplies during the summer months.”

Here are some simple ways to make every drop count when watering your lawn and garden:

- **Water your lawn and garden only when needed.**
Don’t follow a fixed schedule.
- **Water your lawn and garden during the cooler parts of the day**
- **Deep soak your lawn and garden.**
- **Let the water sink in slowly.**
- **Don’t leave your garden hose unattended.**
- **Use a garden hose with a shut-off nozzle.**
- **Be sensible when using your lawn sprinkler.**
- **Put a timer on your underground lawn irrigation system.**
Or better yet a system that uses a rain sensor.
- **Check for and fix any leaks in outdoor hoses, pipes, faucets, and connections.**

For more information on how you can conserve water outdoors and indoors throughout the year, contact Jeffrey Auer, Town of West Springfield DPW Water Division at (413) 263-3230