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Leave your grass longer and use a wetting agent to maximise water effectiveness in the lawn and garden

Let your grass grow longer

The way you mow your lawn can have a significant impact on the way your lawn looks and the rate it uses water.

A lawn cut at the following heights will help slow soil evaporation by providing protection from direct sunlight and strong winds. On hot days, a longer lawn will provide a layer of insulation slowing the warming of the soil and the rate of evaporation. Watering at night will also reduce evaporation. The result will be a greener lawn, better able to cope with drought conditions.

Lawn Type	Mowing Height
Blue / Rye	25 – 35mm
Tall Fescue	45 – 60mm
Couch	10 – 20mm
Sir Walter Buffalo.....	45+mm
Kikuyu	25 – 50mm

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for maintaining a green garden while saving water

Wetting Agents Maximise Water Effectiveness

Getting water in the right areas is essential for lawns and gardens to be watered effectively. Soils that are hydrophobic (repel water) or have poor water holding qualities can be ineffective and can waste many litres of our most precious resource.

To help combat these problems it is recommended that you add wetting agents to the soil. Wetting agents break the surface tension of hydrophobic soils and allow more water to penetrate. They also hold the water around the root base where it is the most useful.

Apply wetting agents prior to laying turf or seeding lawns, or planting out your gardens. They should also be added once every 6 months to have the best effect.

Wetting agents are available in granular and liquid form. In granular form, they can be dug into the first 10-20 cm of soil before planting. Each litre of wetting agent will cover approximately 15m². The liquid form can be applied after planting or for subsequent applications.

If you would like a beautiful green lawn ask a Pro – a Water Pro – Ph: 1300 660 111

9 Handy Locations across Melbourne

- Burwood** 39 Huntingdale Rd
- Dandenong** 2/1 Attenborough St
- Elsternwick** 515 Glenhuntly Rd
- Hoppers Crossing** 9/428 Old Geelong Rd
- Lilydale** 19 Cave Hill Rd
- Moorabbin** 250 Chesterville Rd
- Frankston** 3/9 Sir Laurence Drive Seaford
- Sunbury** 59 Vineyard Rd
- Thomastown** 280 Settlement Rd



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