Setting Your Sprinkler Controls

It is important that all members of the Meadows at Timberhill community water lawns and shrubbery in a fairly consistent manner. Too much water wastes money and resources and causes lawn mowing equipment to damage lawns. Too little water leads to inconsistent appearance of the neighborhood and damage or death for landscaping. Since each unit has a sprinkler control in its garage, it is the owner's and resident's responsibility to ensure that the sprinkler timer is set appropriately. Here are some helpful hints.

1. Be sure two working "AA" batteries are installed in the controller. Without batteries, the controller resets whenever there is a power failure to a default of watering every day.
2. Please do NOT water between noon Monday and Wednesday evening. The landscape maintenance company cuts lawns on Tuesday and they need Wednesday for fertilizer and weed killer to work.
3. Set your controller to water two days a week (e.g., Thursday and Saturday) for 20 minutes, or for three days a week (Thursday, Saturday and Monday) for 15 minutes. Instructions for setting the controller are summarized below.

Setting Current Date and Time

1. Turn dial to "Date/Time".
2. Set 12 or 24 hour mode (only when powering up system):
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change mode, then press Next.
3. Set hour:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change hour, then press Next.
4. Set minutes:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change minutes, then press Next.
5. Set day: Press ▲ or ▼ to change Press ▲ or ▼ to change day, then press Next.
6. Set month:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change month, then press Next.
7. Set year:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change year, then press Next.
8. Set day of week:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to move the water droplet at the bottom of screen, then press Next.

Proceed to next column to set run times.

Setting Running Parameters

1. Turn dial to "Start Times".
2. Set Start Time 1:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to set time, then press Next.
3. Set Start Time 2:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to set time, then press Next.
   Repeat for up to 4 zones. [*]

4. Turn dial to "Run Times".
5. Set Run Time 1:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change number of minutes to run, then press Next.
6. Set Run Time 2:
   Press ▲ or ▼ to change number of minutes to run, then press Next.
   Repeat for up to 4 zones. [*]

7. Turn dial to "Water Days".
8. Press ▲ to choose a day, or ▼ to skip a day. The water droplet at bottom of screen stays lit for each day chosen and goes off for each day skipped.
9. Turn dial to "RUN" to end this function (do NOT press NEXT).

Setting Running Options

Turn dial to "Run" to run the sprinkling program automatically.

Turn dial to "Off" during the winter, and when ever the sprinkler program should not be running.

The dial positions of "Cycle" and "Manual" have special functions and should not normally be used. The operating manual has more complete information.

[*] NOTE: Most end units have two zones; most interior units have one zone. Unfortunately, installation by the developer was not consistent. Some units have as many as four zones. If you need help determining what you need to do, or if you would like help programming your controller, please contact Dave Stubbs of DLS Associates at (541) 602-1775.