

## Spring Irrigation Spruce-Up



Reducing lawn and garden irrigation to twice a week isn't the only way to avoid wasting water outdoors. The EPA advises these four steps for smarter watering every spring:

- Inspect sprinkler heads. A broken one can waste over 4,000 gallons/month!
- Connect hoses and pipes tightly so they don't leak.
- Direct sprays on landscapes, not pavement.
- Select an irrigation controller with the "WaterSense® label."



## Did You Know?

Leaky toilets can silently waste hundreds of gallons of water per month. We'll send you free dye tablets you can use to see if your toilet is leaking. Just email us at [cs@aquarionwater.com](mailto:cs@aquarionwater.com).



## Who'll Be Our Next Environmental Champions?

For 8 years, Aquarion's Environmental Champion Awards Program has honored volunteer efforts aimed at making areas we serve better, safer and more sustainable places to live.

This year, we're looking for outstanding achievements in four categories – Students, Adults, Non-Profits and Businesses. Students will receive a \$1000 award and winners in the other categories can name an environmental non-profit to receive a \$5000 grant from Aquarion.

Each year, we look to you to tell us about individuals and organizations who've made outstanding contributions to protecting and stewarding New Hampshire's natural resources.

So who will you nominate? Please don't be shy about naming yourself, a company or non-profit you work with. Or a favorite student and their outstanding environmental project.

Nominations close on May 6 and we'll announce winners over the summer. For more details and our nomination form, head for [www.aquarionwater.com/awards](http://www.aquarionwater.com/awards).



Nominations  
Now Open for  
2022 Awards  
Program



## Twice-Weekly Watering... Better For Your Lawn And The Water Supply

Given our lawns' and gardens' need for water, we're fortunate that enough usually falls from the sky. Even so, homeowners can use large amounts of this precious resource by giving lawns and plants more than they need. This can strain the reliable supplies communities require for drinking, fire protection and other critical needs.

To reduce overwatering, Aquarion encourages customers to follow a twice-weekly irrigation schedule. Surprisingly, this can actually improve the health of lawns and gardens, even in dry weather.

Why? Overwatering keeps roots near the surface, away from deeper, natural water sources and vital soil nutrients. By letting rain do most if not all of your watering, and irrigating no more than two times per week, you'll encourage plants to grow more robust and efficient root systems.

For more information and tips, visit [www.aquarionwater.com/conserv](http://www.aquarionwater.com/conserv).

