

COUGAR CUSTOMER CARE TIPS

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JUNE/JULY DRIEST MONTHS IN 25 YEARS

WOW! What a difference a month and half can make. March and April were great months for rain and low temperatures. June/July are proving to be well BELOW average rainfall and ABOVE average temperatures. This lack of rain coupled with 30+ days over 100 degrees is causing people to experience lots of trouble in their landscapes. Brown patches, dead plants and high water bills are becoming the norm. Irrigation system deficiencies are easy to find in this weather; clogged heads, improper coverage, improper runtimes. **In times of extreme temperature and drought, it is more important than ever to practice water wise principles.**

- **Water early morning (2am-6am preferred), but no later than 10am (per mandatory watering schedule May 1-September 30)**
- **Water deeply (apply at least 1/2" per application)**
- **Water infrequently (2x a week or less) to promote deep roots.**

AUSTIN BERGSTROM YEAR TO DATE RAIN TOTALS

NORMAL	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL
1971-2000	2.21	2.02	2.36	2.63	5.12	3.42	2.03
2009	0.40	0.94	3.21	3.74	1.73	1.03	

AUSTIN CAMP MABRY. THE AVERAGE MONTHLY TEMPERATURE FOR JUNE WAS 86.6 DEGREEs WHICH WAS 5.6 DEGREEs ABOVE THE NORMAL OF 81.0 DEGREEs. Data compiled from www.weather.gov

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PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT: HUNTER SOLAR SYNC



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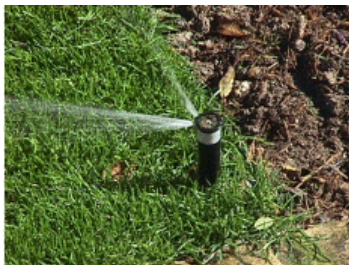
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CITY OF AUSTIN WATER UTILITY OFFERS FREE AUDITS AND REBATES!



Clogged nozzles cause improper application of water and reduced efficiency by misdirecting the spray pattern. "Spitting", partial spray patterns, or a complete lack of water being discharged by a sprinkler head can be caused by debris caught inside the assembly. Photo and text taken from www.ALSAustin.org

- Have you recently received a high water bill?
- Are your spray heads misting?
- Broken heads or malfunctioning system?

The City of Austin water utility provides free water audits and rebates for City of Austin water customers. Although their website says they focus on high water users (25,000 gallons or more), they will schedule any customer who calls them requesting help. Granted with only 3 employees covering all of Austin, it may take awhile for them to get to you, but it is best to get on their list! [Click here for more info on rebates.](#)

TIDBITS from the COUGAR

- Cougar Matt passed his Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor exam in June!

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