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Ways to Kill Your Lawn & Landscaping (Or How NOT to Water Your Lawn in Omaha)

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It Rains So You Quit Watering

You don't want to run your sprinkler system when it's raining. True! But it doesn't always rain enough for your landscaping.

You Can:

- Use rain gauges to determine the amount of water received. If it's not enough for your yard, turn your system back on. How much is enough? Typically, an inch of water a week is needed. Still unsure? Learn the signs of a thirsty lawn on our website.

Or We Can:

- Install an affordable Rain Sensor that automatically turns your system off when it rains and back on if it doesn't rain enough.
- OR install a set-it-and-forget-it controller such as the Wireless Hunter Solar Sync. This will operate your system as needed to maintain the optimum moisture balance in your soil.

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Mismatched Watering

Have different types of plants in the same location? If they have different watering needs you could be overwatering some or under-watering others. Either way spells trouble.

You Can:

- Re-sculpt your property, group water-same plants together and program your sprinklers accordingly. You'll save water and money!

Or We Can:

- Install Drip Irrigation in key areas. It can be added to your existing system, doesn't require trenching and it lets you customize water delivery for each plant.

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Water Blasting Your Greenery

Your sprinklers were installed before you planted your trees and shrubbery. Now your greenery has grown and gets pummeled when your sprinklers kick on.

Either You Can or We Can:

- Adjust the directional spray of the water
- OR relocate the sprinkler heads causing the problem
- OR replace your sprinkler heads with ones that deliver the water differently. For example, instead of a 4" sprinkler head a 12" head can direct the spray over the top of shrubbery.



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Cookie-Cutter Watering

If you're giving the same amount of water to all areas of your property all the time, your lawn and landscaping are apt to get sick.

You Can:

- Create a map of your property, identifying the different watering needs of each area or watering zone according to sun, topography, landscaping, etc.
- Then program your controller accordingly. For example, water more often in the hot, sunny zones and slopes, less often in the shady spots and soggy depressions. Also, when programming your system, remember to consider usage of entries and walkways.

Or We Can:

- Audit your property and sprinkler system, modify your programming and adjust or enhance your system with additional zones or alternative sprinkler heads to ensure you're getting the right amount of water in each location.
- Install a sensor or controller that starts/stops your system as needed.

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Oops, Missed A Spot

Many lots are irregular as is landscaping. If your sprinkler system hasn't been customized for your property, you may end up with one or two dry spots that develop weeds or disease...and these can spread.

You Can:

- Water these hard-to-reach areas by hand or with a manual system (time consuming and inconvenient).

Or We Can:

- Enhance your system with additional zoning.

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Not Adjusting For The Weather

Seasons change and so do temps and moisture levels. If you turn your sprinkler system on in the spring and never touch it again until fall, your lawn and landscaping won't look the best and may be prone to disease.

You Can:

- Learn the signs of a thirsty lawn as well as the signs of an over-watered one. Then adjust your watering schedule accordingly.

Or We Can:

- Do a Summer Checkup of your system and reprogram it to accommodate current weather and soil conditions.
- Install a set-it-and-forget-it controller such as the WIREless Hunter Solar Sync.

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