

Attention, customers! It's crucial to check the irrigation settings in your home to ensure they match your preferences. Understanding how your irrigation system works is essential to avoid unnecessary watering and high water bills. Know the number of zones and heads in the system, as well as the gallons per minute of water being released.

Homeowners with irrigation systems must understand the system controller to program settings that work best for their landscape. Here are some vital points to remember:

- Most Irrigation systems have 3 different program functions (A, B, C), and each program function can have multiple start times.
- Be careful not to confuse minutes for hours. For example, "Min 0:06" vs "Hrs 6:00".
- Power surges can reset systems to factory settings and override your current settings.
- Typically, homes run on about 60 PSI, and a single head can put out around 20 gallons per minute.

One common misconception is that if the settings are for 10 minutes, then that's the total amount of time the irrigation system operates. In reality, it may run for a couple of hours, 10 minutes per zone, leading to a larger water bill than expected.

A healthy yard needs less water than you may think. Visit www.watermyyard.org to determine the adequate amount of supplemental water needed to maintain a healthy lawn.