



Maintaining a Drought Proof Lawn

Step One:

Choose a drought tolerant turf variety:

- Conquest Couch
- Sir Walter (Soft Leaf Buffalo)
- Kikuyu
- Santa Ana Couch

Step Two:

Enhance the quality of soil used on your prepared site to improve its ability to retain moisture and nutrients by adding water retention crystals and/or organic material. The soil profile depth must be at least between 100mm – 150mm.

Step Three:

Consider installing a sub-surface irrigation system. Speak to your local irrigation professional to seek advice on product knowledge and budget options.

Step Four:

You should try to water less frequently, but with larger quantities. Deep watering once or twice a week, instead of 10 minutes every day will force the roots to chase the moisture further into the ground and help train your lawn to become more drought tolerant. Most lawn areas will still thrive if watered once a week.

Water Budget to Maintain a Healthy Thriving Lawn

Grass Variety	Weekly Water Requirement	Water Requirement per week/100m²
Sir Walter	20 – 25ml/week	2000-2500 litres
Conquest Couch	20 – 25ml/week	2000-2500 litres
Santa Ana Couch	20 – 25ml/week	2000-2500 litres
Kikuyu	20 – 25ml/week	2000-2500 litres

An irrigation system in Moama is usually designed on around 25 litres per minute flow.

To Establish Your New Lawn

Exemptions to establish a new lawn do apply, please contact Council on 5884 3400 for more information.

For more information on establishing and maintaining a new lawn, contact your local turf specialist.