



Garden After Care Guide

To protect your new investment and keep your landscape flourishing, we at Signature Landscapes offer monthly maintenance services. However, for you do-it-yourself-ers, here are a few maintenance tips:

- Watering well is essential for your plants' health. It is the key to protecting your new investment, and should remain a consideration ongoing, but especially in the first two years after planting.
- Large trees (at least 6ft tall) should be watered using the 3-2-1 system: 3 times a week the first week after installation, 2 times a week the second week of installation, and 1 time a week through the rest of the season. Simply place a garden hose at the base of the tree and let the water trickle for up to one hour.
- Perennials and shrubs may require daily watering until they are established. A rule of thumb is to water until the ground is moist about 6 inches deep. Watering should be done by hand, at the base of the plant. Only skip watering when rainfall is one half inch. However, you do not have to water at all late fall thru winter.
- Maintaining a minimum of 2" of mulch will help retain moisture and hinder weeds.
- Check leaves and stems periodically for insects, discoloration, or any other signs of disease. Consult our related company, Poor Boy's Garden Center at (410)-668-7599 with any questions or concerns.
- Weed at least once a month. Weeds take away moisture and nutrients from your plants.
- In the fall, remove any excess debris from the surrounding landscape to get ready for winter. Also, cut perennials back to the ground and remove any annuals. Cutting your plants back and removing debris will help prevent over-wintering insects and diseases.

Plant Warranty:

- Trees and shrubs we install (excluding transplants) are guaranteed for one year from planting date.
- Perennials in Quart pots (or larger) will be guaranteed for 30 days.
- No guarantee on transplants, annuals, bulbs, groundcover, grass seed/sod or plant material in pots smaller than 4".
- Excludes loss due to lack of care/acts of Nature (ie: lack of water, flood/fire, etc.) and replacement is made only once.
- Weeds **will** return; we cannot guarantee against them. Routine upkeep is the solution; ask about our maintenance services.