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When laying new lawn turf, it's important to remember that roots need to regenerate and this could take as long as two or three weeks. It's crucial that the new turf is kept as moist as possible during this period of time, so that it doesn't dry out. Areas worthy of special watering attention are the edges of the turf and on the joins, where one piece of turf meets another.


During periods of dry weather, the best time to water your new lawn is during the late evening when the sun has gone down. With less heat, the water won't evaporate as much and the moisture has a better chance of penetrating the soil and reaching the roots. Some experts might tell you that the morning is the best time to water the lawn in order to avoid diseases in the turf. However, if you purchase turf from Kennedy's, the turf will have already been treated to ensure that any disease will be prevented during those crucial first few weeks.

During prolonged periods of hot weather, it's well worth watering in the morning as well. Again, try to get out before the heat intensity builds in order to keep evaporation to a minimum.

Kennedy's Turf is one of the few UK companies to supply a specialised yet natural turf backing – it is highly absorbent and has good levels of water retention which is of course very important during dry months. If you stick to a sensible watering timetable, you will hopefully see the results in your beautifully green lawn that is establishing well.

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1. As soon as your new turf is delivered, lay it as soon as is possible.
2. For 2 full weeks, water the new turf every single evening. If the weather is particularly hot and dry, water both in the evening and the morning.
3. Check the weather forecast – It might be miserable work but if you can lay your turf on a wet day, all the better.
4. In very dry conditions, avoid using granular fertilisers on new turf.
5. If gaps appear you can blend in some decent compost and step up the watering.
6. This same compost can also help in dry weather as it will give the turf better chance of retaining any moisture.
7. After 3-5 days, your new turf will be ready for its first light cut which will help to encourage growth. After the first cut, try to mow the lawn every 7 days while grass is growing.
8. Sharpen your mower blades – a blunt blade won't help at all.
9. If it's hot, nudge up the mowing height on your mower.
10. In drought conditions, if the hose pipe is off limits, you can usually use a watering can instead.

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A period of three or four weeks should be enough for your lawn to be established, which means that the root system can start to draw its own water and moisture from the soil.

With the roots working to get their own water, your established lawn will need very little watering. Overdoing it could result in instability in the lawn and mildew and mould may start to creep in simply because it's now too damp – so be cautious.

There are exceptions (as we have found out in recent years) but generally speaking, most areas of the UK have enough rainfall, even in summer months, to ensure that the soil underneath the turf is moist enough to nourish the grass on the surface.

If a drought does occur, there are things you can do. Using water retention granules is one such method. If you are able, however, using something natural (e.g. organic compost) is a preferable option. Brushing it lightly into the turf during the spring months can help with moisture retention. We would recommend you over seed and scarify as part of the procedure.

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1. If you maintain your turf (see our lawn care calendar) during the crucial months of spring and autumn, it will be in far better condition to cope with extreme weather when it arrives.
2. Mow the lawn weekly unless weather is very hot and wet in which case you may need to mow it twice weekly.
3. With so much mowing it will be important to keep mower blades sharp.
4. Leaves and other garden debris should always be cleared from the lawn surface.
5. If the ground is very dry or very wet try to keep the children and any pets away from the lawn.
6. Try to use natural fertilisers
7. If you notice brownish areas on your turf – it may signify it needs watering.
8. Investing in a water butt is wise – it could be a lifesaver during long, dry months.
9. The better the lawn is cared for and maintained, the better it will cope with harsh weather conditions and the quicker it will respond and improve when the weather does likewise.
10. If you are not sure about any of the above, please seek professional advice.

Please Note – This is only a guide and does not constitute professional advice or guarantee results.

During water restrictions – Local laws and guides should always be checked. Please seek out professional advice if in doubt.

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