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Winter Planting Tips

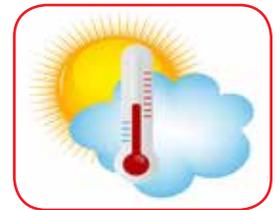
Most winter injury is caused by dehydration - not cold temperatures. Plants in pots, plants under decks, trees or overhangs, and evergreen plants are most prone to winter dehydration.

Cold, dry winds are very damaging to plants in the winter. Water plants occasionally during the winter if the weather is windy, and there is not any snow cover on the ground.

Unusually warm and dry winter weather is very damaging to many plants. Water plants occasionally during the warm spells.

If plants need moisture, water during the day when the temperature is above 40 degrees F. for best results.

Covering plants with snow is an excellent way to water plants during the winter, especially for plants growing in containers and under decks. When the weather gets warm, and the plants needs water, the snow melts.



Winter Planting Tips: *Please Read J&L's Complete Planting Guide*

1. Make a basin around each plant that will hold at least 1 gallon of water.
2. Mix **Dr. Earth Starter Fertilizer** in the soil before planting.

You must use Dr. Earth Starter Fertilizer to extend J&L's Plant Guarantee through the winter.

3. Water Plants thoroughly when you plant them, even if the ground is wet. (It is important to remove all the trapped air in the soil around the roots before the ground freezes solid.)
4. Water New Plants at least once a week until they are covered with snow.
5. Do not let your plants dry out before the ground freezes solid!
6. Check your plants regularly, but water only when needed.

Remember, Evergreen plants need water more often than plants that drop their leaves.

7. Apply **Dr. Earth Root Starter** when you first plant them. It will help the roots grow and establish better during the winter.
8. Cover the roots with an extra layer of mulch, leaves, compost, or soil after the ground freezes. This extra layer helps prevent severe cold temperatures from damaging new roots that have not had time to establish themselves in the soil.
9. Spray evergreen plants with **Wilt Pruf** to help prevent leaf scorch, or needle dehydration during the winter.
10. Fertilize plants with **Dr. Earth Starter Fertilizer** early in the spring.



Remember that some plants need more attention, and water than others. Check your plants regularly; apply water (or snow) as often as needed.

