

Care for Container Plantings: Care for Container Plantings:

Soil moisture needs to be checked every morning. When the weather is dry and windy you may even need to check soil moisture morning and evening. To test the moisture level, rub a small amount of the surface soil from each pot between your thumb and finger. Ideally, you want to re-water each planter before the soil becomes bone dry. On the other hand, the soil should not be constantly soaking wet or the plants will drown. Therefore, it's necessary to keep track other moisture level very conscientiously.

To be sure that water reaches all of the soil around the plants roots; fill the planter to the rim with water a couple of times, allowing plants and soil to get thorough saturation of water.

To keep plantings looking full and to encourage abundant blooming, remove dead flower heads promptly. This is a good time to check for insects or diseases.

Once every ten days to two weeks, water with a mild –slow release fertilizer solution-Miracle Gro works great. You just get the liquid fertilizer & follow directions. Mix this fertilizer with the water-DO NOT POUR DIRECTLY ONTO PLANTS-THIS COULD CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE FLOWERS & FOLIAGE.

For winter storage, plastic or clay pots should be put in a garage or something of the like.

