

Is your fertilizer injector *proportioning*?

If it's not, many of your plants are not getting the same amount of fertilizer. In some cases, some plants may not be getting any at all. It depends on the type of injector/dispenser you're using. Not all fertilizer injectors are created equal! What about yours

Unfortunately, many of the more popular fertilizer injectors on the market today are NOT proportioning at all, including the ever popular, much advertised, hand-held hose-end feeder from Miracle Gro®. Part way through the watering, you're basically applying colored water and not fertilizer at all. With these small inefficient hand-held applicators, most of the concentrated fertilizer mixture is applied in the first few minutes of operation. Also, if you have the type of fertilizer injector that has you adding *dry* fertilizer directly into the additive tank without premixing it with water, your injector is also probably NOT proportioning. Here's what maybe happening inside the tank. Water keeps coming into the tank at the bottom, mixing with the fertilizer in the tank, thereby diluting it. The longer you operate your irrigation system, the more dilute the concentrate in the tank becomes. Maybe that's why some of your plants may be doing well, while others are yellowing due to lack of proper nutrition.

Both the ASAE* award-winning **Add-It®** and the **Green Machine Pro®**, are proportioning injectors. They always have been, always will be. This means, from start to finish, all of your plants being irrigated will receive the same amount of fertilizer. Designed and patented over 15 years ago, they were designed and developed for the agricultural, commercial, greenhouse, golf course, and residential areas to apply fertilizer easily, efficiently, and economically. You may use *any* dry, totally water-soluble, readily available, fertilizer on the market today such as Scotts Miracle Gro® or Peters Professional®, when premixed with water, and save even more! Also, you may want to consider adding a wetting agent to assist in breaking up compacted soils, micro-nutrients and Vitamin Institute's SUPERthrive™ containing vitamins and hormones for healthier plants, and vitamin B-1 when transplanting trees and shrubs.

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