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## **Planting Onion Sets**

Plant 6-8 weeks before killing frost in spring when soil temps are 50 degrees or above.

Plant onion sets 3" apart and 1:" deep

Can be planted at 2 week intervals

For green onions harvest when tops are about 10" high 4-6 weeks after planting or use whatever onions you thin out as green onions

For bulbs pull onions when tops fall over maturity about 100 days

Allow to dry on top of the soil (if weather permits) for several days.

Tops and outer scales should be completely dry. The tops can be spread over the bulb to prevent sunburn. After the bulbs are cured they should be topped.

Storage should be temps around 32 degrees and dry humidity

Fertilizer should be applied to soil before planting sets.  
0.2 lbs. of nitrogen for each 100 square feet.

Side dress with 1 ½ ounces of phosphate when onion are 12" tall or the bulbs begin to form.

Soil moisture should be about 70%

How to know that?

Dig down 6" get a handful of soil. Squeeze it into a ball if it forms a hard ball and your hand feels like it has a film of water on it and the soil is sticky the soil moisture is 70% or above. If there is not a film of water on you hand the soil moisture is below 70% and it needs watering.