It's hard to believe how quickly the emerald ash borer became established throughout the Central Region and across the U.S. Now, the damage they inflict has become a significant management challenge for golf courses.

To avoid striking out during another spring transition, five proactive management strategies will help it manage this common condition.

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The sprinklers used on golf courses are designed to distribute water as evenly as possible. But it doesn't provide enough moisture for the turf. The Golfer Video

You’ve probably seen superintendents using moisture meters and hand watering, but there's another effective tool they frequently use that you've probably never noticed. Find out how using wetting agents to help manage golf course water use and improve playing conditions.

That Improves Playing Conditions

Research You Should Know

Factors To Consider When Developing A Wetting Agent Program

There is a seemingly endless pipeline of new wetting agents available. You've probably noticed the increased number of products with wetting agents as a key ingredient. Before selecting one, it is important to understand the strengths, weaknesses and management considerations that make a product better suited for a particular site than others.

While there are no perfect turfgrasses, some are better suited for a particular site than others. How you plan to use your turfgrass is the key to choosing the right one. Superintendents are constantly testing new products fit best in your wetting agent program can through manufacturer claims to determine which products fit best in your program.