

# TURF TWISTERS

## FUNGICIDES – COMBINE THEM

**Question:** The systemic fungicides are doing a good job at my course. Is there any reason to spray with any other fungicide? (Conn.)

**Answer:** By all means continue to use other fungicides in conjunction with your systemics. Even though the systemics do a good job, there are diseases that are not completely controlled with their use. Tests at a university show that the best results are achieved by using systemics in combination with regular fungicides.

## CHINCH BUGS – CONTROL THEM

**Question:** Will chinch bugs attack bermudagrass? (Texas)

**Answer:** It has not been a problem in the past, as far as we know, but recently there have been reports of them in the south central areas of Austin and San Antonio. Trithion has been used to eliminate the ones present. We don't know how extensively this pest may develop, so keep close watch on your greens especially.

## OVERSEED SEED – TREAT THEM

**Question:** Is it true that treated seed will be available this fall for bermudagrass overseeding? (North Carolina)

**Answer:** Yes, the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) has approved the treatment of cool season grass seed for fall overseeding to reduce seedling diseases. Experimental results have been very gratifying although treated seed will be more expensive. However, this may solve a lot of our problems in establishing a winter overseeding.