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The USGA Green Section is divided into eight regions staffed by agronomists who work with golf facilities on care of the golf course. USGA agronomists provide regular regional updates outlining current issues and observations from the field. Be sure to view updates from multiple regions as featured ideas, techniques and solutions to problems often apply to other parts of the country.

#### NORTHEAST REGION

Last-minute winter preparations are underway at golf courses throughout the region. Learn how proactive, preventive strategies like temporarily raising mowing heights, improving surface drainage and addressing shade issues can help your golf course prepare for another winter.

#### MID-ATLANTIC REGION

The growing season has come to an end for much of the Mid-Atlantic Region, but there are still important precautions that may reduce winter-injury potential. Although time-sensitive and difficult to schedule, learn how properly applied preventive snow mold products may help your turf emerge from winter unscathed.

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#### SOUTHEAST REGION

As another season wraps up for much of the Southeast Region, now is a great time to reflect on the trends and events that took place during 2014. This week's regional update highlights three stories from 2014 that we hope you find instructive as we approach the new year.

#### FLORIDA REGION

The winter golf season has been ramping up throughout the Florida Region, and the combination of increased traffic and cooler temperatures is causing some turf to appear off-color. Traffic-management strategies are critical, but to reduce turf damage effort must be given by the staff and golfers alike.

#### NORTH-CENTRAL REGION

Warm-season grasses have transitioned to dormancy in most, if not all, of the North-Central Region. But despite what many golfers think, the off-color grass is not dead. However, a fresh coat of turf colorant can make all the difference to golfers that play on dormant, warm-season grasses.

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#### MID-CONTINENT REGION

When it comes to trees, understand that each and every tree on a golf course adds to the course's maintenance costs. There are a number of added expenses that many golf facilities fail to fully consider.

#### NORTHWEST REGION

Golf courses in Western Canada and the Pacific Northwest share several similarities, but there are also key differences that make managing golf courses on both sides of the border unique. Learn more about the similarities and differences of golf course maintenance on both sides of the border in this regional update.

#### SOUTHWEST REGION

Are you concerned about bicarbonate levels in your irrigation water reducing the water infiltration rate of your putting green soils? USGA-funded research from the University of Wisconsin-Madison investigated this issue, - and you may find the results surprising.

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