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### **Regional Updates**





Playing conditions are off to a good start, but warm temperatures and timely rainfall throughout the West Region have accelerated turf growth. Here is what you can expect whether you are in Southern California, the Intermountain Region or the Pacific Northwest.

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### **Northeast Region**

Does the early spring weather have you eager to dust off your golf clubs? While the recent warm weather is great for an early season round of golf, it also can be burdensome for the superintendent at your course.

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### **Central Region**

Do you want to save money and provide golfers with a superior product? Follow the 10-percent rule when calibrating your sprayer.

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### **Southeast Region**

While millions of basketball fans are busy filling out their brackets, golf course superintendents are preparing for the madness that marks the beginning of the growing season.





### In Case You Missed It

The March 4, 2016 issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* is your go-to source for information about course setup.

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### **Coming Up Next Issue**

From large corporations to families in suburbia, budgeting is something nearly everyone does to plan the use of financial resources and avoid falling into debt. But have you ever thought of creating budgets for other resources? Creating a water budget is something every golf course should do to better understand water use, make more informed irrigation decisions and plan for the future. Plus, creating a water budget is easier than you might think. Learn more in the April 1, 2016 issue of the USGA *Green Section Record*.

### Latest From Course Care



## BMP Case Study: Drought-Tolerant Grasses in Rough

Carolina Golf Club removed nearly 20 acres of turf, in its place establishing low-maintenance native roughs. However, native doesn't always mean fine fescue. Read more about how they were able to provide the desired "native" look of fine fescues with the help of natural selection and plant material that is better adapted to local conditions.

### They Need Time to Get it Done

Golfers want their course available when they want to play. Closing the course or delaying play for maintenance is never popular – members at private courses feel inconvenienced while public and daily-fee courses lose revenue when customers play neighboring courses. However, providing adequate time to complete essential maintenance tasks is critical for presenting a wellconditioned golf course that meets expectations on a consistent basis.

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### Course Care Video: Choosing Which Tees to Play

Tee selection is critical to ensuring golfers experience an enjoyable round and maintain



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proper pace of play. While there are no rules covering tee selection, there are guidelines to help make the decision easier. all of your agronomic course consulting needs. For more information, visit the <u>USGA Course</u> <u>Consulting Service</u> on USGA.org.

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