

Regional Updates



West Region

Converting large areas of cool-season turf to warm-season grasses can yield significant playability benefits and water savings, but during winter there are some noticeable side effects.

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Northeast Region

Mild winter weather has everyone thinking spring. If these temperatures continue, superintendents can expect a push from golfers to get courses prepared and open as soon as possible.

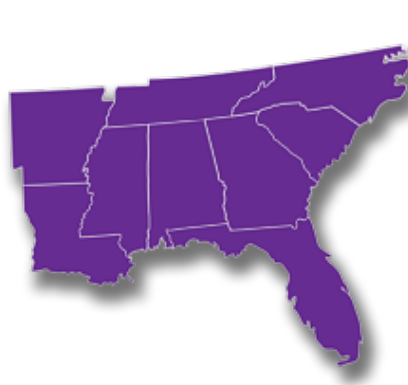
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Central Region

Deep rootzone modification is often performed by contract aeration companies because of the need for specialized equipment. However, this process can be performed in-house if only small areas require attention.

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Southeast Region

Even under good growing conditions, common bermudagrass provides a poor playing surface. Frequent rains this winter are leading to some downright terrible common bermudagrass conditions throughout the Southeast.

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In Case You Missed It

Keeping pests at bay on a golf course is challenging, especially when pesticides do not perform as expected. While superintendents might wonder about timing, rate or possible resistance when an application doesn't have the desired effect, water quality can also play an important role. The February 7, 2020, issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* focused on water quality and pesticide interactions and provided detailed steps for addressing possible issues.

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Coming Up Next Issue

For many superintendents, hiring and retaining a reliable maintenance staff is the number one concern heading into each golf season. It's increasingly difficult to fill positions and the cost of labor is rising. The March 6, 2020, issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* highlights various strategies currently being used by superintendents around the country to build a high-quality and reliable maintenance staff in today's increasingly challenging labor market.

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Industry Update



Recapping The 2020 Golf Industry Show

It was great to see many of you at the 2020 Golf Industry Show. Catch some of the highlights, including celebrating the Green Section's 100th anniversary and a panel discussion about critical putting green management practices.

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100th Anniversary



From The Vault: Winterkilling Of Turf

Winter injury on putting greens has long been a concern for superintendents. Revisit this Green Section article from 1923 that contains many of the same questions, concerns and recommendations that we discuss today.

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