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Regional Updates



West Region

Golfers often ask, "Why are the greens so wet?" In many circumstances the greens are not overwatered but still seem soft and wet. What causes this situation? Here are three reasons why greens may seem wet when they really aren't.

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Northeast Region

A change in the weather is desperately needed to help golf facilities recover from a difficult season. The bright side of a bad year is the opportunity to evaluate your facility and make necessary improvements that will reduce the likelihood of similar issues in the future.

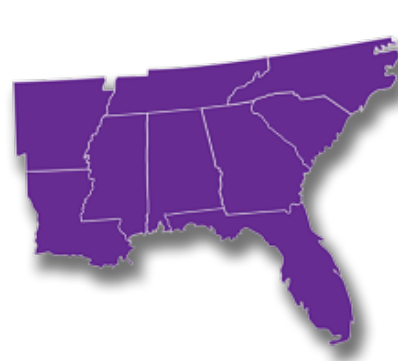
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Central Region

When labor is in short supply and time is limited, having the right tools for a major maintenance operation, such as core aeration, is crucial. Here are three ways golf facilities use specialized equipment to fast track aeration.

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Southeast Region

Many golfers understand that the intent of core aeration is to produce better playing surfaces. However, they may not understand the tactics used by golf course superintendents to perform this task each fall.

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In Case You Missed It

The September 02, 2016 issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* is your go-to source for information about achieving firm, healthy playing conditions with golf course drainage.

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Coming Up Next Issue

Most golfers enjoy playing well-manicured golf courses, but have you ever thought about what it takes to create high-quality playing surfaces? Superintendents use a vast amount of complex technologies every day. Learn more about the advances in high-tech golf course equipment in the October 7, 2016 issue of the USGA *Green Section Record*.

Latest From Course Care



Case Study: Drainage Installation Improves Soft Putting Greens

The greens at Montclair Golf Club in West Orange, N.J. are soil-based and date to the 1920s. Poor drainage had made playing conditions increasingly inconsistent and rendered routine maintenance nearly impossible. However, these aggressive cultural practices improved putting conditions without complete green reconstruction.

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Fore The Golfer: Wet conditions are not good for the game

Ever hit a drive to find that the ball stopped just feet from where it landed? Do your ball marks resemble moon craters? Having trouble taking wedge shots without hitting the ball fat? While wet, overwatered turf may be aesthetically pleasing, it contributes to poor playability. Learn the benefits of healthy, modestly watered playing surfaces.

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Video: Topdressing on Golf Courses

Want to make more putts and get more distance off the tee? Sand topdressing is your answer. Learn what superintendents already know - sand topdressing improves playing conditions and turf health.

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Quiz: Ball Mark Repair

Did you realize that there is a correct method to repair a ball mark? Correctly repairing ball marks is not only good etiquette, it helps putting greens quickly heal from daily play. Test your knowledge of proper ball mark repair by taking this informative quiz.

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