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## Regional Updates



### West Region

Ever mishit a bunker shot from compacted sand, found your ball buried in a bunker face, or been frustrated when your ball comes to rest in wet sand? Most golfers know that not all bunkers play the same, but do you know why?

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### Northeast Region

Good playing conditions throughout the Northeast are leading to increased rounds and happy golfers. Just be sure to keep an eye out for pest damage. After this week's warm temperatures it may become more evident.

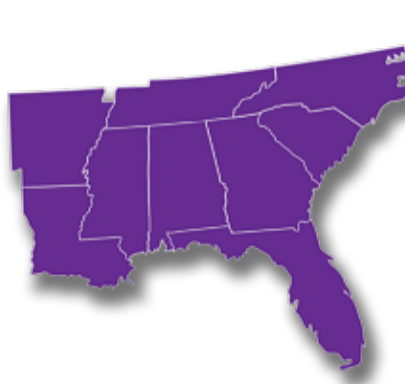
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### Central Region

Periodic flushing is an important practice for managing salt accumulation in putting green root zones, but how much water is needed to truly flush a USGA putting green? The answer may have you reevaluating your flushing program.

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### Southeast Region

When unsightly scalping marks unexpectedly appear on ultradwarf bermudagrass putting greens, ask yourself: is there a mower setup problem? Is there a height-of-cut issue? Or is the turf trying to tell me something?

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### In Case You Missed It

The first day of summer is right around the corner, but the turf on a golf course may not share your excitement. Fortunately, the June 2, 2017, issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* will help ease summer's burden on turf so playing surfaces remain healthy all season.

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### Coming Up Next Issue

For doctors and golf course superintendents alike, managing diseases is challenging. Success requires a breadth of knowledge and an awareness of resistance. However, many factors influence fungicide resistance. The July 7, 2017, issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* will explain fungicide resistance, how it develops and the prevention tactics used by superintendents.

## Latest From Course Care



### Case Study: New Irrigation System Improves Playing Conditions

A new irrigation system is expensive, but Rockland Country Club in Sparkill, N.Y., was able to realize a return on investment through improved turf health and reduced maintenance costs. When part of a comprehensive master plan, a new irrigation system is just one investment that can help refresh aging golf courses.

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### USGA Turf Minutes: Championship Conditions Vs. Daily Play

Every year, USGA championships are contested on golf courses with difficult playing conditions that are intended to challenge the world's greatest golfers. While championship conditions may look like fun on television, this exclusive glimpse at championship preparations explains why they are not always practical on a daily basis.

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### Revisions To USGA Putting Green Construction Recommendations

The USGA periodically revises The USGA Recommendations for a Method of Putting Green Construction to ensure the industry has a lasting, repeatable method of putting green construction. Here is a brief overview of the revision process detailing how modern techniques and technologies are evaluated so the Recommendations remain current and viable.

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### Why Are Putting Greens Watered During The Day?

If you have not already noticed superintendents hand-watering this year, you probably will as summer progresses. Hand-watering is done for several reasons, but the ultimate goal is to provide healthy playing conditions while responsibly managing water resources. Discover the benefits of hand-watering even with an automatic irrigation system.

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