

A Guide To Selecting The Right Bunker Sand For Your Course

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a few frequently asked questions about bunker sand.

Selecting a bunker sand that is best suited to your specific needs is critical to producing and maintaining quality playing conditions and maximizing bunker longevity. The two properties of bunker sand that will most influence performance are particle size distribution and sand shape. Factors such as drainage, cost, vulnerability to wind and water erosion, crusting potential, chemical stability, and color all require consideration as well. This article summarizes nine key bunker sand characteristics, provides practical sand selection guidelines, and answers

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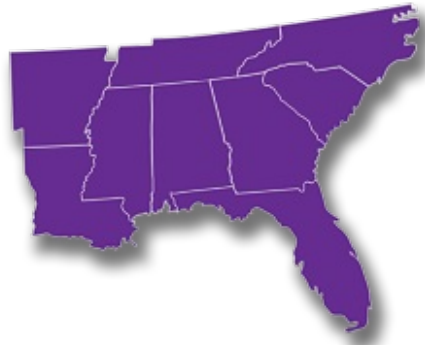
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