

New MACH 2 rates approved

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Dow AgroSciences has gained a newly approved federal label for MACH 2 that states that all white grub larvae can be treated at two pounds of active ingredient (halofenozide) per acre. The previous label specified a range of one and a half to two pounds of active ingredient per acre de-

pending on the grub.

“Often it’s a challenge to tell the difference between grub species. With the new label, all labeled grubs can now be treated at the 2-pound rate,” said product marketing manager Chris Wooley. The new rate is based upon efficacy performance from field trials conducted within the last year.

TifSport

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mid-March, but once you hit it with fertilizer, it responds faster and you end up with a better playing surface a couple of weeks earlier.

“We had no problems getting the course greened up for the tournament this year,” Lawrence continued. “Although the roughs

are a bit inconsistent because it is still a bit early in the growing season.”

MANAGING AN AGGRESSIVE TURF

According to Lawrence, TifSport is an extremely aggressive turf.

“It is a tighter growing turf with a more upright growth habit and a



The 18th hole at TPC at Wakefield Plantation.

Balanced Chain Methylene Urea is a top fertilizer performer

(the key is in the balance)



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finer leaf texture,” he said. “It gives you a better playing surface and darker green color. However, as it matures I see us having to keep this growth habit in check to keep it from getting thatchy.”

Since Lawrence was still treating the course as a grow-in last year, this is the first season

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where he will get into a regular program of core aerifying, verticutting, applying Primo plant growth regulator and reducing fertility.

“I am still finalizing my program for TifSport but I will do at least a couple verticuts and core aerifications this year on fairways and roughs,” Lawrence said. “I will be a little more aggressive on tees because they are sand-based and our fairways are on clay. I want to keep the tee surface really firm.”

When it comes to controlling growth Lawrence turns to Primo plant growth regulator which he applies three times a summer. He will also switch to a slow-release fertilizer and reduce levels from six pounds of nitrogen to four.

“So far the difference between TifSport and 419 in terms of fertility has been hard to tell because we were in grow-in and trying to create a good playing surface last year,” said Lawrence. “Now that we have been open for two years, we can fertilize the TifSport a little less because it holds its color very well and responds to lower levels of fertility.” ■

Cleaning intakes

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slowly remove the suction line while cleaning the intake piping for a second time.

When the piping is clean, the screen is then cleaned and replaced on the end of the intake pipe. “We have found some crazy things at some jobs – from golf clubs to rain boots,” said DiIulio.

A cleaning averages between \$2,500 and \$3,500 depending on the travel and mileage costs to get to the job, said DiIulio. ■