HOW TO USE TURFACE FOR TURF MAINTENANCE

Since compaction is always a problem on greens, a good maintenance programme is important. Top dressing with Turface will help to ensure a friable soil, good drainage, and optimum root development of the turf.

A. Straight Top Dressing

Aerify, remove plugs, and apply Turface through a spreader, using one bag for each 250 square feet of surface area.

With reverse side of rake, pushbroom, or drag screen, work Turface into turf and aerification holes.

Verticut machine may be used before Turface application, to provide additional avenues of entry into the soil. Turfacing is recommended twice or more a year (once a year for Turface-built greens).

B. Surface Levelling by Top Dressing

Greens develop low areas which need to be relevelled. A soil mixture similar to that in the green plus Turface can be used to facilitate excellent drainage.

Premix 1/3 Turface with 2/3 soil. Soil may be mixture of sand and peat or sandy loam. Verticut area to remove thatch, and apply Turface mix to area in regular levelling manner.

FORMULAS

The following formula is used to determine the number of Turface bags necessary for construction when depth of mix in inches, per cent Turface, and square feet are known :

Bags = .0007 x Depth x Per Cent xSquare Footage.

Example

5000 sq. ft. green 15% Turface desired to a 4" depth. Bags = $.0007 \times 4 \times 15 \times 5000$ Bags = 210 If, however, a greenkeeper wishes to put so many bags into a green to a certain depth, the following formula is used to determine the percentage Turface in the mixture:

Percentage Turface in Mixture = $1550 \times Bags \div Depth \times Square$ Footage.

Example

150 Turface Bags

6000 sq. ft. green

4" depth to be conditioned

Percent Turface in Mixture

 $=1550 \ge 150 \div 4 \ge 6000$

 $=232,500 \div 24,000$

=9.7 or 10%

This means that if 150 bags of Turface are worked into a 6000 sq. ft. green, the top 4 inches of soil will be conditioned with 10% Turface, by volume.



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July

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