

To summarize, Tersan 1991 did control Fusarium blight at a 5 oz. per M rate if it is applied when early wilt shows. Control seemed to last 3 to 4 weeks, but changing weather conditions made it difficult to determine how long we were getting control. Heavy and frequent irrigation is required even if a fungicide is used. However, the heavy irrigation is causing significant increases in our Poa population. In the past four years Fusarium blight has progressed from a minor disease problem to a major problem and it appears earlier in the season each year. In my opinion it is not feasible to chemically control Fusarium on fairways for an entire season as the cost would be staggering. If control was required through July and August only, a fungicide program should be considered. Resistant grass varieties seem to be the only real solution to Fusarium blight on my course. In the May, 1977 issue of Weeds, Trees and Turf there is an article entitled Reflections on Fusarium Blight by Dr. Richard W. Smiley that is very informative.

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