

## Fairway Mowing Questionnaire

Today with so many people mowing their fairways with light weight units and still so many others who are not but may be thinking of doing so, I thought that a questionnaire would help answer the many questions that arise. I would like all of you who are mowing with light weight equipment to take the time to answer the following questions and then send this page to me. I will compile the answers and in another issue run the results.

1. What machines are you using? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many machines are you using to mow fairways? (You may have 4, but only use 3) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Diesel or Gas (circle)
4. Number of cutting units the machine has: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Type of cutting unit: Floating head or fixed? (circle)
6. Number of blades in reel? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Roller type? Wiehle, full roller, swedged (circle)
8. Do you weigh the cutting units? Yes No
9. Number of manhours to cut one acre of fairway? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Number of acres of fairways that you mow? \_\_\_\_\_
11. How often does a fairway get cut? \_\_\_\_\_
12. How many machines do you use when mowing fairways? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Are these machines used to also mow other areas, such as tees? Yes No
14. What height of cut do you mow your fairways? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you collect clippings? Yes No  
If yes, do you do it at all times? Yes No  
If no, when do you not? \_\_\_\_\_
16. If you collect clippings — how do you dispose of them? Spread in roughs, haul to dumpster, haul to dump (circle)  
other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. If you collect clippings, what equipment do you use to dispose of them? \_\_\_\_\_
18. What is your cost of disposal? Weekly \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly \_\_\_\_\_
19. About how many manhours does your mechanic need per week to service and repair these units? \_\_\_\_\_
20. How many extra cutting units/reels do you have on hand as spares? \_\_\_\_\_
21. What were your start up costs to go to light weight mowing? \_\_\_\_\_
22. What machine would you change to today for mowing your fairways if budget was no object. \_\_\_\_\_  
Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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