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Winter's toll on bermudagrass established

The past winter was one of the most severe on record, especially from the standpoint of turfgrasses, bermudagrass in particular. Some assessments of injury in the northern most limits for successful bermudagrass culture have estimated damages as high as 20-50 percent winterkill.

Many turf areas were either exposed to cold dry winds or were covered with a layer of ice. The exposed areas tended to suffer winter dessication while the ice covered turf may have suffered from ice encasement. Some ice related damage was observed on several golf course greens as a result of gouging the turf in an attempt to remove the ice cover. Adequate levels of potassium and phosphorus are important in the winter survival of bermudagrass. Many areas sampled showed a deficiency. Soil tests also indicated that winterkill was greatest where the pH was lowest. When the pH drops below the optimum 6.5 for turf, the availability of potassium, phosphorus and other plant nutrients is effected.

When nitrogen was applied late in the fall to keep the grass green longer, winter hardiness was decreased. High nitrogen applied thusly stimulates plant growth at the expense of tissue hydration and decreased carbohydrate levels. Past winters have been relatively mild and dangers have been minimal. Not so this past winter!

Exposure also contributed greatly to the winterkill. The greatest amounts were observed on northern slopes where little or no snow accumulated. Heavily trafficked areas were obsered to suffer more damage than adjacent areas with little or no traffice.

Up until the middle of May it was very difficult to determine the extent of injury to a bermudagrass stand. In many cases, recovery of the bermudagrass comes from crowns or rhizomes instead of from stolons. This takes longer and resulted in extremely slow spring green-up in some areas.



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ARS releases findings from Beltsville Center

Bermudagrass mutagens

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Bluegrass hybrids

Three Kentucky bluegrass hybrids, selected for seed increase after second year test data, are being tested further. Open-pollinated progeny of 230 fineleaf fescues and 190 tall fescues are being evaluated under turf management conditions.

Chinch bugs

Methods for rearing and storing chinch bugs in the laboratory for evaluating turfgrasses for resistance have been developed. Preliminary tests are being conducted with several Kentucky bluegrass cultivars to determine the most efficient and reliable screening procedures. So far, these tests have shown that a large reduction in top growth occurs before other visible symptoms of injury appear.

Crabgrass control

Plots established in a 10-year old turf in 1974 were preemergently treated three successive years for crabgrass control. The turfg was mainly red fescue with a little Kentucky bluegrass. Seven herbicidal treatments controlled crabgrass adequately. These included benefin, bensulide, butralin, DCPA, profluralin, and prosuffalin. Stands of turfgrasses appeared to be somewhat thinner and/or slight discoloration was noted in some years within a month after treatment with bensulide, butralin, and profluralin. The proportion of Kentucky bluegrass by September of the third year increased from 3 percent in the check plots to 30 to 45 percent in plots treated with benefin, butralin, DCPA, and profluralin.

A trend toward increases of Kentucky bluegrass in other treatments was observed, but was not statistically significant.

Winter hardiness

Arizona common, Tufcote, Tifgreen, and Midiron bermudagrasses are being evaluated to determine winterhardiness and turf quality as related to two potash levels and three nitrogen rates and sources. Treatments consist of 3, 6 and 9 lb. N/M applied as NH₄NO₃ (1 lb. N/M May-June-July, and 1 or $1\frac{1}{2}$ lb. N/M each month from May to October) or 9 lb. N/M as UF or IBDU in May. Muriate of potash is added according to soil test results to maintain a high (140-160 lb. K₂O/A) and a low (60-80 lb. K₂O/A) potassium level. Potassium applications are made in late summer when night temperatures became cooler but before the first frost.

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