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PRODUCT UPDATE

MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE



LABB Systems/Software has released a new version of its TRIMS Grounds Management Software designed specifically for golf course and grounds maintenance superintendents.

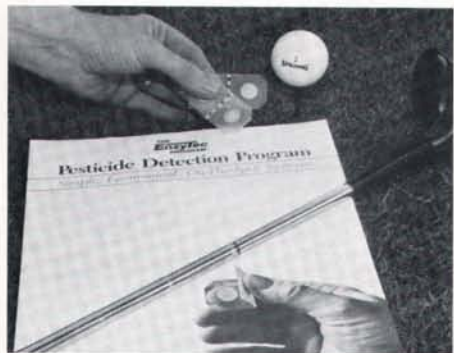
Included in the software are programs for seed/chemical cost estimates, sprayer calibrations, labor hour reporting, personnel records, project cost analysis, budget reporting, spare parts/fuel inventory, work orders, purchase orders, maintenance scheduling, and irrigation management.

Program screens are selected from a menu and perform their functions by guiding the operator through each process. Pop-up "help" screens and a comprehensive, easy-to-read manual assist the user.

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INSECTICIDE EXPOSURE TEST



Golf course superintendents can monitor applicator exposure to insecticides in three minutes with a test kit from EnzyTec, Inc. Originally developed by Midwest Research Institute under contract from the U.S. Army, the test detects 80 percent of the insecticides registered for use in the U.S.; namely the carbamate, thiophosphate, and organophosphate insecticides.

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The product is a simple, compact "testing ticket" which—within three minutes—can detect the presence or absence of these pesticides in a range of one to ten parts per million, or parts per billion if so desired. The "ticket" detects pesticides in air, water, soil and other surfaces, depending on the technique used.

The system can be purchased in kit form with varying quantities of testing tickets, from ten to 100. Tickets are also available in bulk quantities, and instructions are included with each kit.

According to Elizabeth Burke, marketing manager for EnzyTec, the system can be used several ways by golf and grounds maintenance personnel. For example, it offers an efficient way for workers applying

insecticides to monitor the need for changing filters in respirators.

"Placed inside the facemask, away from the nose and mouth, the detector disc allows an applicator to check the effectiveness of his respirator filter, and, specifically, lets him know when to change it," said Burke.

The product can be used to test ponds for pesticide runoff, to test for insecticide efficacy in soils, to monitor spills, and to ensure safe storage and handling. The test can also provide superintendents with a method of monitoring exposure of golfers to the insecticide products applied to a golf course during the golfing season.

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