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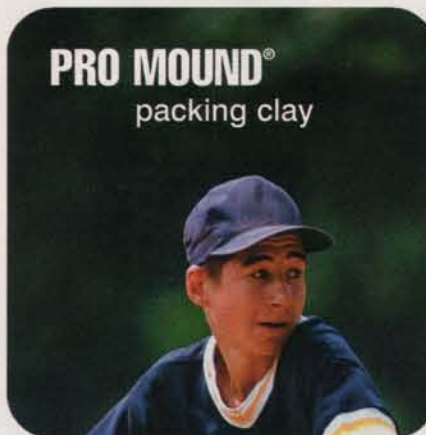
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Dakota Analytical/800-424-3443
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Checklists:

important field maintenance & safety program tools

BY SUZ TRUSTY

An ounce of prevention really is worth a pound of cure. The most important aspect of athletic field maintenance within today's litigious environment is safety—of both the field users and the facility. A comprehensive field management program focuses on preventive measures to reduce safety risks and protect the facility in areas of liability.

Three basic principles apply to both establishing the maintenance and safety program and to its execution: reasonable, prudent and consistent. A reasonable program is sensible and based on sound judgment. A prudent program exercises that sound judgment in practical matters, including as it concerns ones' own interests. A consistent program always holds to the same principles or practices.

This applies even if the facility has a limited budget for equipment, supplies, and personnel—if the program is conducted in the best possible manner with what is available—and the execution of the program is consistent with the established principles and practices.

Staff members must not only be able to observe overall field conditions, but also the multiple small details that are involved. These individuals must be equipped to handle the assigned maintenance and to recognize hazards and potentially unsafe conditions. A daily field inspection form (Figure 1) helps guide personnel in completing maintenance tasks, serves as a reminder to conduct all safety inspections, and provides a record that both have been done.

Problems that can be easily rectified should be corrected immediately. If a problem can't be fixed immediately by the crew, the crew leader should be instructed to note all the information on the form and report the problem to his or her supervisor. The supervisor would then be required to assign personnel to correct the situation and to document that the problem was rectified on a specific date and time, and by whom.

Checking it twice

Problems, and changes that may lead to problems, can be more difficult to recognize when personnel see the same facility on a daily or nearly daily basis. It's important to augment crew members' regular daily inspections with periodic inspections by a supervisor or non-staff safety auditor.

A checklist helps guide this inspection and record that it has been conducted (Figure 2). The inspector would use the form to record both areas that meet facility standards and areas that don't. Any problems noted on the form would be assigned for correction. Again, all details would be recorded, including the date and time the problem was rectified and by whom.

These procedures are important elements of a reasonable, prudent and consistent field maintenance and safety program. If necessary, the checklists provide documentation that will state the facility's case during legal action.

Figure 1

**City of Carrollton Parks & Recreation
WEEKLY FIELD MAINTENANCE SAFETY AUDIT**

COMPLEX: _____
DATE: _____
INSPECTOR: _____

Check each box "NO" if repairs are not necessary. If the answer is "YES" write a comment about each problem in the "COMMENTS" space provided at the end of each section. All boxes checked "YES" should be scheduled for repair and dated after repair is made. This form should only be used once, on the date listed at the top.

YES	NO	SKINNED AREAS	Repair date and field number to be repaired.
		Soil - too loose to provide good running traction.	
		Soil - surface is not loose enough around sliding zones for safe sliding, too abrasive.	
		Soil - too compacted to provide good drainage.	
		Running Paths/ Sliding Zones - have become worn near bases.	
		Batters Box Home Plate Area - have become worn and needs to be reconditioned.	
		Pitcher's Mound - has become worn and needs to be reconditioned.	
		Bases - do not seat properly with ground elevation or are seated loosely.	
		Infield Area - has low spots, holes or is not level and should be regraded.	
		Soil Buildup - there is a hazardous lip between the skinned area and the turf.	
		Skinned Areas - have unsafe wet spots and/or puddles.	
COMMENTS:			

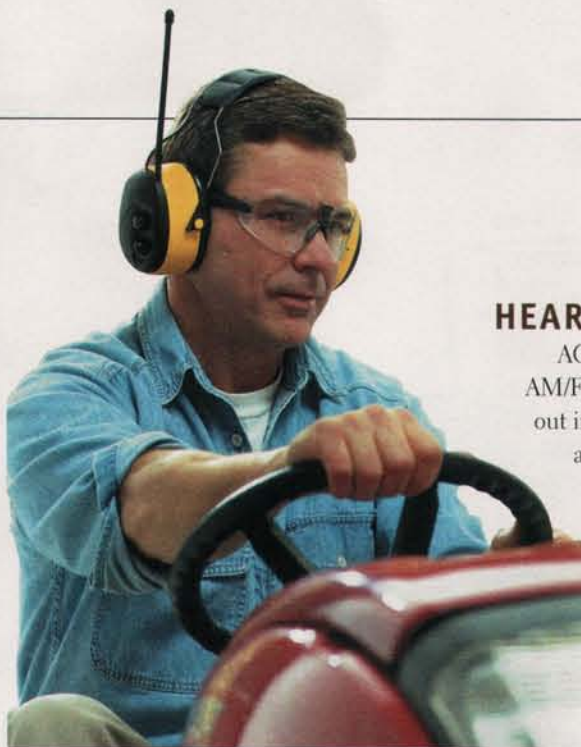
YES	NO	PLAYING SURFACES	Repair date and field number to be repaired.
		Litter and Unsafe debris - is scattered around the field and player spectator areas.	
		Waste Containers - supply and location is inadequate.	
		Sprinkler Heads - in the field are below grade or have sharp edges or protrusions.	
		Accidents - there have been reports about players running into surrounding objects.	
		Field Design - our facility does not comply with industry recommended specifications.	Last Checked: / /
		Bare Spots - hard soil surface exposed.	
		Soil Sub Surface - is roughly graded or drains too poorly.	
		Turf - texture, density, or height is not uniform making an unsafe running surface.	
		Thatch - excessive thatch is causing turf to be lumpy and unsafe to run on.	
		Vegetation - there are weeds with thorns, bristles, or bars in the turf.	
		Gopher, Woodchucks, Armadillos - there are animal mounds and holes in the area.	
		Tire Rats - there are hazardous tire rats in turf.	
COMMENTS:			

Figure 2

SCHOOLS	TYPE	SPORTS/CLUB	ADDITIONAL USE	PREPARED (YES/NO)	MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE	INSPECTED (YES/NO)	DATE	BY WHOM	REMARKS	REPAIR DATE	REPAIR BY WHOM	REMARKS
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Benny SW												
Benny NE												
Benny NW												
Glen Flora S												
Glenwood E												
Glenwood W												
Jefferson NW												
Jefferson SW												
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McAree SW												
McAree NE												
McCall NE												
McCall NW												
Webster NE												
Webster SE												
Webster SW												
Weiss												
Waukegan East												
Waukegan West												

CREW LEADER: _____ EMPLOYEE: _____
SIGNATURE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____ SUPERVISOR: _____

Suz Trusty is communications director for the Sports Turf Managers Association, 800-323-3875 or www.sportsturfmanager.com.



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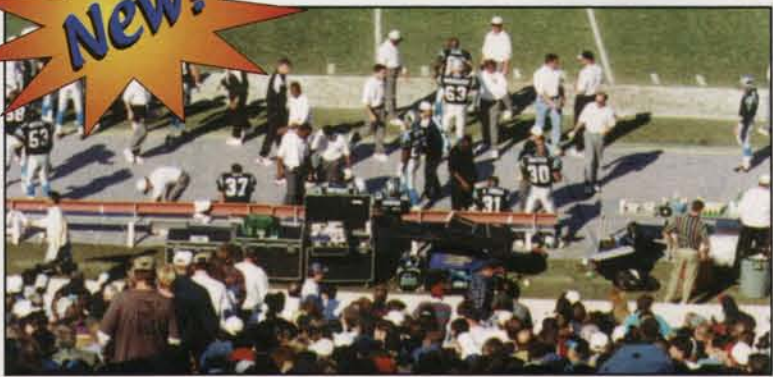
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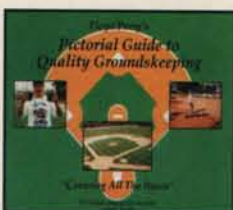
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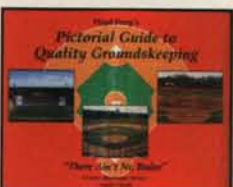
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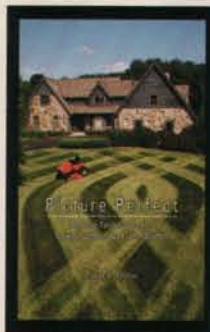


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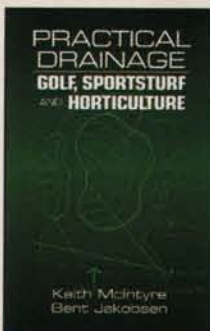
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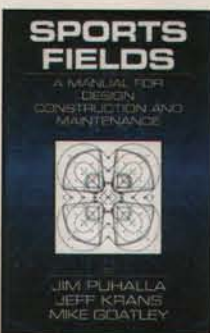


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Georgia Sports Turf Managers Association: GA-STMA participated in their first official event as a chapter with a booth and members conducting educational sessions at the Georgia Recreation and Parks Association (GRPA) Facilities & Grounds Section Field Day that was held June 26 at Lost Mountain Park. For information on the chapter or upcoming events, contact Lori Turek at 770-509-3663 or gastma@earthlink.net.

Pacific Northwest Sports Turf Managers Association: PNWSTMA is in the process of planning a Field Day at the Mariners for August 19. More details will be announced soon.

For information on the chapter or upcoming events, contact in Washington, Jay Warnick at JayW@Seahawks.com or in Oregon, Mike Wagner at MWagner@Oregon.UOregon.edu.

Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association: The Colorado Chapter is planning a Summer Workshop in the City of Aurora on July 9. Soccer, football, baseball, and softball field maintenance issues will be covered.

The CSTMA 2002 Lawnmower Man Open golf tournament will be held at Westwoods Golf Course in Arvada on July 23.

For information on the Colorado Chapter, or upcoming activities, visit the Chapter's website—www.CSTMA.org, or call the CSTMA Chapter Hotline at 303-346-8954.

Minnesota Chapter STMA: The Minnesota Chapter challenges the Iowa Chapter to the annual "Chapter Clash" on July 12 and 13. The MSTMA Seminar on Wheels will be held August 9.

As its Community Service Project, MSTMA will be selecting a local baseball/softball field to renovate based on written entries received by the MSTMA Chapter Office. For more information contact Mike McDonald, CSFM, at tel. 612-625-6097.

For information on the Minnesota Chapter, or upcoming events, contact Jeff Hintz, Bethel College & Seminary, St. Paul, at 651-638-6075 or e-mail: j-hintz@bethel.edu.

The Florida Chapter will hold a Workshop at the Dolphins Training Camp in Davie July 16. The educational focus is on fertilization of athletic fields in Florida. The Chapter also will participate in the Florida Turfgrass Association Show to be held in Tampa September 16-18.

For information on the Florida Chapter, or pending activities, call John Mascaro at 954-341-3115.

Tennessee Valley Sports Turf Managers Association (TVSTMA): TVSTMA is planning a July 18 event at Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis. Also in the planning stages is an August event with the Tennessee Titans.

For information on the TVSTMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call Bill Marbet, Southern Athletic

Fields, Inc., at 931-380-0023 or 800-837-8062 or visit the chapter's website: www.tvstma.org.

Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association: The Iowa Chapter will participate in the Iowa Turfgrass, Nursery & Landscape Field Day will be held July 18 at the ISU Horticulture Research Station north of Ames. Registration begins at 7:30 am. Pre-registration is strongly recommended. Morning tours begin at 9:00 am. The Sports Turf Tour includes: Sand Field Fertility, Pre-emergence Weed Control, Seeded Bermuda Traffic Study, Variable Traffic Intensity Study, Summer Patch Control, Turf Painting Trial, Species Traffic Study, Kentucky Bluegrass and Fine Fescue Variety Trial, and Equipment and Product Demonstrations. Lunch will be followed by a Mower Safety Demonstration and the choice of three options: Product Demonstrations; Pesticide Applicator Training; and Turf, Weed, Disease and Insect ID.

The Chapter also is invited to take part in the First Annual "Field Day Classic" benefit golf tournament July 17 hosted by the Iowa Turfgrass Institute.



For information on the Iowa Chapter, or upcoming activities, contact Lori Westrum of The Turf Office, 515-232-8222, or fax 515-232-8228, or e-mail: Lori@iowaturfgrass.org.

Ohio Sports Turf Managers Association (OSTMA): The OSTMA chapter will take part in a Joint Golf Outing with the Ohio Lawn Care Association July 25 at Apple Valley Golf Course in Howard. The Chapter will participate in the OSU/OTF Research Field Day in Columbus August 14. The OSTMA Fall Field Day will be held at Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy in Cincinnati August 20. This event will include great educational opportunities and vendors demonstrating their newest line of sports turf equipment and supplies. The Chapter also will participate in the Paul Zwaska Ball Field Workshop to be held September 10 at the OSU Intramural complex off Lane Avenue in Columbus.

For information on the OSTMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call OSTMA Headquarters at 740-452-4541 or Boyd Montgomery at 419-885-1982; or visit the chapter's website at www.ostma.org.

Virginia Sports Turf Managers Association: The Virginia Chapter will participate in the Virginia Tech Turf and Landscape Field Day to be held on the Virginia Tech Campus in Blacksburg July 30 and 31. July 30 events include pesticide certification and recerti-

fication programs and an evening tour of the new Lane Stadium south end zone stands, suites and facilities, the tray drainage field system with TifSport bermudagrass, the Kentucky bluegrass sand-based practice fields and a visit with Virginia Tech faculty members. Events on July 31 include research and demonstration field tours and vendor/equipment displays. A Sports Turf Tour of Worsham Field's Tray Drainage System conducted by Dr. David Chalmers is offered as part of this program. For more information, contact David McKissack via email: turf1@vt.edu or at 540-231-5897.

For information on the Virginia Chapter, or other upcoming events, contact: Randy Buchanan, County of Henrico Recreation and Parks, via e-mail: buc06@co.henrico.va.us or at 804-261-8213.

North Texas Sports Turf Managers Association: The NTSTMA Chapter is planning a July Sports Field Educational Program with the main topics aeration, topdressing, soil amendments, and overseeding. The confirmed date and location will be announced soon. For information on the North Texas Chapter, or pending activities, contact Scott Piecha at 817-831-4505 or sspiecha@aol.com, or Rene Aspiron at 972-647-3393, or visit the website at www.ntstma.org.

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey: The SFMANJ Chapter will hold a Field Day at Dunham Park in Bernards Township from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm August 8. On the program are: soccer field maintenance and renovation; soil tests; Dos and Don'ts of writing specs, Equipment demos; and more.

For information on the New Jersey Chapter, or upcoming events, call Fred Castenschild at 908-722-9830 or email to mke@blast.net; or call Eleanora Murfitt, at 908-236-9118; e-mail to HQ@stmanj.org.

Michigan Sports Turf Managers Association (MiSTMA): The Michigan Chapter will participate in the MSU/MTF/MiSTMA field day which will be hosted by the MTF at Michigan State University August 13. This event will team sports turf managers and business managers with a focus on the business end of maintaining sports fields.

For information on the Chapter or pending events, contact MiSTMA Headquarters at 517-712-3407, or email Amy Fouty, University of Michigan, at fouty@umich.edu, or go to www.mistma.org to visit the chapter's new website.

MO-KAN Sports Turf Managers Association: The MO-Kan Chapter will hold a Fall Turf Management Field Day at the Pembroke Hill High School Football Stadium August 14. The program will cover maintenance and repair on high use football fields, including topdressing and renovation. There will be a field painting seminar with tips and shortcuts to get fields painted accurately and efficiently. "Hands-on" practice painting custom field logos also will be offered. Instructors include: Chuck Dixon, JL Bruce & Assoc.; Brad Fresenburg, University of Missouri; Jim Wilson, Blue Valley Schools; and field paint and equipment sales professionals.

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