

Using Foramsulfuron for Spring Transition in Overseeded Turf

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Abstract

Utilizing the new herbicides available to aid spring transition can bring dramatic improvement to bermudagrass turf over a one to two year period. Continued use allows the golf course superintendent to maintain a high quality bermudagrass base. However, if chemical transition agents, such as foramsulfuron, are initiated on a poor bermudagrass base there will be an interval of compromised turf quality. This happens due to the speed of perennial ryegrass kill versus the time required for growth and fill-in of the bermudagrass. Examples will be shown of both the short-term turf quality loss as well as long-term benefit of chemical transition in California.