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IPM PLANNING GUIDE

An integrated guide to pest management

Grubs, gray leaf spot and buckhorn plaitain got you down? These are just some of the many environmental challenges golf course superintendents face on a daily basis. Let GCSAA pave the way for relief for your property and staff with its six-step Integrated Pest Management Guide.

Produced by some of the most highly regarded turfgrass researchers in the field, the guide will help minimize the incidence of unexpected turf quality problems, improve handling of them, promote proactive solutions, and facilitate internal communication and timing, all while focusing on your particular assets.

Use this IPM Guide not only for planning, but communication and training. It is a living document and should be updated periodically. (GCSAA recommends monthly reviews.) Complete these steps in order for best results.

Want to know more?

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Although it's not a required component of your IPM plan, the Budget Worksheet can be helpful in selecting and comparing products and practices.

This electronic spreadsheet is designed to help you in a couple of ways:

- Estimate and compare costs of pesticides, fertilizers and other products
- Keep records of products applied, frequency and rates of application and total yearly costs

Materials for this step:

- Budget Instructions
- Budget Worksheet

Here's a reference that helps further explain this step:

- Sample 1 (Southern California)

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