

The Villages®

Community Development Districts Executive Golf

January 2017 Turf Talk

Happy New Year and Welcome to the 2017 golf season! We are very excited about the course playing conditions and cannot wait to see all of you out on the courses for the start of 2017. Again, December brought some great playing conditions to your executive golf courses, with warm weather..

In January, we will be ending the course closure schedule and opening all courses for normal play to accommodate as many golfers as possible and to increase everyone's opportunity to play.

It is very important since we have no course closures this month that all of you help our maintenance crews by using proper golf etiquette and practicing good golf. The smallest of things make a huge impact for everyone's enjoyment.

Please help by repairing ball marks, raking bunkers, maintain the 15 foot distance from greens and tee boxes for the reasonable accommodation passes, fill divots and selecting a tee position for your skill level. These small things impact everyone and this will help insure quality conditions on your courses and provide a good experience on the course!

Fortunately, we have only experienced a couple of frost delays so far this season and we are extremely thankful for this. Please be aware, however, when we do have frost delays on courses this is solely to protect the plants from desiccation and permanent damage.

Remaining off the playing surface is extremely important. Please be patient and wait for your starters to give the all clear before proceeding onto any turf surfaces.



Silver Lake
Hill Top
De La Vista
Chula Vista
Mira Mesa
El Diablo
El Santiago
Saddlebrook
Hawks Bay
Walnut Grove
Briarwood
Amberwood
Oakleigh
Pimlico
Churchill
Belmont

Yankee Clipper
Southern Star
Bonita Pass
Red Fish Run
Tarpon Boil
Heron
Pelican
Bogart
Bacall
Sandhill
Turtle Mound
Truman
Roosevelt
Palmetto
Sweetgum
Mangrove
Volusia
Sarasota
Escambia
Okeechobee

TURF TIP:

Frost Delay and turf:

This is caused by micro climates at leaf level falling around 32 degrees.

These cold temperatures are enough to cause cell walls in plant tissue to become brittle and break. This kills the leaf by disturbing the natural flow of nutrients and photosynthesis process.

Frost Delays are used to stop traffic from breaking plant leaves until thawing can occur.