



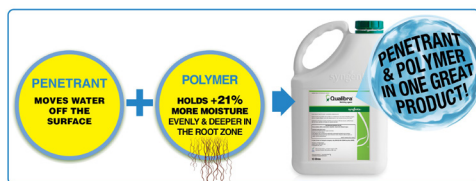
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# Winter is a wonderful opportunity

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**W**inter is a wonderful opportunity to set your course up for a fantastic season ahead.

Greens :



As most soils are below 12 degrees Celsius you have minimum root uptake during this time.

We have however seen benefits of regular spoon feeding as well as increased rooting with

low rates of Qualibra – a wetting agent allowing water to move off the surface & holding 21 % more moisture in the rootzone.

Hand removal of poa & moss is always advisable to avoid this spreading.

Check your irrigation & maintain each sprinkler. I personally prefer a 360 sprinkler on the greens & half circles on the greens surrounds.

Check the greens drainage points – ensure your greens are all freely draining – even when the dam levels rise in summer.

Add in sump pumps where greens will in fact be draining under water.

Pigments:



What a wonderful tool Ryder is. It protects the turf from heat & cold stress as well as increases the efficacy of fungicides in the tank mix.

Many world renowned professors warned us about this fantastic tool & it is unbelievable.

**Disease management:**

Autumn & early winter are your opportunity to set up your bermuda, paspalum & kikuyu for a fantastic season ahead.

This is the time to clean up your soil borne diseases to prevent them getting progressively worse each year. Most of the

Rhizoctonia diseases are spread by dead & live matter. It is imperative to get your systemic fungicide like Headway Maxx down prior to doing spring & autumn treatment.

**Irrigation:**

This is a wonderful opportunity to service each sprinkler head and ensure your system is operating well for the season ahead.

Plan ahead. Prevent fighting fires & you will reap the benefits of a great playing surface!



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## Let RYDER become your best friend this season

#AbsorbsAndReflectsUVRAYS  
#GreatLastingColour  
#ImprovingPlantHealth



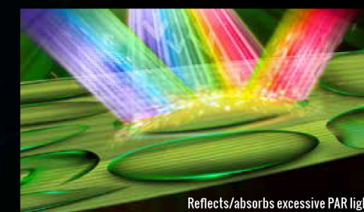
**Ryder protects your turf from the cold and keeps it GREEN throughout WINTER.**

A brilliant tool for WARM SEASON TURF during the cold winter months from April through to August/September!

Fairways – winter: Apply 2 litres/ha every 6 – 8 weeks. You could start by just spraying April & August to assist the plant into and out of winter.



Reflects/absorbs UV-light



Reflects/absorbs excessive PAR light

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