

Sports Turf Rating System

	LIGHT % shade?	WATER irrigation?	FOOD fertilized?	COLOR nutrient or pest issue?	BARE SOIL % exposed soil	WEEDS % non- turfgrass	MOWING mowing height "	FEEL OF GROUND surface firmness	TERRAIN surface drainage	INTENSITY events per day	EXPECTED QUALITY how perfect?	
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
	full sun	yes	2 or more times	green	0-25%	0-25%	2" to 4.5"	firm	adequate	2 or less	no concern	
	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
	part shade	no	1 time	evenly yellow	25-50%	25-50%	1.5" to 2"	spongy	some puddling	2-4 events	somewhat perfect	
	3		3	3	3	3						
	deep shade		none	patchy yellow	>50%	>50%	>4.5"					
					5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
					no turf	no turf	<1.5"	hard	large pools	more than 4	desiring perfection	
Site												Total across row
1												
2												
3												

Score: 11-20: continue current management unless color rating is 3 or below, or bare soil rating is 3 or 5.

21-35: reassess management program unless quality expected is less than 3.

Greater than 35: consider renovation; reassign field use; reduce expectation.