WARM AND COOL SEASON GRASS PEST OUTLOOK KENTUCKY







Transition Zone Game Fields -Kentucky

- 50% Bermuda Quickstand,
 Vamont, Midlawn, Riviera,
 Patriot
- 30% Tall Fescue –turf types
- 15% Perennial Ryegrass
- 2% Kentucky Blue (baseball)
- <1% Synthetic
- >1% nondescript

White grubs in Kentucky turfgrass



Insect Problems Almost None

 Tall Fescue & perennial ryegrass fields – none

- Kentucky bluegrass, Bermudagrass
 - Japanese Beetle, Mask Chafer
 - Geen June Beetle nuisance mostly

Green June Beetle











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Gray leaf spot of perennial ryegrass









Weeds

- Main Ky Sports Field Pest of Bermuda
 - Makes renovation difficult in spring
 - SU's not always trustworthy in bermuda
 - Need to use in early spring to lengthen bermuda season
 - Often need to control knotweed, crabgrass, Poa,
 Perennial Ryegrass and yellow nutsedge
 - Crab pre-emerge difficult to use in spring
 - Bermuda Fields -Most often need to be prepared to seed bermuda without hindrance from pre-emerge.
 - Post-emerge becomes a necessity
 - Loss of MSMA devastating







