

President's Award for Excellence

The Alabama Turfgrass Association (ATA) wishes to recognize its members for their hard work and dedication to the turfgrass industry which benefits many across Alabama and the Southeast. The personal and professional sacrifices that our members make go beyond the call of duty on many levels. Therefore, ATA will present awards in the following categories:

**Sports Field/Complex of the Year
Landscape/Lawn of the Year
Sod Farm of the Year
Golf Course of the Year**

Winners of this award will receive:

1. A plaque presented at the Annual Conference during the General Assembly.
2. Featured article in ATA's magazine, *Turf Times*.
3. Free registration to the ATA Annual Conference and Tradeshow.

Criteria for consideration:

1. Applicants must be an ATA member (for three or more years).
2. All applications must be submitted in complete form along with a minimum of 10 digital photographs.
3. There must be at least three entries per category for a winner to be awarded for that category.
4. All sports fields, landscapes, sod farms and golf courses must be older than three years.

The awards committee, consisting of current and past ATA Presidents, will judge entries. Remember, all entries must be received by September 1st. We encourage everyone eligible to enter this contest—you just might be the winner!

Presidents' Award of Excellence Application

Category of submission: (circle one):

Sports Field Golf Course Landscape/Lawn Care Sod Farm

1. ATA Member Name: _____

2. Title: _____

3. Name of Employer/Company/Municipality: _____

4. Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Cell: _____ Email: _____

5. Provide a brief summary of your professional experience and training: _____

6. What is the name of your complex, landscape, sod farm, golf course: _____

7. What is the physical size/acreage of the turfgrass that you maintain at this facility: _____

8. What sport events/activities are held at your sports complex/how many rounds of golf are played on your course per year: _____

9. What is the original construction date of the facility: _____

10. Has your facility been renovated in the last three years: _____

11. How many employees maintain your facility: _____

12. How many man hours per week are spent on turf maintenance: _____

13. What variety(s) of turfgrass(es) do you maintain or sell: _____

14. What is the soil composition of your field, landscape, sod farm, golf course (native soil, sand based, modified sand based, etc.)? Please explain: _____

15. List all equipment used to maintain your facility (include owned, leased or borrowed): _____

16. Provide an organizational chart/diagram of all full and part-time staff working with turfgrass.

17. Describe your maintenance program and any special challenges faced by you and your staff. What changes have you made that have helped you overcome your biggest challenges: _____

18. List any awards that your complex, landscape, sod farm or golf course received:

19. Describe how ATA has benefited you as a turf manager: _____

20. Please submit a minimum of 10 digital photographs of your facility.

**Submit application before September 1, 2006 to:
ATA Turf Awards 2006, P.O. Box 70, Auburn, AL 36831
Questions? 1-866-246-4203, fax: 1-866-786-3644,
mailbox@alaturfgrass.org**

Thank you for your commitment to the turfgrass industry. Good Luck!