

*Rehabilitation of Soccer/Lacrosse Field at Loomis-Chaffee School
(Windsor, CT)*

Problem:

Undesirable species (heavy population of native bentgrass), the number one turf problem for most native-soil athletic fields. Beyond the aesthetic issue, shallow root system means turf tears out easily, contributing to faster wear and athlete injury.

Solution:

Although field infested with undesirable grass species, grade was acceptable. School decided to eradicate existing vegetation, then reseed. Field was sprayed with glyphosphate on June 4, immediately following graduation, and lay fallow for three weeks to ensure total kill. Championship Turf Services then heavily core-aerified the root zone, seeded, topdressed, seeded again and dragged the field to smooth the surface. Seeding was completed on July 1 and field was ready for play on Sept. 4.



Seeding after topdressing



Ten days after seeding