

SportsTurf

MANAGERS ASSOCIATION

Experts on the Field, Partners in the Game.

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The Sports Turf Managers Association (STMA) is the recognized leader in championing the sports turf industry and its professionals. STMA members combine the science of growing turf grasses and the art of maintaining fields to produce safe and aesthetically pleasing playing surfaces.

The three most important reasons for you to join STMA:

1. Job security

Take advantage of STMA's programs and services, and you proactively enhance your value to your employer.

2. Career success

The knowledge, skills and abilities you gain by accessing STMA's education and information can help you to prepare to take that next step in your career.

3. Recognition of your professionalism

In addition to the individual recognition you receive because of your good work, STMA's advocacy with groups such as athletic directors, parks and recreation directors, coaches, and parents enhances the image of the entire profession.



"Certification brings greater credibility to our profession. Attaining certification signifies to my peers that I have made a commitment to excellence."

— John Boyd, CSFM

Schools K-12 Membership Segment

"While the educational programs offered by the STMA are always excellent, I have grown the most professionally by taking advantage of the networking opportunities that STMA presents. The willingness of its members to share information with their peers has made the STMA the leader in the sports turf industry."

— Dan Douglas

Sports Turf Manager, Professional Membership Segment

The top 3 benefits you receive as an STMA member:

- A network of peers who are willing to share their best practices.
- Opportunities for education to help you do your job better.
- Quick access to information and resources to help you save time.



Photo: Ross Kurcab, CSFM



The Benefits of Membership

With your membership, you'll receive:

- A monthly electronic newsletter that communicates association and industry information, and new resources and technology available.
- A hard copy Membership Directory.
- Certificate of membership and a membership card.
- Access to the Member's Only section of www.sportsturfmanager.org, which has a real-time membership directory and employment opportunities.
- Access to Michigan State's Turfgrass Information File, the green industry's greatest resource for up-to-date technical information, a \$100 value.
- Ability to enter your field or complex in the nationally recognized Field of the Year Awards Program.
- Opportunity to become a Certified Sports Field Manager (CSFM) to showcase your professionalism.
- Access to dozens of educational sessions that you will not find anywhere else except at the STMA annual conference and exhibition, at a significant savings over the nonmember price; and discounts to other organizations' education.
- Opportunity to participate in volunteer leadership positions.
- Opportunity to join one of STMA's affiliated chapters for a strong local network. (Each chapter sets its own local dues.)
- *SportsTurf* Magazine each month, a \$40 value.
- The ability to apply for scholarships (students only).

"I know I am a better sports turf manager because of this association. As sports turf managers, we take the challenge seriously to make our fields the best possible for the next game. The resources I have access to through STMA helps me do it."

— Bob Campbell, CSFM
Higher Education Membership Segment

Continue the Tradition of our Founders

Because a few men believed that sports turf could be improved through the sharing of knowledge and the exchange of ideas, the Sports Turf Managers Association was officially formed in 1981. The leaders in the STMA's infancy were Harry "Pops" Gill (deceased), Milwaukee County Stadium; Dr. William Daniel (deceased), Professor Emeritus, Purdue University; Dick Ericson, Minneapolis Metrodome; and George Toma, National Football League.

The influence of these men continues to be felt today as STMA presses forward in achieving its mission to be the recognized leader in strengthening the sports turf industry.

As a new member of the STMA, you too can impact the profession. By joining STMA you will have taken an important step to enhance your skills and abilities. Your individual development will help to advance the entire profession.

"I know I have been able to provide more value to my employer because of my membership in STMA. I have learned cost and time-savings ideas that were especially effective in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina."

— Kenneth Edwards, CSFM
Parks and Recreation Membership Segment

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Membership Application

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Name _____ Title _____

Employer/ Facility _____

Business Home

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Cell phone _____

Fax _____ Email _____

Signature _____

Direct Supervisor Name _____

Fax to: (785) 843-2977

*Or mail with payment to:
Sports Turf
Managers Association
P.O. Box 414029
Kansas City, MO 64141*

Membership Category:

- Sports Turf Manager \$95 (after Oct. 1- \$110)
Please select the primary facility type where you are employed:
 Professional Sports Higher Education Schools K-12
 Parks and Recreation
- Academic \$95
- Student (enrolled in turf program) \$20 (after Oct. 1- \$25)
- Commercial \$295
 Additional members from the same commercial company \$75
- Chapter Dues (contact headquarters for amount) \$ _____
- Contribution To SAFE Foundation (research, education and scholarship): \$ _____
- Total Amount Enclosed:** \$ _____

Payment Method:

Check Money Order Purchase Order #: _____

Credit Card: Mastercard Visa American Express Discover

Name on Card _____

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Phone: 800-323-3875

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