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The Australian Turf Accreditation Program

What is AusGAP?

AusGAP – The Australian Turf Accreditation Program – has been adopted by the country's leading turfgrass farms to provide you with the assurance that their turf adheres to a stringent set of quality standards.

Purchasing your turf from an AusGAP certified turf producer gives you the peace of mind that your money is being spent on the best quality turf in the industry.

The AusGAP certification system provides assurance that the entire production, delivery and installation of your turf is undertaken to the highest industry standards. This assures you that business and turf certification standards of our producers are met.

AusGAP Certified turf has been produced under the best industry practices from start to finish. This ensures that all steps along the chain are carried out in accordance with AusGAP protocols and standards along with state and federal requirements.

Producers of AusGAP certified turf work closely with leading industry bodies including Parks and Leisure Australia (PLA), Housing Industry Australia (HIA), and the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA). The AusGAP program is also supported and endorsed by Turf Australia and ITGAP, the International Turfgrass Generic Assurance Program, the only international turfgrass standards body.

All producers of AusGAP certified turf and their staff have an understanding of their products and offer assistance and advice to all clients whether they are commercial or domestic.



Since November 2019 AusGAP Program Manager Mick Sutton has overseen AusGAP which includes certification of turfgrass, field inspections, farm business compliance, program promotion and all related AusGAP activities.

Mick has been involved in the turf industry for 30 years. During this time he has been involved in nearly all facets of the trade in areas such as:

- Turf farms
- Golf course
- Landscape management contractors
- Consultancy
- Stadia

Why choose AusGAP Certified?

Purchasing AusGAP certified turf is your guarantee of quality and performance. The cost of replacing and relaying an area of underperforming or sub-standard turf can well outweigh the initial cost of purchasing a quality product.

AusGAP certified turf producers have the leading turfgrass varieties available on the Australian market. You can be sure that the production and delivery of your certified turf has been carried out to the highest industry standards.

To ensure you are receiving the best quality turf available, make sure you purchase AusGAP certified turf.

Each certified product has its own certificate so you can be sure you will never receive a substitute or inferior product.





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The AusGAP Difference

Campbelltown Sports Stadium

Campbelltown Sports stadium was impacted by the areas growing population and economic growth. The future increase use of the surface and pressure of having televised games triggered the decision to have the surface of Campbelltown Sports Stadium replaced.

After securing the new A-League team for the 2021 season and scheduled to share the West Tigers NRL games in 2019 and beyond, Campbelltown Council and the Green Horticultural Group (GHG), in collaboration AusGAP made the decision to go ahead with the project using TifTuf Hybrid Bermuda, the latest and most advanced sports turf available in Australia. This turf was supplied and installed by an AusGAP Certified turf producer.

Campbelltown Sports Stadium is the first major sporting surface in NSW to use this new turf. Campbelltown Council and GHG are excited to have been a part of this experience, with the turf showing great promise for wear and tear.

AusGAP ensured the entire process was a success from the production of the turf to delivery and installation, demonstrating why AusGAP is an essential part of the process when determining your turfgrass needs for every project.



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“This is a high profile project and now it looks a million bucks to what it was... In the scheme of things: you get what you pay for.”

-Mr Campbell Morris

Docklands Precinct Project

Choosing AusGAP certified should always be at the forefront when looking for professionalism, turf quality and customer/end-user satisfaction. MALA studio director Campbell Morris learned this with dramatic results for the Docklands Precinct project.

Initially disappointed with an original supply by a non-AusGAP turf grower, Mr Morris said that it was quickly realised that the turf type that he had originally specified for the project had been substituted - without his knowledge - with a poor-appearance, inferior grass-type.

Explaining how disappointed he was with the quality of what he thought was Eureka Kikuyu turf, AusGAP exemplified what their certified farms can offer.

With strict adherence to turf-quality, service and on ground performance, an AusGAP certified turf producer offered their assistance.

The producer, assisted with the removal of the condemned turf, ground preparation and the installation of nearly 600 square meters of freshly supplied AusGAP certified Eureka Kikuyu turf with the difference in the end result plainly seen by all.

This was one of the occasions where AusGAP's reputation was on the line. With the potential of damaging the Eureka Kikuyu brand for AusGAP certified turf growers Australia-wide, it was shown why AusGAP certified should always be the first choice.



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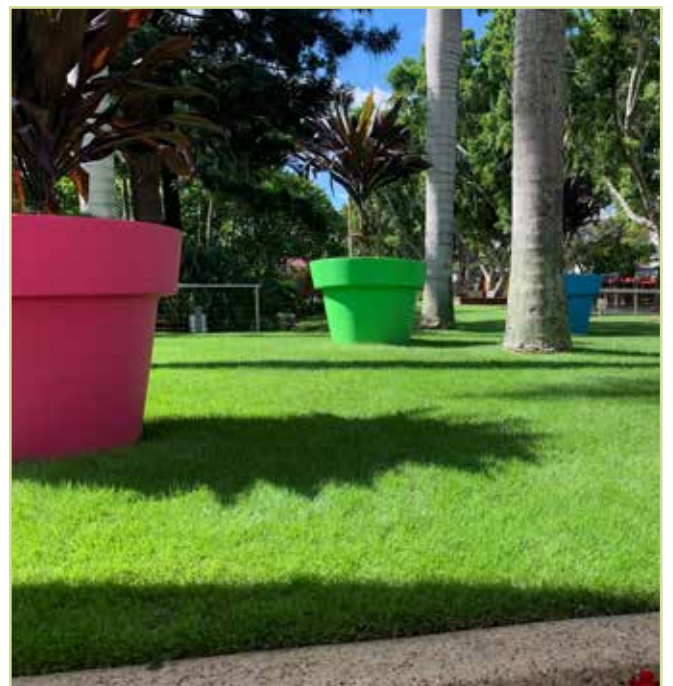
AusGAP has certified thousands of square metres ... and counting!



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REDCLIFFE DOLPHIN'S STADIUM

Process of Certification

All certified farms must adhere to a stringent set of quality standards to qualify for certification.

There is a 5-step process to achieve final certification and it can take up to 24 months to reach the required standard. This involves a series of onsite inspections and audits to prove the business complies in all areas.

These 5 components cover every step in the turf production lifecycle, as well as the procedures and services that accompany each phase.

The points of compliance are summarised below:



1. BUSINESS & FARM REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

- Turf production administration
- Land requirements for turf production
- Turf production & harvesting standards
- Fertiliser application & nutrient management



2. ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

- Environmental & biosecurity management
- Chemical use and storage requirements



3. TURFGRASS GENETIC PURITY PRACTICES

- Purity of turf variety
- Turf tensile strength
- Ensure turf is visually free of weeds, pests and/or disease damage



4. CUSTOMER SERVICE & SATISFACTION

- Customer service standards and expectations
- Ensure customer enquiries and concerns are responded to in a timely manner
- Delivery and installation standards



5. STAFF WELFARE & SAFETY

- WHS requirements and compliance
- Plant and machinery maintenance registration and safe operation
- Staff licensing, training and insurances
- Staff training on product varieties and services



The AusGAP Process







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