

Analytic Rubric For Green Star Awards

	Value (Points)				
	15-20 points	10 - 15 points	5 - 10 points	0 - 5 points	(100 points)
Turf Management (20%)	Turfgrass is professionally striped, trimmed, edged and maintained. Overall appearance is rich in color and consistent texture. Turf is free of injury or damage and maintenance program incorporates industry standards for turf grass management	Turfgrass is well maintained with a very pleasing appearance. Minor wear and damage is minimally shown.	Turfgrass has some imperfections, turf areas are not striped or well edged. The turf management plan is not well addressed in summary. Weeds, disease and insect damage can readily be seen.	Inconsistencies in continuity of quality turfgrass and sound management plan. Improper practices in maintenance, ie. fertility, color, irrigation, insect, disease and mechanical damage. Improper mowing and trimming techniques.	<u>Rating option:</u> Golf course percentages 60-10-10-10-10 and Sports turf as a major feature of an overall site 40-15-15-15-15
Landscape (20%)	Site reflects thoughtful design utilizing elements of form and function, texture and color. Plants are properly mulched and meticulously maintained. Plant usage is diverse and appealing revealing flawless maintenance.	Bed edging neat and clean but not crisp, some flower deadheads, trees and shrubs not freshly pruned/sheared. Limited appeal or diversity of plant selectivity for design or color.	Shrub, tree and flowerbeds not edged, mulch is not fresh. Presence of weeds, deadheads and debris. Some minor flaws in pruning techniques. Seasonality not considered in theme of design. Landscape/ garden design doesn't fit site.	Inconsistent quality in design, maintenance and function of landscape. Excessive / incorrect pruning and mulching. Lapses in quality of the entire landscape, dead, diseased, infested materials. Presence of debris and weeds.	
Challenges (20%)	Special projects are explained and pictured. Degree of difficulty is high based on resources of labor and materials, access to site. Description includes solutions, successes, and lessons learned for the challenges identified.	Safety is considered but not specifically stressed. Solutions, successes and lessons learned are not consistently identified.	Management challenges seem routine and not out of the ordinary. Some safety concerns are present.	No stated maintenance challenges, complete disregard of safety issues. Unprofessional appearance of staff. Staff improperly using equipment in an unsafe manner.	
Budget (20%)	Budget is very restrictive. Budget is average / unrestricted yet innovative methodology and efficiency is demonstrated in overall management plan.	Concerns for budget items that supports a solid plan are stressed. Long term goals and objectives are outlined with provisions for contingency issues.	No long term planning explained in management plan. Excessive budget disproportionate to the level of staffing and outcome of sites function and aesthetics.	A minimalist approach to management not expressing innovative and cost effective ways to maximize efficiency and productivity. No focus on overall goals and long term planning.	
Sustainable Practices (20%)	Sustainable practices and methods featured throughout the landscape. Management practices incorporate alternative control measures for weed, disease and insects with a emphasis on non-toxic, organic approaches.	More thought could be given to sustainable practices and methods. Management plan lacks diversity of cultural options and lacks clarity regarding environmental stewardship commitment.	No mention of environmental stewardship in management plan or lack of a management plan.	Site reflects the possibility of negative environmental impact due to maintenance practices.	

Total: 100%