

Brown Patch (*Rhizoctonia solani*)

- All turf types are susceptible.
- Purplish “smoke ring” border may be present early in the morning.
- Circular brown patches.
- Lesions on leaf blades similar to dollar spot but not bleached and more irregular.
- Lesion borders are not straight like dollar spot.
- Usually a foliar disease that does not kill crowns or roots
- Fungus survives in soil and thatch as mycelium
- Requires temperatures from 18C (64F) - 32C (90F)
- High humidity

Management of Brown Patch

- Reduce N during summer
- Avoid night watering
- Increase air circulation

