

Turf Tonics highly commended for Grounds Team award

Top four finish for Wanderers' partners.



The EFL has announced the winners of the Grounds Team of the Season award for 2018/19 in each of the three divisions, with Wanderers' partners Turf Tonics making the top four in League 1.

The awards recognise the importance of the quality of pitches for professional football and acknowledge the clubs and their ground staff who consistently produce the best playing surfaces in the EFL.

In the Sky Bet Championship, Swansea City win the award for producing a perfect pitch at the Liberty Stadium this season. Aston Villa and Middlesbrough are both highly commended.

In Sky Bet League One, Bristol Rovers' ground staff take top honours for the excellent surface at the Memorial Stadium. Doncaster Rovers, Sunderland and Wycombe Wanderers are highly commended.

The award for Grounds Team of the Season in Sky Bet League Two this

year goes to Swindon Town, while the ground staff of Carlisle United and MK Dons are highly commended.

Championship

Winner – Swansea City

Highly Commended – Aston Villa

Highly Commended - Middlesbrough

League One

Winner – Bristol Rovers

Highly Commended – Doncaster Rovers

Highly Commended - Sunderland

Highly Commended - Wycombe Wanderers

League Two

Winner – Swindon Town

Highly Commended – Carlisle United

Highly Commended - MK Dons

The EFL's Grounds Team of the Season Awards are determined initially using marks from referees and away managers for each Sky Bet EFL game and are then followed by detailed pitch inspections and a review of management operations.

These visits were carried out by Dr Stephen Baker, Head of Sports Surface Technology at the Sports Turf Research Institute (STRI).