



# FORE YOUR SAFETY!

Promoting Tournament Safety for Employees, Volunteers, Players, and Guests

## Tournament Storage Safety

Like most businesses, storing equipment, products, gifts, trophies, office supplies, etc. for later use is a normal part of day-to-day operations. PGA TOUR events store these items as well, however many on a temporary basis. From pro-am gifts to trash boxes, all present their own unique set of challenges stemming from size and limited space to high value items that could be subject to theft.

### Equipment

Tournament operations and course preparation volunteers typically require a large chest of tools that include hammers, drills, knives and saws, to complete their tasks. These tools can obviously inflict damage to the operator while in use, if handled improperly, but it is also important to recognize that they can cause damage to the operator due to poor storage habits. "Everything has a home", which means that each tool should have a dedicated space in the toolbox and not strewn about creating the potential for a puncture or laceration wound.

For those events with warehouse storage, be sure that any equipment stored on a secondary level does not exceed the structure's maximum weight

capacity. Also be sure that all secondary levels have adequate safeguards such as guard rails and steps. You do not want people or equipment falling off!

### Product



For the purposes of this FYS, the term "product" refers to purchased and/or donated food and beverage for players, volunteers, staff, etc. that is typically distributed by the commissary or supply distribution committee. Product at PGA TOUR events is constantly being removed and replenished throughout the week, so it is especially important that safe and efficient access to storage is provided for those handling the product.

Ground level storage containers with locks or ground level structures with proper security measures are recommended for product storage. Semi-trailers or other secondary level storage creates the potential for a fall, especially when carrying cases of product, so be sure to provide an adequate non-skid

ramp or staircase if secondary level storage is your events only option.

### Gifts & Trophies

Pro-am and other related gifts tend to be of high value and small (so traveling participants can easily take home), which make them great candidates for theft. Pro-am gifts are typically stored in one area and then staged the night before the pro-am in the gifting area which more often than not is located inside of the host clubhouse. Although a clubhouse is a permanent structure with security measures in place, it is important to take precautionary measures like securing the doors, closing the blinds and staffing overnight security in the pro-am gifting area.

The safe and secure storage of the tournament trophy may seem like common sense, but sometimes sense isn't so common! Designating one or two people to manage the trophy throughout its many appearances during tournament week coupled with proper storage is a recommend best practice.

AND of course, **ALWAYS** remove the golf cart key when loading and unloading any and all items.