

# FORE YOUR SAFETY!

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

## Hazard Identification - Be Aware and Take Care!

Part of a great tournament safety plan is knowing the potential hazards at an event and eliminating or minimizing their risk beforehand. Hazards come in many different forms and are not obvious unless your eyes are trained and ears are open. "FORE!"

#### **Golf Carts**

Golf carts are an essential part of tournament operations people and allow equipment to be transported throughout the property in an efficient manner. Golf carts on a recreational golf course present minimal risks, but golf carts at TOUR events with thousands of patrons create additional risk. Follow the golf cart safety tips below to help minimize the risk to your event!

- NEVER operate a golf cart while impaired by alcohol, drugs, medication, illness, fatigue or injury
- Avoid the use of phones, food, radios and any other distractions while driving



- Schedule golf cart training for all those operating a golf cart
- Share and review the PGA TOUR Golf Cart Safety video and Golf Cart Safety Acknowledgement form
- Create a golf cart routing map and signage for drivers to follow

#### **Trip Hazards**

Trip hazards can be the "Where's Waldo" of hazards. If you are like most people at TOUR events, your eyes are on the players, golf course and fan amenities and not scanning the ground!



Uneven cart paths, roots, cables, holes, uneven floors, steps, curbs, etc... can cause someone to trip and fall. It may seem daunting to identify and

correct all the potential trip hazards at first, but with strategic planning and efficient communication, these can be abated significantly.

- Communicate to all cable or hose vendors to discreetly hide their cables and to avoid high pedestrian areas
- Re-route pedestrian walkways in areas where holes, curbs uneven surfaces, or roots are present
- If the trip hazard is immovable, then it is recommended to highlight this area to alert others

### Hit by Ball

Although "These Guys Are Good" is no longer the official campaign slogan of the PGA TOUR, it still rings true when it comes to TOUR players hitting the ball straight. HOWEVER. occasionally their golf balls do go astray and strike patrons. Methods that will help minimize balls striking patrons include efficient and clear communication from the marshals and rope lines that are wider near landing zones.

