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Selva Marina Country Club



Time Better Spent

Supervising people and running back and forth between the clubhouse, maintenance facility and golf pro shop can become a real headache. Satisfying questions with personal appearances can put excessive mileage on your truck and yourself in the course of a day. If your job is giving you the feeling that to be everywhere at once is the only way to get things done, then relax!

Two-way radios on the golf course are proving themselves as the ultimate time saver. Time spent running back to the maintenance building to get a project underway or some detail taken care of can be solved by the push of a radio mike. Although radio systems on the golf course can be very expensive, depending on size and number of portable units in the field, their value is more than paid for in a relatively short time.

Here are a few ways that radios can effectively be used in day to day golf course operation:

1. Save down time on equipment by letting service manager know what is wrong with a piece of equipment and where it is located.
2. Can monitor irrigation repairs more efficiently.

3. Improvement of overall security of club, golf, etc.
4. Faster and more accurate delegation of crew duties.
5. Able to be aware of total club operations for the day by listening to other departments.
6. Emergency situations — initiate calling of ambulance rescue team from field, etc.
7. Aid to stranded golfers with broken carts.

Two-way radios must be used as a time saving tool for your job and not as a play thing. Proper etiquette with your radios is a must. Be selective in giving out your portable radios and make sure your personnel know how to use them correctly. The amount of time that is saved by some form of radio system was the overwhelming *positive* response from superintendents that had two-way radios in North Florida.

Whether you are at a big resort course or a small private facility, look into radio communications for your operation needs. It will enable you to have time saved and time better spent. ■

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