

TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS OF ILLINOIS RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

RISK REMINDER

General Rules

For Hand Trucks

When using a hand truck, dolly, or other non-powered material handling equipment, follow these simple tips:

- Properly secure the load on the hand truck. This may mean using a strap to hold it in place.
- Push the load, don't pull. You can get twice the power by pushing and there is less chance of the load falling on you.
- Make sure you have a firm grip on the hand truck.



- Keep your knees bent, back straight, and lean in the direction of the movement of the load.
- Let your legs and body weight do the work.