

HOW TO PREVENT A CLUB FROM FLYING OUT OF YOUR HANDS



Dry the grip in the sun.

If the grip is wet, or if there is a lot of moisture in the air, leave the club in the hot sun for as long as possible so the moisture will evaporate. Place the club on a hard surface like rock or concrete, which retains more heat than grass and will expedite the drying process.



Wear gloves.

Golf gloves provide added grip (and reduce chafing and blisters). If no golf gloves are available, thoroughly wet a pair of thin cotton gloves and wear them.

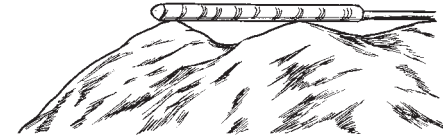


Rub dry dirt, chalk (magnesium carbonate), talcum powder, cornstarch, dry crumbs, or a powdery stick antiperspirant on sweaty hands or the grip.

These items will absorb excess moisture.



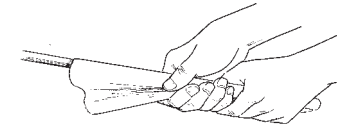
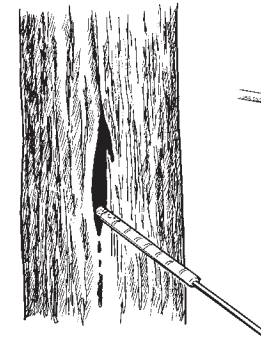
Rub a slippery grip on sandpaper or concrete to scuff the grip.



Place club on a hard surface.



Rub dirt on hands and grip.



Wrap towel around grip.

Smear tree sap on grip.



Smear tree sap on the grip to make it sticky.

Sugar maples are good sources of sap in the spring and early summer, when it may run down the sides of the tree. You will be able to find sap from pines or other conifers (spruce, fir) any time of year, and can use it either dried or weeping. Sap can also be found on needles and cones. Note that sap is extremely sticky, and removing it from the skin and other objects will require the use of mineral spirits.



Use a towel.

Wrap a handkerchief or a thin towel around the grip of your club when hitting. This is perfectly legal, according to the rules.

