

Lightning Safety Awareness Week: June 20-26, 2004

LIGHTNING KILLS PLAY IT SAFE

Golf courses are typically open areas, where 45% of all lightning fatalities occur.

Lightning is the number 1 cause of weather deaths.

Lightning in Mississippi

In the past 10 years, lightning strikes have killed 2 people and injured 10 people in outside activities.

In the past 10 years, lightning strikes overall have caused 8 deaths, 24 injuries and 2.2 million dollars in damages.

Since 1959, lightning strikes have caused 97 deaths.

30/30 Lightning Safety Rule

Go indoors if, after seeing lightning you cannot count to 30 before hearing thunder. Stay indoors for 30 minutes after hearing the last clap of thunder.

For more safety tips and information on lightning visit the web site below.



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