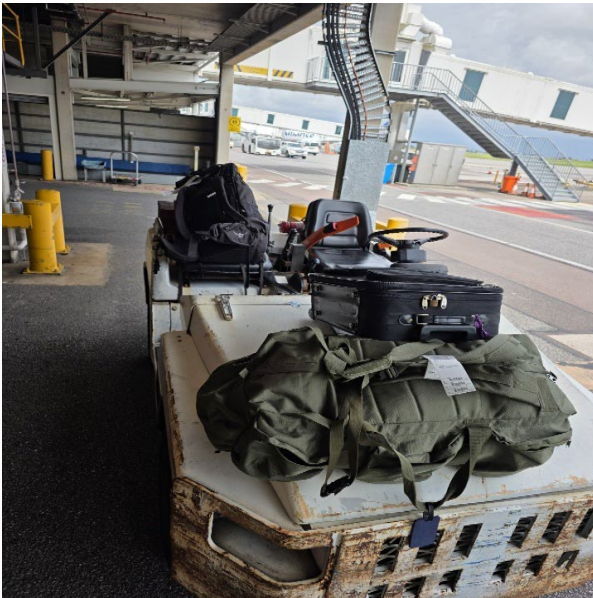


SAFETY BULLETIN

Safety Bulletin No.	2026 - 01	Date Issued	April 2026
Subject	Securing Loose Items on Airside Vehicles		
Area of Concern	Darwin International Airport - Airside		
Issued By	Kyle Schwarze – Senior Compliance Coordinator		

This **safety bulletin** is issued to reinforce the importance of securing all loose items on airside vehicles. This includes items within the baggage tugs, to prevent hazards and risks to personnel.



Background

Recently, a ramp agent was operating a baggage tug along the airside road when the vehicle collided with and mounted the concrete base of the Bay 8 light pole. The impact disabled the tug and resulted in multiple blown tires.

The driver became distracted while moving an item from the tug's bonnet to the passenger footwell, causing the vehicle to veer left and collide with the concrete base.

REQUIRED ACTIONS

- Secure all loose items before operating the vehicle.
- Conduct daily prestart inspections.
- Conduct a check of the vehicle prior to movement.
- Remove unnecessary loose items from vehicle.
- Report 'all' accidents and incidents regardless of how minor the circumstances may seem.

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