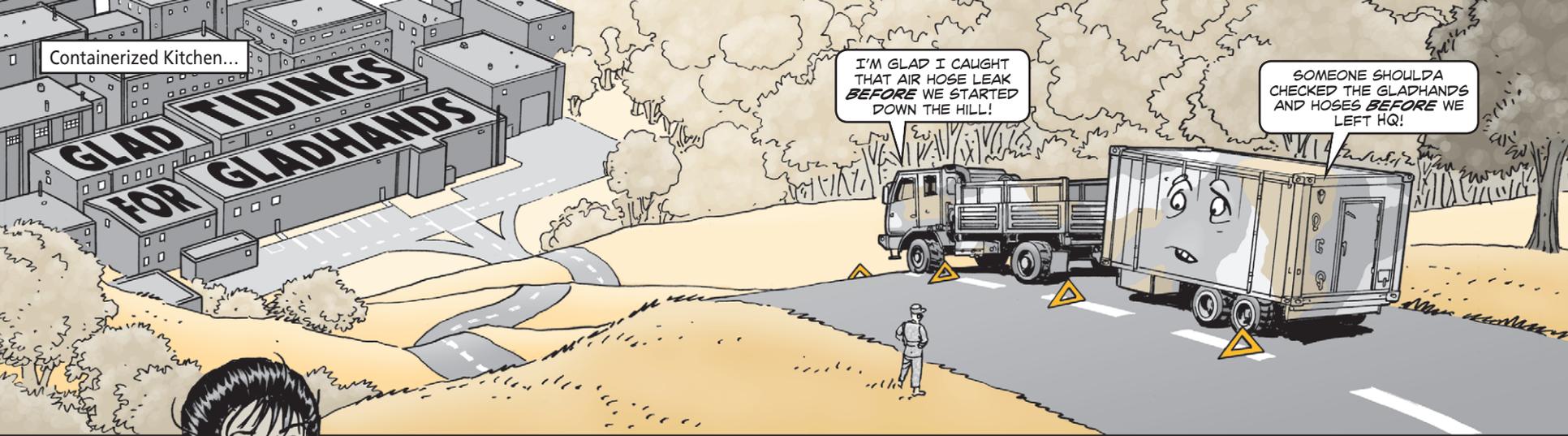


Containerized Kitchen...



I'M GLAD I CAUGHT THAT AIR HOSE LEAK BEFORE WE STARTED DOWN THE HILL!

SOMEONE SHOULD'VE CHECKED THE GLADHANDS AND HOSES BEFORE WE LEFT HQ!

OPERATORS, WHEN YOU'RE DOING PMCS ON YOUR CONTAINERIZED KITCHEN TRAILER, DON'T OVERLOOK THE GLADHANDS AND THEIR HOSES.

THEY'RE THE CONNECTION FOR THE AIR SUPPLY BETWEEN THE TOWING VEHICLE AND THE TRAILER.

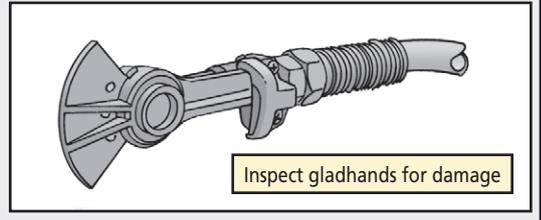
ANY BREAK IN THAT AIR SUPPLY CAN WEAKEN THE AIR BRAKES IN THE TRAILER.

THAT'S WHY YOU MUST INSPECT THE GLADHANDS AND HOSES BEFORE EACH OPERATION.

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR ANYTHING THAT MIGHT LEAD TO AN AIR LEAK.

Gladhands

It's a fact: gladhands take a beating over time. Look for loose or broken clamps, fittings and connectors. Also inspect the seals for wear, tears and flattening. These are air leaks waiting to happen.

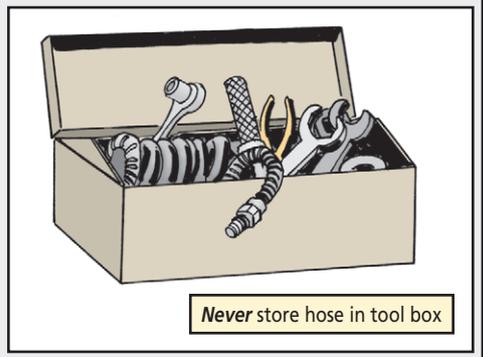


Inspect gladhands for damage

If you find any damage to the gladhands or hoses, report it to unit maintenance.

The Best Protection

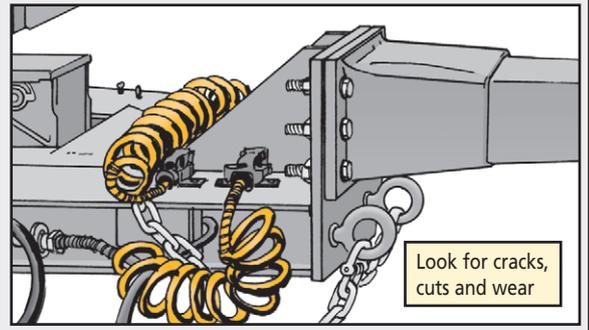
So, what's the best way to protect the gladhands and hoses from damage when you set up the kitchen? Well, storing them in a crowded, jumbled tool box is not the answer. That's just inviting breaks, cuts and punctures. The best protection is to remove them from the trailer so they won't get stepped on. Then store them inside the kitchen out of harm's way, either in a storage cabinet or on a rack.



Never store hose in tool box

Hoses

Sun, rain, heat and cold all take a toll on the hoses. Insulation dries out and cracks. Another culprit is rough handling; it causes major wear and tear. Either way, air leaks and brakes fail. Inspect the hoses for dry rot, cracks, wear, cuts and gouges.



Look for cracks, cuts and wear