

Morale, Welfare, Recreation & Restrooms

Military base chooses three Romtec facilities

U.S. military bases around the world are known for their stellar golf courses. Providing this type of recreation for military personnel and their families is an important part of the military's Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) program.

But no matter how challenging the play or how beautiful the course, a lack of restroom facilities can diminish the golfing experience.

This was the case recently at a military base in the South that is home to three golf courses, one 27-hole course and two nine-hole courses. "This base has three absolutely beautiful courses that got a lot of play by families. They were very interested in making the experience more fun for everyone by supplying restroom facilities," says Ryan Smith, Romtec's national sales manager.

Placing a restroom structure or two on a golf course is not without its challenges. Most courses do not have sewer infrastructure accessible on the course, requiring the use of a waterless structure. Aesthetics are also a concern—designing the building so it fits the course environment and the look of existing structures is often a top priority.

Managers at this Southern base chose Romtec's pre-engineered restroom structures for its courses. Two of the restrooms, on the biggest course, are plumbed into the sewer line.

"The buildings really look great. They are clean and modern yet look as though they have always belonged there," Smith says. "They provide needed facilities that enhance the aesthetics of the course instead of detracting from it."

The third, an SST® Aspen Single Restroom, features Romtec's signature odor-free vent system. Although it is a waterless structure, Romtec fitted the building with utility tie-ins for future connectivity to water and sewer. "That way," Smith explains, "when the sewer system is expanded to that area, it is a simple matter to transform the building into a flushable unit."

The base also chose several features for its buildings that help customize them to the golf course environment. All of the buildings feature a lightning protection system, an increasingly popular option for golf course structures. Attractive steel roof extensions allow golfers a momentary respite from the rain or other inclement weather conditions.

Another popular option for course buildings is a lockable utility alcove. Since many courses are not plumbed for drinking fountains, course managers can place water coolers there with paper cups for golfers' convenience. "This alcove eliminates the need for a stand-alone unit, and provides tamper-proof housing for the cooler," Smith says.



Photos

Top: Translucent Lexan acrylic windows let in natural light.

Middle: Heavy-duty entry doors are galvanized steel, powder coated black to resist scratches.

Bottom: Restroom floors and walls are tiled for durability & ease of maintenance.



Photo below: Roof extension is a safety feature, providing shelter from occasional rain & lightning. Bottled water dispenser is located next to privacy wall in front of restroom entries.