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LIZ FORD

WPBA touring pro Ford takes perverse pride in being "the most ill-equipped professional player on the planet. ... I used to be a tool junkie, and now I'm kind of cheap and I don't want to spend any money." She certainly isn't worried about appearances, evidenced by the 30-year-old Porper case with "Liz" written on the top in Wite-Out, and the break cue that sports blue electrical tape in place of a joint collar. And those are just the flaws we can see. "My case has no padding left in it to protect my cues. For a while I had a pair of socks stuffed in the top, but I was embarrassed when they fell out during a WPBA match." Ford's achievements include 2003 Northeastern Women's Tour champion and 2005 Tri-State Tour Female Player of the Year, so it just goes to show that equipment doesn't necessarily make the player.



- Case: Joe Porper, 2-by-4
- Playing cue: Predator P2, 18.75 oz., with Moori medium tip
- Break cues: Predator BK, 18.75 oz.; and Bunjee jump cue with extender.

- IBS purple glove.
- Porper razor "mushroom grazing" tool ("I don't actually use the razor tool, but I do cut myself on it sometimes when I reach into the pocket.")

- Fine-grained sandpaper.
- Hole-reinforcers for marking practice shots. ("They stick to everything and can probably be seen on various objects in this picture.")