



COMMANDER'S POLICY STATEMENT ON SAFETY

Force Preservation and Risk Management are an Operational Readiness Requirement, a primary metric of Professionalism, and the responsibility of every member of the Corps. As the Commander, Marine Corps Installations Command, I take the application of these Safety Principles very seriously as our Marines, Sailors and Civilian Marines are the Center of Gravity for all Marine Corps Installations to enable the Operating Forces, Tenants and our families.



Preserving our precious and limited resources specifically falls on all levels of Leadership and Management. As leaders, we are charged with providing the institutional underpinning for safety in terms of attitude, equipment, and process. These three focal points comprise the foundational culture of a safe and healthy platform from which those who trust in us can deploy, employ, work, and live. Every leader and manager will be the initial focal point in prevention, analysis and remediation of hazards. Employing Risk Management (RM) and a proactive hands-on approach for the well-being of each member of the Marine Corps Installations Command Family, Operational Forces, Tennant Commands, and their Families is our number one priority – both on and off-duty.

Many aspects of our mission involve a certain level of risk; whether it is supporting combat training operations aboard our installations or conducting the activities that are done so well that many come to expect them without thinking (water, electricity, sewer, etc.). You, the individuals that conduct these mostly behind the scenes actions, also bear the majority of the risk. You also have the responsibility and trust of applying the process and policies that keep risk to a minimum, in addition to being charged with identifying process faults so that others may remain free from harm. This responsibility requires increased awareness, sound judgement, and a bias to 'do the right thing'.

Lastly, in order to be successful in Force and Resource Preservation, risk management must be an integral element of our daily battle rhythm, and not a barrier to action or an afterthought. It should be deliberate, planned, continuous, and optimized through minimization of hazards wherever we find them. We cannot accept nor will we tolerate any unnecessary and uncalculated risk which may endanger ourselves or others. I challenge each member of the Command to take personal ownership for Force Preservation during the execution of all activities, knowing that I am your biggest advocate in these endeavors.

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