



SAFETY POLICY



1. 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, I expect mission accomplishment enabled by appropriate risk management at all levels. We must teach all of our Marines and Sailors the skills needed to make good risk decisions in life. Personnel who make good risk decisions do not drive drunk, lose fewer working hours to injuries, and remain ready to fight.
2. Commanders must create and implement effective safety programs with innovations necessary for their particular exercises and hazards. This can only be accomplished through pro-active leadership willing to accept and react appropriately to input from seniors, peers, and subordinates. Promoting prompt reporting and elimination of unnecessary risks and hazards at lower levels is the quickest and most cost-effective way to reduce mishaps that damage our equipment and keep personnel out of the fight.
3. Officers, commissioned and non-commissioned alike, must be involved in the safety process. In addition to being approachable recipients of safety reports, they must actively work to correct hazards in their area of responsibility. Good leaders ensure their personnel have all of the tools, training, and personal protective equipment needed to safely accomplish the mission and remain ready to fight.
4. It is essential that everyone applies risk management at their level and communicates properly with the chain of command when the situation is out of control, both in the workspace and at home. Let supervisors know if there is a safety hazard and be prepared to assist with the corrective action. Learn to apply the principles of risk management to your personal life. It will encourage you to make good decisions and prevent the "preventable mishap." Mishaps cost you money to repair damages and may cause you to spend liberty time in the emergency room.
5. As the Commanding General of 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, I need you to accept the safety program responsibility fully. I need you to manage the inherent risks we face appropriately in order to remain mission capable and ready to fight tonight.

Semper Fidelis,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell A. C. Sanborn".

R. A. C. Sanborn
Commanding General
1st Marine Aircraft Wing