



1st LAAD Battalion Commanding Officer's Policy Statement on Safety



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Safety is a Team Effort and Rank Independent

We must care enough about our teammates and families to prioritize safety in all we do—on and off duty.

Private to Sergeant Major, Lieutenant to Lieutenant Colonel, we all bear the responsibility to address and correct unsafe actions or conditions immediately.

Bias for Action Does Not Equal Rushing to Recklessness

Marines and Sailors are built for action—we run to the sound of chaos, we are the few, we are the proud, and often, we rush ourselves into reckless action...take a tactical pause and think about what we are doing. Safety requires thinking...

We all chose an inherently dangerous job—increasing that danger by cutting corners, failing to analyze and mitigate risk, or simple laziness is unacceptable and counter to what 1st LAAD Battalion stands for. Complacency Kills.

Chase Perfection in Our Practice

Championship teams realize that *perfect* practice makes *perfect*. We do this by,

- Maintaining the standards
- Following established policies and procedures written in blood
- Care enough to take our safety seriously and prioritize it

“We will chase perfection, and we will chase it relentlessly...”

-Vince Lombardi

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