



## SAFETY

As the Commanding Officer of MTACS-18, it is my duty and moral obligation to establish a command climate that maintains good order and discipline, ensures the welfare and safety of every MTACS-18 Marine, Sailor, and family member, and enables each Marine to reach their fullest potential all while preparing the squadron for combat. To this end, we must be men and women of ethical character who uphold our core values of honor, courage, and commitment.

Every member of MTACS-18 is responsible for safety both on and off duty. Officers, SNCOs, and NCOs will ensure safety and Operational Risk Management (ORM) are a fundamental aspect of all MOS and green side training and operations. All MTACS-18 personnel are empowered to act as safety observers. When you observe an unsafe situation correct it immediately!

A successful safety program is not hard to develop or to institute. It requires common sense, compliance with established procedures, and a commitment to look out for your fellow Marines. Whether on or off duty consider the consequences of your every action. No one intentionally sets out to hurt themselves, someone else, or to damage equipment and property. However, this will happen through a lack of professionalism and allowing complacency, carelessness, or a "been there, done that" attitude having set in. Any Marine injured by our own negligence is only doing the enemy a favor. Ours is a risky business, we must mitigate and control those risks in order to safely achieve the mission our Nation and our Corps gives us. Each of you have the duty and the responsibility to ensure everyone stays in the fight through safe actions and ORM. You need to have the intestinal fortitude to stop and correct the improper actions of others. Again, when you observe an unsafe situation correct it immediately!

References: MCO 5100.29B Marine Corps Safety Program

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