



MARINE WING SUPPORT SQUADRON 171
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12
1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING



Policy on Safety

"Force preservation is a vital element of our combat readiness; death, serious injury, and the loss of material assets due to mishaps directly and negatively impacts the warfighting capability of the entire Marine Corps."

-MCO 5100.29B

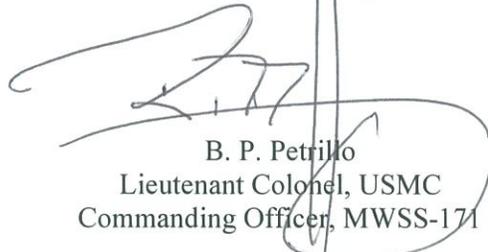
A safety mindset must be paramount in all that we do in this Squadron, as most of what we do involves the potential for mishap. The Marines of this Squadron operate complex equipment, fuel aircraft, fight fires, build and repair structures, and recover vehicles and aircraft. This is only a fraction of other potentially dangerous tasks. Not only do we have a responsibility to provide a safe work environment for our Marine and Sailors, but we also must ensure a safe environment for those we work to support.

It is incumbent upon every member of the Squadron to ensure that we are conducting proper and thorough Operational Risk Management (ORM). Our mission to support the MAG is of the highest priority, however, accomplishment cannot be at the expense of safety. Even one mishap involving personnel or equipment due to poor execution of ORM is too high a price to pay.

Each of you must be engaged and involved both on and off duty to ensure we maintain a culture of safe practice and force preservation. Every Marine, Sailor, and Civilian in the Squadron is critical to our success and must share in this responsibility. Detecting, eliminating, and controlling risk is fundamental in the prevention of mishaps and must be incorporated in all that we do.

The Squadron Safety Officer is Major Tyler Robinson. He is trained and ready to provide the necessary support and oversight to this critical program. He can be reached by email at tyler.robinson@usmc.mil or by phone at 253-3524.

Semper Fidelis,



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