

VMM-262 Safety Policy



Operational Excellence is usually judged on mission accomplishment, but this is by no means the best marker of excellence.

Operational excellence is defined when a unit trains or operates while managing risk through leadership, professionalism, and humility. I expect this from the "World Famous Flying Tigers!"

Leaders, you are responsible and accountable for the safety and health of our Marines and Sailors. Be a risk manager. Evaluate and manage risk at your level through proactive planning, mentorship, and supervision. Know what risk you can accept. Communicate always and establish a culture where Marines and Sailors are encouraged to report unsafe conditions or hazards. Focus on establishing controls or fixing the deficiency, so it does not happen again.

To all, be professional. Whether at work or off duty, professionals demand excellence of themselves and those around them. Know your job and do it well. Know and uphold standards. Report unsafe conditions and step in to prevent them from occurring or continuing.

Last, always remember that we are human and prone to error. We must remain vigilant in preventing errors and mishaps. Make yourself open to critique and encourage dialogue, as your bias may prevent you from seeing the mistake or looming threat. If a mishap or unsafe event occurs, take a critical look to understand why it happened. Learn from it and adjust!

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