



**POLICY STATEMENT ON
SAFETY**

**COMMANDING GENERAL
4TH MARINE AIRCRAFT WING**



It is my goal that we in the Fourth Marine Aircraft Wing provide ready, credible forces for deployment and operational employment, while at the same time ensuring each Marine returns to his or her family when that task is complete. These end states are not incompatible due to our adherence to safe practices, procedures, and the many programs that foundationally help set our culture of safety.

Together, these pillars help us weigh the requirements of conducting flight and flight support operations in austere and often hostile environments as well as maximize the safeguards employed to execute assigned missions with well understood risk management.

Our personal conduct must also reflect a commitment to safety. Whether on duty or off, we can all implement individual controls on our behavior that will minimize risk, enhance personal safety, and ensure that we are able to support our fellow Marines when the call comes. Impairment in its many forms increases our chances of being hurt or hurting others. Plan ahead and always leave yourself an alternate option.

Looking out for one another is a time honored tradition for Marines. We never leave anyone behind and similarly, we should never leave anyone to confront individual pain and challenges alone. Far too many Americans commit suicide, and sadly those numbers include your fellow Marines. Engage as leaders, engage as friends, and engage as teammates. Help preserve our most important asset: each other. We need everyone in the fight.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. L. Adams'.

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