Commanding Officer's/ Inspector Instructor's Policy on Safety and Risk Management



Marines and Sailors of 1/25,

Safety is a mindset and a combat multiplier. A single preventable mishap can take a Marine or Sailor out of the fight, weaken our readiness, and impact our families. Every member of this battalion – regardless of rank or billet – is responsible for protecting themselves, their fellow Marines, and this unit by practicing sound judgment and risk management on and off duty.

Everything that we do as Marines is inherently dangerous. Because of this we expect leaders at all levels to integrate risk management into every training event, operation, and daily activity. Identifying hazards, making risk-informed decisions, and enforcing standards is a leadership responsibility. Equally, every Marine and Sailor has a duty to speak up, stop unsafe practices, and look out for their fellow Marines.

Reckless behavior, disregard for regulations, or failure to apply risk management is unacceptable and will be addressed immediately. Safety is not about avoiding risk, but managing it so we can train hard, deploy effectively, and return home safely.

Our standard is clear: we will accomplish every mission aggressively and professionally, but never at the expense of preventable loss or life or readiness. Protect yourself, protect each other, and protect this battalion's ability to fight and win.

Semper Fidelis,

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