



**Marine Corps Installations Pacific
Marine Corps Base Camp Butler
Commanding General's
Policy Statement on
Safety**



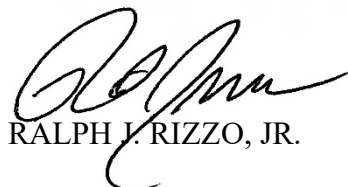
Mission readiness begins with protecting and preserving our most valuable assets, our Marines, Sailors, civilians, and family members. Marine Corps Installations Pacific-Marine Corps Base Camp Butler exists to enable III Marine Expeditionary Force to remain ready to **"Fight Now"** whenever called upon to defend the United States, its interests, and our allies and partners throughout the Indo-Pacific region. Achieving that mission requires disciplined risk management, operational excellence, and a strong safety culture integrated into every task, operation, and mission regardless of size, complexity, or location. Readiness is not achieved by chance; it is sustained through deliberate actions, sound judgment, and an unwavering commitment to protecting our people and preserving combat power.

Safety is both a leadership responsibility and an individual duty shared by every member of this command. I expect all personnel to actively identify hazards, apply risk management principles, enforce standards, and intervene when unsafe acts or conditions are observed. If you identify a hazard, take immediate action to correct it. If corrective action is beyond your capability, report it through your chain of command and implement appropriate controls to reduce risk and protect the force. Every preventable mishap degrades readiness, impacts mission accomplishment, and places our personnel at unnecessary risk.

Leaders at every level must remain actively engaged, know their personnel, supervise where work is being performed, and ensure all personnel are properly trained, equipped, and prepared to operate safely. Leaders must foster an environment where risk-informed decisions are encouraged, concerns can be raised without hesitation, and safety is viewed as a combat multiplier rather than an administrative requirement. Complacency, inattention to detail, shortcuts, and unnecessary risk undermine readiness and have no place in our organization.

Safety does not end when the workday is over. Historically, most serious injuries and fatalities occur during off-duty activities, often involving motor vehicle crashes, recreational water activities, alcohol misuse, fatigue, and other preventable risk-taking behaviors. These incidents can have devastating consequences for individuals, families, units, and mission readiness. I expect all personnel to apply the same level of discipline, judgment, and risk management off duty that they demonstrate while performing their official duties.

We owe it to our teammates, our families, and our Nation to maintain a culture where safety, accountability, and mission accomplishment go hand in hand. Together, we will preserve the force, safeguard our combat capability, protect critical resources, and maintain the readiness required to accomplish our mission whenever and wherever our Nation calls.



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