



SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT  
OF THE  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
MARINE CORPS AIR STATION  
CHERRY POINT

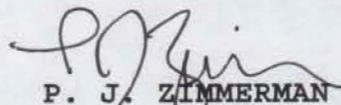


*Military personnel and civilians serving aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point are our most vital assets in the conduct of our mission. We must do all that we can to enhance our readiness and mission effectiveness by preserving these assets. Any time we encounter a careless loss of life or preventable injuries due to mishaps our readiness and effectiveness are reduced. To prevent this, our culture must embrace an innovative approach to maintaining and improving safe practices aboard the Air Station during operations, training, and recreation.*

*Personnel aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point must understand and ensure:*

- Safety is everyone's personal responsibility. Each person must actively identify hazards and mitigate risk to maintain individual and unit readiness.*
- Policy that outlines safe work practices must be followed.*
- When hazards are identified, they are appropriately handled or mitigated, not ignored.*
- Everyone is responsible to be assertive and challenge the actions of others if unsafe practices become apparent.*
- The use of good, common sense when operating motor vehicles and participating in off-duty recreational activities.*

*The most important facet of every successful safety program is leadership. At all levels, leadership is the fundamental means to prevent accidental death, injury, and equipment damage. Collectively, we must strive to take care of one another and preserve our most important warfighting assets, our personnel and equipment.*



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