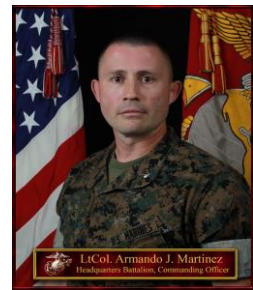




SAFETY AND WARRIOR PRESERVATION



Safety Mission Statement

Leaders at all levels of the command shall place a priority on maintaining readiness by eliminating preventable mishaps and preserving our most precious assets – our Marines, Sailors, Federal Civilians, and equipment.

Force preservation is vital to our readiness, and as such, the safety of our force must be at the forefront of all daily operations and training, as well as during leave and liberty activities. Safety and warrior preservation go hand-in-hand with my command philosophy of **Camaraderie** and **Unit Cohesion** – death, serious injury, and the loss of materiel assets due to mishaps can cripple our team. It is imperative that we set the example through strictly adhering to the standards, incorporating risk management, correcting unsafe practices, and setting the conditions to guard against any mishaps.

Proactive and engaged leadership, regardless of rank or position, is essential to the safe execution of our mission. Leaders must be aware of indications and warning signs of distress and potentially unsafe conditions. Marines, Sailors, and Federal Civilians are expected to take an active role in ensuring mission accomplishment, appropriate risk identification and mitigation, and preservation of our force. Embed the risk management process in planning for training and daily operations, as well as both on and off duty activities. Conduct periodic operational pauses to provide training, review procedures, and assess the command's safety posture.

Marines, Sailors, and Federal Civilians are fundamental components of mission readiness and accomplishment. We must all be vigilant in our responsibilities to mitigate risk and foster a climate of safety. Apply safe practices and live up to the battalion motto: Mission First, People Always.

The Headquarters Battalion Safety Officer has direct access to me for all safety matters and is responsible for supporting the Executive Officer in the execution of the command's safety program; ensuring the staff is appropriately trained; and providing advice, direction, and guidance to the command regarding safety standards.

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