



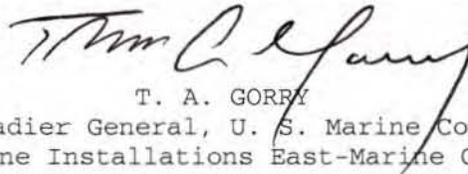
COMMANDING GENERAL'S POLICY ON SAFETY

Protecting the lives of everyone working, training, residing aboard, or visiting Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune or any Marine Corps Installations East command is a top priority. An aggressive and comprehensive safety and risk management program implemented through the appropriate chain of command is critical in preventing mishaps.

Since our fundamental mission is to support the warfighter, we must remain focused and dedicated to meet the demands and challenges inherent in an environment of high operational tempo. To this end, all military and civilian employees need to be 100% ready, and remember that we are an integral part of a warfighting team. In garrison, our daily responsibilities may seem less challenging than those forward-deployed, but we must ensure that individual judgment and unit responsibility enhance the preservation of our Marines, Sailors, and civilians.

Whether mishaps occur during an operational exercise or on liberty, the loss of that injured person's manpower and expertise diminishes our ability to complete our mission. At war, risk management and taking care of each other works and makes sense to Marines - no Marine fights alone and no Marine is left behind. Taking care of our fellow Marines is a proud and time-honored tradition that we embrace at every base and station.

It is vitally important that we understand that the choices we make may have consequences that affect the rest of our lives, as well as our loved ones. I task each and every one of you to be conscious of your actions and vigilant in your efforts to maintain your individual and our unit readiness.



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