"WARRIORS MANAGE RISK, THEY ARE NOT VICTIMS OF IT. BE SMART. BE THERE FOR THE FIGHT."

As the Commanding Officer of Marine Corps Base Hawaii, I am committed to the safety and well-being of every Marine, Sailor and civilian who works, resides on, or accesses this installation. To achieve this mission critical task, I expect all officers, noncommissioned officers, civilian managers, and employees to aggressively execute our Command Safety Program and employ Risk Management to safeguard our most precious resources – the Marines, Sailors, civilians, and families that make up the Marine Corps Base Hawaii Team.

Our mission is important, and there is inherent risk involved in the execution of daily operations. All Marine Corps Base Hawaii personnel are Safety Leaders, and are tasked to apply sound risk management principles at all levels for daily tasks and training evolutions. Detecting, eliminating, and controlling risk is fundamental in the prevention of mishaps. Risk management is part of everyone’s leadership and management responsibility, which balances training and work task requirements with known risks and the mission at hand to achieve satisfactory completion. Our leaders positively influence safe behavior by setting the example and holding their personnel accountable for their behavior and performance. Safety is a direct by-product of our professionalism and leadership at all levels.

Safety is a value rather than a priority. Priorities change, values do not. While providing the required Base Operating Support functions for execution of the overall Marine Corps mission, all personnel must share in the responsibility for maintaining safety while adhering to all relevant compliance standards and Federal regulations. I challenge you to work with me to take full ownership of our safety efforts by ensuring a positive safety culture throughout the command.

By working together we can achieve an exemplary Safety and Occupational Health Program, while improving the delivery of support to our tenant activities.

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