



Marine Corps Safety

“Safety First, Safety Always”



Marines are trained to think safety first, safety always

Safety is integral to everything we do on Okinawa: on and off-duty, on and off-base.

- Keeping Marines safe means we stay ready to accomplish the mission of the alliance
- Keeping our community safe keeps a strong, supportive environment of mutual trust, which enables mission accomplishment
- Safety is not sacrificed for expediency or convenience in any situation
- Every Marine is expected to identify hazards and take actions to correct them
- Operations, exercises, tasks and liberty events are reviewed for safety considerations
- We aggressively implement lessons learned when unsafe conditions are identified

Ground Operations Safety

- Marine drivers attend specific road safety courses with Okinawa-specific information and training
- All motorized equipment is checked regularly, prior to use and after each mission to ensure safety
- Incidents and accidents are investigated thoroughly; results are integrated into new safety practices
- Specific community-minded regulations govern driving military vehicles off-base
 - Expressway use restrictions
 - Time of day restrictions
 - Restrictions on culturally sensitive events and dates



Marine vehicles are checked for safe operation

Air Operations Safety

- All pilots, aircrew, and maintainers receive daily, monthly, quarterly and yearly safety training and reviews
- All aircraft are inspected for safety regularly, prior to flight operations and after each mission
- Aviation incidents are investigated thoroughly; results are integrated into new safety practices
- Specific community-minded regulations govern flight times and operations over populated areas
 - Weekend restrictions
 - Time of day restrictions
 - Restrictions on culturally sensitive events and dates



Marine aircraft are checked for safe operation

Off-Duty Safety

- Comprehensive safety rules are in place that govern off-base activities
- Marines receive safety education & local culture brief prior to liberty
- Marines who drive vehicles in Okinawa attend safe driving course
- Okinawa Prefectural Police provide driver safety education
- Traffic violators are punished
- Off base violations are handled under the Japanese legal system
- Biannual training periods with safety experts refresh safety habits
- Specific rules govern liberty
 - Liberty expiration times
 - Listing of off-limits locations



Marines are trained to be safe off duty

Safety training is continuous

- Every Marine learns safety first and safety best practices as part of entry-level training
- All Marines are required to attend annual safety refresher training
- All Marines receive comprehensive safety training focusing on seasonal activities
- All Marines are required to obtain specific types of safety training based on their job

Marine Corps Key Safety Programs:

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| - Aeromedical Safety | - Explosive and Munitions Safety | - Heat Injury Prevention | - Traffic Safety |
| - Aviation Safety | - Fire Protection | - Laser Safety | - Tactical Safety |
| - Compressed Gas Safety | - Ground Safety | - Off Duty Safety | - Civilian Safety |
| - Electromagnetic Safety | - Hazmat Safety | - Operational Risk Management | Specialists |
| - Emergency Services | - Hearing Conservation | - Range Safety | |

Our most valuable assets are our individual Marines - we do our utmost to protect them.

Our most valuable relationships are with our community neighbors - we do our utmost to keep our community safe.

