

# Commanding Officer's Safety and Force Preservation Policy



The mission of Headquarters and Service Battalion is people-centric, in that people are our center of gravity and the key to a successful mission. Safety, force preservation, and the well-being of every Marine, Sailor, and Civilian, must be the centerpiece of our on and off duty actions. Enabling a safe and healthy environment from which we work and live can only be achieved if all personnel work together to ensure risk management is implemented into all activities. Additionally, whether on or off-duty, safety must be continuously exercised to not only protect you, but also your co-workers and fellow Marines.

This command will be proactive in promoting safety awareness and appreciation. Although the Battalion Director of Safety has been assigned to encourage, emphasize and enforce safety compliance, it is up to every Marine, Sailor and Civilian Marine of Headquarters and Service Battalion to practice good safety habits. Safety vigilance on everyone's part is necessary to make Henderson Hall a safe and secure place to live and work.

All staff members will understand that safety considerations are not an afterthought, but a part of life. Overlooking small safety concerns will only lead to habits that allow catastrophic mishaps. All personnel should understand that accountability is everyone's responsibility, and it's expected that each individual has the courage to do the right thing.

Headquarters and Service Battalion will be committed to upholding all federal, DoD and Marine Corps occupational safety and health regulations. Safety and risk management are around-the-clock priorities that must be integrated in all work efforts and leisure pursuits to ensure the health and safety of all members of the Marine Corps team at Henderson Hall.

Questions or concerns can be directed to the Director of Safety at 703-614-1900 in BLDG 29.

Semper Fidelis,

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