

**COMMANDING OFFICER  
INFORMATION GROUP  
II MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE**

**SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT**



Our Nation remains in conflict and prepared to respond to the ever-changing global security environment. The II MEF Information Group is vital to supporting any contingency. Every Marine, Sailor, Solider, civilian, and piece of equipment assigned to this command is needed to accomplish our mission - providing the supported commander with premier, fully operational, and combat-ready units. Safety is an integral component to our combat readiness whether that is in the air, on the ground, in the work place, or off-duty. Combat Readiness does not come at the expense of safety; rather safety is part of being combat-ready. If something is worth doing, it is worth doing it right the first time. Our focus within the MIG will be developing a “culture of safety.”

**Professionalism.** Failure to do things in a professional manner results in mishaps and mishaps equate to mission failure. We cannot afford to fail. Safety and professionalism know no rank. As professionals, we operate to the letter and spirit of published standards; we exercise mature and professional judgment; we do not take short cuts. Approach every task and activity with the understanding that nothing is worth the loss of life, serious injury, or loss of equipment because we were distracted or became complacent.

**Attitude.** Safety is a mindset that supports our warrior ethos. Do not allow something unsafe or unprofessional to continue with the thought that someone else will take care of it. We are all leaders of Marines - take charge and communicate. Even the little things matter and can make the difference between success and failure. Remember a sound plan professionally executed, from inception through execution, is inherently safe.

**Readiness.** Approach every task, every event, every liberty/leave period as a mission profile. Pre-Combat Checks and Inspections and Combat Orders are the standards that make us successful in combat, training, abroad, and at home. A casualty in our ranks is a victory for our enemies. Look out for your fellow Marines, Sailors, and civilians both on and off duty – they are your brothers and sisters.

To all personnel assigned to II MIG:

- Display a professional attitude and demeanor – always.
- Know, abide by, and teach/reinforce established rules and procedures.
- Aggressively participate in efforts to identify and eliminate hazards; make on-the-spot corrections.
- Know and respect your limitations.

  
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