



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS, 447TH SIGNAL BATTALION  
15TH REGIMENTAL SIGNAL BRIGADE  
FORT GORDON, GEORGIA 30905

REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum #5 - Safety Policy

1. Safety is an issue that is of the utmost concern to this battalion. Death, injury, and loss or destruction of government property involves intolerable costs in terms of suffering and resources which all leaders have an obligation to prevent.
2. As commander, I am the battalion's senior safety officer. I will be fully involved in prevention efforts throughout my command. I expect all Soldiers to be aware of their individual safety responsibilities and to act accordingly. We must be constantly aware of the hazards that surround us, both on and off duty while also taking positive steps to prevent accidents.
3. Commanders will conduct seasonal safety classes in a timely manner. Additionally, they must conduct thorough safety briefings/inspections in conjunction with weekends and holidays. Commanders must be tough when dealing with those who knowingly ignore safety procedures and requirements. I expect commanders to conduct risk assessments for all training events and to strictly enforce safety standards. I further expect all leaders to be vigilant in scanning the environment for safety hazards and taking appropriate actions to prevent accidents and injuries.
4. Nothing we do in peacetime is worth risking the lives of our Soldiers or damaging government equipment. I challenge all leaders to ensure we have a safe environment in which to live and work.
5. Point of contact for this action is the undersigned at 791-5841.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. Ruder", is positioned above the typed name.

DANIEL J. RUDER  
LTC, SC  
Commanding

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