

U. S. MARINE CORPS INSTALLATIONS NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO

Safety Policy Statement



The Crossroads of the Marine Corps is a critical element to the success of the Marine Corps and the National Capital Region. Ensuring the safety and well-being of every Marine and Civilian Marines working/residing on this installation is an important aspect of our success. To succeed in this critical task, all leaders will aggressively execute our Command Safety and Risk Management programs in order to safeguard our most precious resource, the Marines, Sailors, Civilian Marines, and families who make up the Marine Corps Base Quantico (MCBQ) team.



While our mission is important, it cannot be at the expense of injuries to our personnel or damage to equipment. All leaders will apply sound risk management principles at all levels. Detecting, eliminating, and controlling risk is fundamental in the prevention of mishaps.

Safety is a shared responsibility between individuals and their leaders. Creating an appropriate command climate is our obligation and requires involvement from all personnel aboard Quantico. To achieve this climate, we will implement the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) by:

- Encouraging total commitment to VPP from senior leaders to individual workers not simply rhetoric or delegation of responsibility, but to strive to sustain an exemplary occupational and safety health environment.
- Committed to integrate personnel safety and regulatory compliance into all work evolutions.
- Foster honor, courage, and commitment to do the right thing.
- Create a culture, which motivates workers to watch out for their fellow Marines and co-workers in the identification of unsafe conditions and near misses, as well as in the use of personal protective equipment.
- Train each other in the ideals and concepts promoted through VPP to maintain a safe and healthful work environment for our co-workers and the entire work community.
- Get involved, be part of the solution!

I challenge all to work towards becoming an OSHA VPP Star Site by January 2018. VPP is an employee protection program that requires partnership between management, employees, and the local AFGE 1786 union. It starts with changing the safety culture, continuous process improvement and change management. By working together we can achieve an exemplary occupational safety and health atmosphere aboard MCBQ and improve base operating support to our tenant activities.

Finally, everyone is a Safety Officer. You are officially appointed as the Safety Officer for those around you and for those events you come in contact with during your day. You are authorized to challenge, stop, or raise the issue to your supervisor or union representative whenever you believe an unsafe action is about to occur.

"Empowering Change Through Our Involvement"

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