## **2d Network Battalion Safety Policy**

Proficient - Ethical - Accountable - Loyal

Our goal is <u>mission accomplishment</u>, and people accomplish missions. They are the soul of our Corps and our most precious resource. I am committed to the health and safety of our entire team. As such, at 2d Network Battalion, we will establish a culture of safety by mitigating risk through training, planning, and effective decision-making.

Operational excellence demands that all members of the battalion continually seek to identify hazards, assess risk, and implement risk controls. We will proactively implement safety during planning to minimize mishaps and their impacts on manpower availability, equipment readiness, and both unit and individual performance. Operational Risk Management (ORM) as outlined in MCO 3500.27B, is the process we will apply during planning, operations, training, and non-operational activities. This process enables us to implement controls and set conditions for the prevention of mishaps. ORM must permeate our general thought process and decision-making cycle – we must think and apply risk mitigation in all that we do.

Remember: It is much more challenging to plan your way out of an unsafe situation than it is to plan your way into a safe situation. Consider safety during all planning events.

The Department of Defense, Marine Corps, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Cyberspace Command, and Marine Corps Cyberspace Operations Group Orders provide safety policy and guidance. These orders are the basis for developing an aggressive and effective safety program. The 2d Network Battalion Safety Officer plays a central role in developing and implementing the unit safety program. The responsibility for the practical application of the program lies with each Marine, civilian, and contractor. Orders are our guideposts, but safety analysis and planning will be inherent to all we do. Bottom line, safety is a matter of common-sense leadership.

As we establish our culture of safety, we must remember that it is *our* culture. I demand each teammate ensure that we maintain our culture of safety, adhering to and implementing the appropriate safety related policies and measures into our daily routines. Thank you for all that you do to accomplish our mission every day!

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