

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS 92D AIR REFUELING WING (AMC) HEADQUARTERS 141ST AIR REFUELING WING (WA ANG) FAIRCHILD AIR FORCE BASE WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR FAIRCHILD AFB

FROM: 92 ARW/CC AND 141 ARW/CC

SUBJECT: Fairchild Safety Policy

1. Members of Team Fairchild represent the world's finest Total Force Airmen, providing responsive air refueling and agile combat support across the full range of military operations. We champion the mission and ensure combat readiness for all airmen through a deliberate process to protect our people, families, and resources. Cultivating a culture of continuous risk management, both on and off-duty, is at the heart of mission success.

2. Risk is inherent to our daily lives. All missions, operations, and activities conducted on or off-duty should utilize three overarching risk management principles:

a. Accept No Unnecessary Risk. Accept only necessary risks to accomplish the mission or task. The most logical choices for accomplishing a mission meet all mission requirements while exposing personnel and resources to the lowest acceptable risk. Balancing the cost and benefits is a subjective process tied intimately with factors affecting the mission or activity.

b. **Make Risk Decisions at the Appropriate Level**. Leaders and individuals must be aware of how much risk they can accept and when to elevate risk decisions to a higher level. Those accountable for the success or failure of the mission or activity must be fully engaged in the risk decision process.

c. Integrate Risk Management Early at All Phases and Levels. To effectively apply risk management, commanders, supervisors, and personnel must dedicate time and resources to integrate these principles into planning, operational processes, and day-to-day activities. Risk assessment of operations and activities are most successful when they are preplanned and accomplished by individuals directly involved in the event. Any amount of preplanning accomplished, even in a time-constrained environment, is better than no planning at all.

3. Members of Team Fairchild must actively participate in risk management. Our success depends on your ability to identify and mitigate risks at every level. Through deliberate risk management we will protect lives and assets while fueling global reach at the speed of war.

4. For further information on safety related issues, contact 92 ARW Safety at (509) 247-2141 or 141 ARW Safety at (509) 247-7026.

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