

## INFORMATION PAPER

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SUBJECT: Army Spring Safety Program

PURPOSE: To provide information pertaining to the Army Spring Safety Program for the Partner Luncheon on 25 March 2010.

1. MAJOR CAMPAIGN THEME: Focus on high rates of accidents soldiers have had with Privately Owned Vehicles (POV) particularly sport Motorcycles such as the Suzuki Hayabusa). Civilian accidents continue primarily from back injuries, slips, trips and falls and overuse injuries.

2. RESOURCES: IMCOM has an excellent Spring/Winter pamphlet available on line: <http://www.imcom.army.mil/hq/kd/cache/files/E9FD853C-423D-452D-4F083CE70A12029D.pdf> It covers themes such as: personal safety, household safety, recreational safety, workplace safety, travel safety, and holiday safety. Winter Safety is still available:

<http://www.imcom.army.mil/hq/kd/cache/files/A646957B-423D-452D-4533674F990FF846.pdf>

a. The post newspaper, *Sound-Off*.

<http://www.ftmeade.army.mil/pages/soundoff.html?pnpid=970&om=0>

b. The safety web page <http://www.ftmeade.army.mil/pages/safety/safety.html>

c. The Ft Meade Twitter acct. <http://twitter.com/meadetv>

d. Postings on the Ft Meade AKO folder:

<https://www.us.army.mil/suite/kc/7598866>

e. Ft Meade post master e-mailings

f. Coordination with Collateral Duty Safety Representatives (CDSR)

g. Distributing Videos, Posters, Flyers, brochures --especially at Post events.

Many personnel find it useful to drop by the Safety Office to pick up materials and discuss safety issues.

h. Presentations at Safety and Occupational Health Advisory Committee (SOHAC), Town Halls, Partner Luncheons, Community Councils, etc

i. The Safety Office offers a wealth of safety promotional material available for distribution. The Safety Office continues to work with CDSRs and with each partner to share safety promotional resources such as magazines and DVDs as well as instruction on access to the Army's safety materials at the Combat Readiness safety Center <https://safety.army.mil/>. A link to a Spring Safety Campaign article is here:

[https://safety.army.mil/knowledge\\_online/march2007/SpringFever/tabid/313/Default.aspx](https://safety.army.mil/knowledge_online/march2007/SpringFever/tabid/313/Default.aspx)

A list of some spring/summer safety topics at this page are:

[Be prepared for the next disaster](#) (Hurricane Awareness)

[Pedal your way to safety](#) (Bicycle Safety)

Hydrate to stay in the fight (Drink enough Water)

Keep your head above water (Swimming Safety)

Boating and personal water craft, or PWC, safety (Boating Safety)

Cell phones compete for drivers' attention (Cell Phone Safety)

Kill the flame: Grills cause more than 2,000 fires each year (Grilling Safety)

Don't give bacteria the upper hand (Hygiene)

A safety video is available here:

<https://safety.army.mil/multimedia/VIDEOLIBRARY/VideoPlayer/TabId/421/VideoId/311/Joint-Fall-And-Winter-Safety-FY10-Message.aspx>

3. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has a great link <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/winter/guide.asp#car> which lists items that help prevent disaster in the event you are stranded in your car.

**March Is Eye Safety Month**

<http://www.wellnessjunction.com/athome/ergonomics/eyes.htm>