



THE LATEST FROM THE NAVAL SAFETY CENTER

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1. **VCNO Creates Summer Safety Video** – Admiral Michelle Howard discusses making the right decisions during the summer season. She points out that it's important to have a plan and to follow it for any summer activity. It isn't acceptable to drink when driving a car, motorcycle, ATV, or boat. Sailors should have fun during the summer, but they should do it safely. The YouTube link is at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j7YZstiEZIo>.

You can find the other Naval Safety Center videos on our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/navalsafetycenter.



2. **Motorcycle Mishap and Training Update** – All of the nine Sailors killed in motorcycle wrecks to date in FY15 were males. The median age was 28. Five had been riding sport bikes. 56% of the mishaps were we're due to other vehicles in the rider's path. As of 6 July 2015, The Navy was at 79% training compliance for non-sport bikes and 78% training compliance for sport bikes. Training compliance for the current fatalities is 67%, which means that 33% of the riders who were killed were operating a motorcycle without having completed both required courses. As of July 13, 206 motorcycle mishaps have been reported in WESS for FY15.

Training: Many motorcycle classes are being cancelled due to low or no enrollment. There must be at least four students enrolled in a class three days before the class start date or the class will be cancelled. Students can't wait until the day before to sign up for a class; they must plan in advance and get supervisor authorization to attend if the class is on a work day.

In California, the motorcycle classes have changed. The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) no longer has the California Motorcyclist Safety Program (CMSP) contract. Total Control has the CMSP contract and is also the traffic safety contractor in NRSW for the CNIC centrally funded traffic-safety contract. As a result of this change, the names of the motorcycle classes have also changed. The Level One class (which was the MSF BRC) is now the Total Control Basic Riding Clinic (TC-BRC). The Level Two classes (which were the ARC, BRC2 and MSRC) have been replaced with the Total Control Intermediate Riding Clinic (IRC). There are still some installations that are teaching the MSF courses, but all of them will be transitioning to the Total Control courses once their ranges get repainted and new training supplies arrive at the sites.



3. **GEICO Awards** – It's that time of year to start to consider candidates for the GEICO military service awards program, which recognizes enlisted members of the military for the many contributions they make to their local community and the nation in their dual role as "citizen and soldier." Award winners will be recognized at a special ceremony in Washington, D.C., where each winner will receive a plaque to commemorate their accomplishment as well as a cash honorarium of 2,500 dollars from the GEICO philanthropic foundation. GEICO will pay for lodging and round-trip transportation to Washington for the winner and their guest. See ALSAFE 035-15 for more details (http://www.public.navy.mil/navsafecen/Documents/messages/ALSAFEs_2015/ALSAFE15-035.txt). Last year we had 34 packages submitted Navy-wide, and we're hoping to get more than 40 this year.

4. The Purpose of Safety Management Systems – An effective command SMS supports the objectives of all levels of naval safety programs, so it's important first to understand its nature and purpose. When command leaders can understand and explain the safety management system itself, its purpose, and its objectives, the general level of safety awareness in the command will improve. The building blocks of an SMS broadly consist of the written policies, procedures, and plans, coupled with attitudes and practices to enable effective risk management. Specific parts comprise an overarching SMS, but in a nutshell, it is “what we say and what we do” about risk management. An SMS identifies hazards and mitigate risks in all environments and operations. The naval SMS preserves human and material resources and enhances combat readiness through:



- Leadership commitment,
- Establishment and enforcement of high standards of conduct and performance,
- Safety awareness training, and
- Risk management models.

5. Naval Safety Center's Safety Leadership Award – Captain Brendan J. Murphy was the first recipient of this new award, which provide the CNO and COMNAVSAFECEN (as CNO Special Assistant for Safety Matters) with a way to recognize leadership excellence in safety and risk management across a wide variety of military and civilian occupational specialties.

CAPT Murphy was recognized for his work as Director, Fleet Safety on the staff of Commander, United States Fleet Forces Command from June 2014 to June 2015. In that role, he helped advance key mishap-reduction initiatives that have played a vital role in preserving the combat readiness and mission capability of the Navy. He coordinated the release of the U.S. Fleet Forces and U.S. Pacific Fleet Safety Campaign Plan in June 2014, and translated both Commanders' vision into an executable Operations Order and associated Fragmentary Orders for fleet action. He greatly improved Navy-wide risk management efforts, enhanced communication of lessons learned, increased collaboration across all warfighting communities, and led the effort to create a robust and effective Safety Management System for the Fleet.

There is no recurring timeline for award nominations. Individuals and units may submit nominations, endorsed the by unit's commanding officer, via e-mail or hard-copy correspondence any time of the year. The format includes a cover letter and summary of action, along with any amplifying information deemed necessary by the submitting command to support the nomination.

More details will be available soon in OPNAVINST 1650.28B, currently in routing and expected to be published in August.

6. NETC Collaboration – The Naval Safety Center has established a relationship with Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) N7 Division (N74) regarding the alignment of the Human Performance Requirements Review (HPRR) process in supporting the goals of the Safety Center's ORM program. NETC N74 will ensure that the Safety Center receives a copy of the current fiscal year Annual HPRR Schedule and be included on Learning Center HPRR Announcement, Agenda, and After Action Messages. The intent of this collaboration is to verify and improve ORM training throughout NETC domain schoolhouses.