



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON CAMP PARKS  
BUILDING 790 FIFTH STREET  
CAMP PARKS, CA 94568

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25 May 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR All United States Army Garrison Camp Parks Soldiers and Civilians

SUBJECT: Holiday and Summer Safety 2010

1. This year most of us will celebrate Memorial Day weekend with time off between 28 and 31 May 2010. Memorial Day weekend is a time to commemorate all men and women who have lost their lives while serving in the military. Last year was the first accidental fatality free Memorial Day weekend the Army has experienced in 20 years. Prior planning and use of Composite Risk Management (CRM) will make last year success a future common occurrence.
2. Memorial Day weekend also kicks off the start of the 101 Days of Summer. Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day weekends are among the top five deadliest days of the year averaging 156 traffic accident fatalities per day across the country. I expect all Soldiers and strongly encourage all Civilian employees to utilize the TRiPS planning tool prior to traveling.
3. Traffic accidents are not the only contributors to summer time tragedies. During the summer of 2009 the Army lost three Soldiers to drowning, three to negligent weapons discharges and additional losses to parachuting, horseplay and bicycling. In 2008, there were 299 Soldiers that suffered heat stroke and 1467 Soldiers hospitalized for heat exhaustion. Use of the Work Rest/Water Consumption table will decrease your chances of becoming a heat casualty.
4. The irresponsible use of alcohol has played a role in nearly half of the off duty accidental fatalities the Army experienced in 2009. Abuse of alcohol and poor decisions can quickly lead to tragedy. Each of these incidents were preventable. We must keep this in mind when planning our holiday/summer activities and use the tools provided at <https://www.safety.army.mil> to ensure everyone 'Plays it Safe' this summer.
5. No matter how you choose to spend your time this summer, remember that each of us has a responsibility to ensure the safety of ourselves, our families, our fellow workers and community members, on and off duty. Individual actions have the power to save lives, so speak up and save a life. Have a safe holiday weekend and enjoy your summer.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. P. Friend".

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LTC, AG  
Commanding