



Commanding Officer 2d Low Altitude Air Defense Battalion Substance Abuse Policy



The Marine Corps will always serve as our nation's force in readiness. This means that we must be prepared to go when our country needs us most. I expect all Marines and Sailors of this Battalion to maintain the highest standards of conduct and professionalism at all times. For those of the legal age, **responsible** alcohol use is OK. What is not OK is alcohol abuse or the distribution, possession, use, or trafficking of illegal drugs which adversely affects our ability to accomplish the mission.

The goal of any substance abuse policy is two-fold: create an environment that prevents the adverse effects of abuse on a unit and give a lifeline to those Marines and Sailors who need assistance. **Do not be afraid to ask for help!** The bravest act you can do if you have a problem is to admit it and seek assistance. I will be the first in line to help if necessary.

All members of this command will need to understand that if there is drug or alcohol abuse discovered in this battalion, my responsibility is to adjudicate those offenses in accordance with the UCMJ. Some examples of alcohol and drug offenses include but are not limited to:

- Driving while intoxicated
- Illegal Substance abuse
- Illicit consumption of prescription medication (i.e. taking medicine prescribed to another individual)

Most times, violations of this policy come down to one poor decision. Do not let yourself, or fellow Marine/Sailor, fall prey to this.

If you have any questions or suggestions contact our unit SACO or any of the resources available to you through Navy medicine.

Semper Fidelis,

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