

# ARIZONA SAFETY PINS

Arizona Wing Civil Air Patrol - Auxiliary United States Air Force

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Hi everyone,

## **Tires, Tires Tires!**

Before embarking on that vehicle sortie, we are supposed to check the air pressure in our tires, since we are bent down checking the tire pressure, it's a good idea to check the tire condition for cuts in the tire tread, and foreign object damage (nails, screws, etc.) and check for tire tread depth, after visually checking all four of the tires, move the vehicle forward and check the parts that were concealed on the initial inspection, along with a post trip inspection to determine there was no damage to the tread.

As a Significant Safety Occurrence Reviewer, one of the things that should be asked "did the crew roll the aircraft forward" during the preflight inspection and the post flight inspection, this will determine if the tire was damaged prior to flight or damaged on touchdown.

For the Review Officer, in the Mitigation Plan section the correct choice on choosing the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR) should always be **WING** and not any other OPR such as Operations, Safety or any other choice; choosing Wing keeps the SSO at Wing for implementation and acceptance, otherwise it would incorrectly go to the National level OPR. And state who is responsible (Wing or Squadron SE).



*Example of tire damage that could be concealed by not rolling the aircraft forward during preflight inspection.*

## **CAPSIS REPORTS**

WITNESSES: When a SSO occurs, and an asset is damaged during an activity or someone is injured such as a fainting incident in formation, etc. there are usually witnesses in the immediate location and they should be listed in the SSO report, we are still having issues with members listing witnesses. Sometimes there may be a delay in entering witnesses or victims and this may be true in the case of Cadets, where we have to notify the parents first; if there is a delay to get this done please let us know so we understand the delay in getting this step done so that we know what is going on with the report and we won't have to contact you.

If you are involved in a vehicle accident or other type of incident that requires a Police or other government/outside agency report, you are responsible to furnish a copy of that report to the SSO Review Officer.

## **CAPSIS COURSE**

We still have some members filing CAPSIS reports with no training and ending up getting locked out due to mistakes for not properly entering information. If you are a Senior member, you should be taking this course in AXIS, especially Pilots, Aircrew Cadet Programs Officers and ES participants. If you are a Safety Officer you should definitely be taking this course, and National Headquarters is tracking to ensure all Safety Officers complete this course.

## **CAPF160's**

The Region Safety Officer has indicated that he expects activity CAPF160's uploaded when reporting an SSO, these forms are required for all meeting activities & sub-activities such as PT, Sports, or any activity outside of a normal squadron meeting etc. if they are not uploaded to the SSO report, we will be calling asking for them.

## **WING NOTIFICATIONS**

When a Significant Safety Occurrence is entered into the CAPSIS reporting system, make sure that you notify the persons listed on the Wing Safety Pyramid, contact means you ***talked*** to the persons listed, ***not leaving just a voicemail, text message or email***. It's also very very important in the case of a Cadet that the parent or guardian is notified by telephone by the activity/squadron staff before entering an SSO report that an incident has occurred so they are not surprised when they receive an email notification from the reporting system that their Cadet has been involved in an SSO.

## **ARIZONA WING SAFETY DIRECTOR MISSION STATEMENT**

***The Safety Directorate of the Arizona Wing Civil Air Patrol strives to ensure safe operations and risk mitigation for both personnel and assets, not only in the performance of our Missions, but also in our everyday Lives and to provide the educational groundwork for sound Operational Risk Management decision making and in everyday Safety Practices.***

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## ARIZONA WING "NOTAMS"

### FY2023 SIGNIFICANT SAFETY OCCURRENCES

Significant Safety Occurrence(SSO) summaries are published to alert Wing Members of SSO's that have occurred in the Arizona Wing.

**FY23-1216 05-09-2023:** Bald spot on tire down to cord discovered on aircraft tire post flight.

**FY23-1245 05-20-2023:** Cadet Member fainted due to Dehydration.

**FY23-1293 06-03-2023:** Cadet injured during PT event.

**FY23-1340 06-12-2023:** Cadet slipped and fell during Squadron Sports event.

**FY23-1363 06-15-2023:** CAP Van involved in motor vehicle accident.

### OPERATION PULSE LIFT

Operation Pulse Lift's fourth annual "100-Days of Giving Campaign," contesting the "100-Days of Summer," the most lethal period in our nation for injuries and deaths from accidents. Again, it runs from Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend. Let's get the word out to all wings to help beat the predicted survivability curve with our collections and donations over the summer.

Operation Pulse Lift has a new web page. You can find it and activity sub links at *Operation Pulse Lift | Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters* (gocivilairpatrol.com). The sub links include schedules, locations, instructions on how to set up a Blood Donor Center.

<https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/emergency-services/operation-pulse-lift>

## **How is Your CRM?**

By Capt. John Bryant SWR-AZ-064

Many times, flight briefings are tied directly to the flight release. The pilot calls the FRO and gets briefed and released the evening before a mission. Then, the pilot is expected to brief the crew. This becomes the “telephone game,” when one person gets the information and is expected to share all the information with two other people. Some information may get lost in translation. The crew/cockpit resource management process relies upon the crew working as a team and an integral part is situational awareness. CRM supports optimization of mission performance, because proper mission performance requires the entire crew.

At the time-of-flight release, the pilot may not be able to attest to the condition of each crew member.

Especially in a training situation, where the crew may not be familiar with each other when it comes to health concerns, experience, and how they will respond to changing conditions, a pilot probably cannot, and should not be able to report the status of the crew during flight release. CRM begins before a crew even arrives at the airport and should be treated as such.

One solution is to have the whole crew participate in the briefing and flight release with the pilot. At that time, the briefer/ FRO can lay out the mission specifics and establish expectations of deliverables for each member of the crew and can address any questions and safety concerns that the crew may have.

Crew members in training may need more information and instruction to clarify details. The FRO is responsible for knowing that the flight is safe to release.

Safety is key and the key word “IM SAFE” is a checklist that pilots use to assess readiness to fly.

This is important not only for the pilot, but CRM implies that the entire crew should meet this readiness check.

“IM SAFE” evaluates personal conditions to evaluate in the areas of Illness, Medication, Stress, Alcohol, Fatigue, and Emotion. This is a check for more than just the pilot. Any crew who wishes to maintain good CRM should always be able to report “IM SAFE”.

## **FIREWORKS SAFETY**

By Lt Col Laura Markiewicz SE, Neotoma Composite Squadron

At least nine people died and an estimated 11,500 people were injured in fireworks-related accidents last year, according to a report from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

"It's imperative that consumers know the risks involved in using fireworks, so injuries and tragedies can be prevented," commission Chair Alex Hoehn-Saric said. "The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to watch professional displays."

In a study last year (that included the Fourth of July), the CPSC found that men were more likely to be injured than women, people ages 20-24 had the highest rate of injuries and victims most commonly injured their hands and fingers.

### **Here are a few tips on the safe use of fireworks:**

§ Light fireworks outside, one at a time and without placing your body directly over the device. Then, quickly move away. Don't try to relight malfunctioning fireworks.

§ Never hold lit fireworks in your hands. Also, never point or throw fireworks at anyone.

§ Have a bucket of water or a working garden hose nearby in case of an emergency.

§ Soak used *and unused* fireworks in water before throwing them away.

§ Don't let children ignite or play with fireworks, including sparklers.

§ Don't use fireworks if you're impaired by illness, drugs or alcohol.

### **If you have Pets, read on...Fireworks Safety for Pets:**

#### **1. Know your pets and make a plan based on their needs.**

If your pet has a history of anxiety, see a vet early about possibly prescribing medication to help the animal relax. If you have a new pet, assume that things will not go well and act accordingly.

## **2. Make sure pets can be easily identified.**

It's not uncommon for pets to have the impulse to run when they're startled and many wind up at shelters. The majority of them got away because they were nervous or someone left the door open. Identification is the surest way your pet can be returned to you. Make sure you have a current picture of your pet on hand. Check that your pet's ID tags are secure and up to date with your pet's name and your contact information. If your pet is microchipped, make sure all the information is current.

If your pet does get away from you, call your local and surrounding county shelter and leave a missing pet report. Post on social media, including local Facebook pages, and don't underestimate the power of missing pet flyers

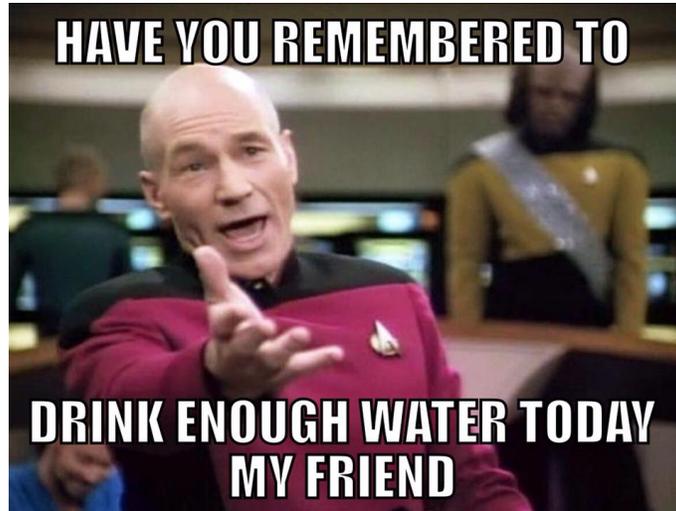
**3. Don't bring pets to fireworks displays.** Leave pets at home if you're planning to go out to see the fireworks. Not only can pets be overstimulated by crowds but fireworks can cause damage to their sensitive ears and cause fear.

**4. Create a quiet, calm environment at home.** Close and cover windows; relocate pet crates, beds, or kennels to quieter places in the house; put on sounds other than fireworks, such as the TV, radio, or white noise. Bring outdoor pets inside for the evening, and make sure they have plenty of room. For pets that tend to hide when afraid or nervous, allow them to do so; set them up there with a bed, their food and water. Allow them to come and go from their safe space as they please. Do not lock them in a single room or small space as that can sometimes increase anxiety and can cause them to hurt themselves or damage items trying to escape.

**5. If you're staying home with your pets, keep calm.** One of the best ways to relax pets when they are nervous is to remain relaxed yourself. Create an environment that's positive and as close to normal as possible. If you are anxious, your pet will be too.

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