

# ARIZONA SAFETY PINS

Arizona Wing Civil Air Patrol - Auxiliary United States Air Force

**SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2023**

***Be Civil Air Patrol Safe... Be Arizona Wing Safe!***



Hi everyone,

## **HIGH ADVENTURE REQUEST FORMS**

After consulting with the Wing Vice Commander, this is the procedure we would like to implement going forward with the Cadet High Adventure Activity form (F60-82) request submissions for a Wing Commander signature. Please be sure to allow ample lead time and plan ahead for action on these requests, a ten day lead time is recommended to allow all persons to review.

The completed HAA form with requests for a Wing Commander signature should be sent to the Wing Commander and cc-ed to the Vice Wing Commander and the Wing Chief of Staff, this will ensure that someone from the Command Staff will see the request as well as the Wing Commander will sign it in a timely manner for action.

After receiving the signed HAA form F60-82 from the Wing Commander, the requestor can attach it to the OPSS Activity Request, and it will be reviewed along with the CAPF160 for Safety approval. This should facilitate faster turnaround time on HAA activity approvals.

Please share this information with members of your squadron who initiate OPSS requests, especially Cadet Programs personnel.

### **Schools are Open**

Please make certain to drive slower, especially in the mornings and afternoons when schools are commencing. Watch out for School Buses that are stopped with the STOP ARM out. Watch your speed in School Zones (15 MPH) in most places.

## **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.***

## **ARIZONA WING CIVIL AIR PATROL STAFF**

Wing Commander: Col. Robert Pinckard  
Wing Vice Commander: Lt. Col. Linda Yaeger  
Chief of Staff: Lt. Col. Mark Schadt  
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North Command Area: Captain Henry “Dodd” Martin (ADY)  
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## **Southwest Region Director of Safety**

Lt. Col. John Kruger, Jr.

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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.

**FY23-1530 07-05-2023:** Cadet injured by Dog.

**FY23-1541 06-30-2023:** CAP aircraft involved in Traffic Pattern incident.

**FY23-1724 07-27-2023:** CAP aircraft involved in Traffic Pattern incident.

### RECOGNITION

Lt Col Laura Markiewicz	Cochise Composite Squadron	National Safety Officer College 2023
Major David Roden	Falcon Composite Squadron	National Safety Officer College 2023
Captain John A Bryant	Falcon Composite Squadron	Senior Safety Rating 07-18-2023
Captain Henry Martin	Prescott Composite Squadron	Senior Safety Rating 08-27-2023

# WORK ZONE SAFETY

By: Lt Col Linda Yaeger AZ-001



Jul 2000 Federal Communication Commission (FCC) designated 511 as the single travel information telephone number.

Arizona was a first adopter with 40 states now using it. Presently, data is inserted from 89 locations ranging from ADOT Districts, several cities, the Highway Patrol, National Forest and Weather Services, and Grand Canyon National Park.

**The Arizona Traveler Information system provides the latest information on conditions along the state highway system. Access the system in three ways:**

**Web:** Visit the az511 Interactive Map

**Mobile:** Download the AZ511 app

**Phone:** Call 511 from a hands-free device

National Weather Service (.gov) OR many mobile apps.

## **Expect the Unexpected**

To stay safe in road construction zones, you must be alert and aware, use defensive driving, and be prepared for potential danger. Dedicate your full attention to the roadway and avoid changing radio stations or using cell phones.



Preventable rear-end collisions are the most common type of work zone crash.

Maintain two car lengths between you and the car in front of you as well as road crews and their equipment.

Motorists can help maintain traffic flow and posted speeds by merging as directed by signage. Roadway work is very dynamic with several ongoing work operations synchronized to result in a finished product. This is usually true for both long and short duration work as it is generally more efficient and safer to implement traffic control for the entire length of the work zone.

If you are driving to and from Flagstaff beware of the I-17 Southbound: Coconino County Line - McConnell Bridge Pavement Rehabilitation. Construction will be completed by fall 2024 so expect reduced speed limits. Motorists should anticipate single-lane restrictions in two-mile segments.

***There are a few certainties in life: death, taxes, and the fact that, inevitably, traffic will become backed up during road construction.***

Rumble strips—raised pavement markings that are put down across both the full width of the road as well as perpendicular to the direction of traffic—are used to alert drivers to slow down and pay attention.

There's nothing else that can alert a driver to pay attention more than the loud rumble vibration underneath your vehicle when you drive over them.



As you approach a road construction zone, keeping a safe distance from other vehicles and construction work is essential. Maintain an appropriate speed and be mindful of sudden stops or lane changes the other drivers require. Avoid tailgating, and make sure you have a clear view of the road before you.

When driving in or near a road construction zone, it is important to follow detours. Detours provide an alternate, safe driving route that bypasses the construction.

No matter the time of day, using your headlights when passing through a road construction zone is important. This is important for two reasons: to alert those working in the zone of your presence and to make it easier for you to see any potential hazards.

Be wary that workers may be entering or crossing the road. By keeping a safe distance, you can reduce the risk of a collision and ensure the safety of yourself and those around you.

*Whether it be a crane, bulldozer, excavator, or machine, it is important not to assume that the operator is aware of your presence. Assume no one has seen you, and always drive at a safe speed and distance from heavy machinery and their operators.*

Road construction zones are high-risk work areas that can be dangerous for workers and passersby. Construction workers are especially vulnerable to serious injuries due to hazardous materials, tools, and drivers.



Even a fender bender or flat tire that only takes 10 minutes to clear can delay traffic for an entire hour. When this happens in construction zones, it leads to more congestion, more frustration, and longer commute times.

Remember, some work zones — like those where workers are line painting, road patching and mowing — are mobile, meaning the workers move down the road as the work is finished.

To ensure the safe passage of vehicles during construction, traffic workers are often used to direct traffic along modified routes. Usually, there is a sign that reads “flagger ahead” to tell you traffic may be stopped or escorted.

It goes without saying, but stopping is easier when you are traveling at or below the recommended work zone speed limit. To stay safe around the extra hazards found in work zones, you should practice defensive driving.

Scan far and wide for hazards                      Anticipate other drivers’ actions

Keep extra distance between workers, barriers and equipment

Signal early when changing lanes              Be patient

For further information:

<https://azdot.gov/about/transportation-safety/work-zone-safety>

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If you have a Safety article to submit for the *Safety Pins*, the deadline for the next issue is October 27th 2023. If you are progressing with your Senior rating in the Civil Air Patrol Safety Program, one of the requirements is to submit an article on a Safety subject to a Wing, Region, or National publication.

Send your submissions for the *Safety Pins* to [corey.stohlquist@azwg.org](mailto:corey.stohlquist@azwg.org) .

Submissions should be in “word” format, along with references for the material presented and links for further information.



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