



# USAG – Fort Stewart Safety Update

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**SU #13-02**

## **Providing a Safe and Healthy Working Environment During Fiscal Constraints**

**4 Feb 13**

### **1. Hazard Abatement - Providing a Safe and Healthy Working Environment.**

I have been observing Safety Program implementation across the installation since my assignment as Director, Installation Safety. My observations indicate USAG-Fort Stewart (Yes, this office included) is not performing as effectively as we could in all elements of Hazard Abatement. These elements include: Identification; Evaluation; Development/implementation of Interim Controls; and the final elimination of hazards present in our workplaces by removal or engineering controls. It is incumbent upon all of us to provide our fellow employees with a safe and healthy work environment. (Don't forget, we all work here!)

We are working under, what some might describe, as extreme funding limitations. One area negatively affected by funding limitations is the elimination of hazardous conditions within our workplaces. However, we cannot simply "throw in the towel" saying "Funding is not available, so we will not address the hazard until funding levels improve". We owe ourselves better and need to guard against a violation of Federal Law and DoD/DA guidance.

While the Installation Safety Office (ISO) is a key player in the Hazard Abatement process, we rely heavily upon your employees, and First Line Supervisors, in the identification of new hazards. This office visits your workplaces periodically to evaluate your Safety Program and workplace conditions – a "snap shot" of observable conditions. However, your employees are present on a daily basis and are in a much better position to detect issues – As they develop. Support your employee in their evaluation/observations of their workplaces. They work there and should know/understand the acceptable conditions. ISO will respond to all requests for evaluation. Observed conditions may, or may not, meet the requirements for identification as a true life/safety/health hazard. If conditions meet requirements, the Hazard Abatement Process will work to either reduce or eliminate the hazard.

So, you may ask, "How do we perform at a higher level and ensure our employees are provided a Safe and Healthy working environment during these challenging times?" Communication, mutual support and team work! As identified above, the process is really fairly simple: Identify; evaluate; control; and eliminate. Follow the steps identified below and we can improve working conditions across the installation!

#### **Identification, Evaluation, Interim Controls development and Final Hazard Abatement Process**

- Recognition of any possible hazard within the workplace – either by the ISO or your employees.
- If an internal identification, your office should request an evaluation by ISO.
- ISO will provide on-site evaluation of the hazard. We may also request additional support from other Directorates/Agencies to assist in our evaluation (DPW/Industrial Hygiene/Preventive Medicine/other as required).
- If our evaluation supports the condition as a hazard to life/safety/health, we will assign a Risk Assessment Code (RAC) of 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5. (RAC1 being the highest (most dangerous condition) and RAC5 the least hazardous)
- ISO will work with you, and your employees, to develop appropriate Interim Control Measures designed to minimize employee exposure to the hazard. These controls must be immediately implemented, followed by all personnel exposed to the hazardous condition and remain in place until the hazard is completely abated.
- ISO will provide the results of our evaluation, and assigned RAC, to DPW for input into their system.
- ISO will enter the identified hazard into the Installation Abatement Log and continually monitor the condition - providing updates to you and the Garrison Commander until the hazard is abated. Note, this information is periodically requested by HQ IMCOM Safety

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## 2. Fort Stewart/HAAF Pre-Accident Indicators:

Fort Stewart						
DUI	Speeding	Use of Cell Phone While Operating M/V	Traffic Accident (At Fault)	No Driver License	Disregard Traffic Control Device	Heat Related Injury
25	82	4	8	56	2	0
Color Code: Compared to last report - <b>Green = Decrease</b> ; <b>Red = Increase</b> ; <b>Amber = No Change</b> .						
FY13 To Date Totals (Since 1 October)						
73	312	26	32	158	47	0
Data Includes Incidents Involving Fort Stewart Personnel – USAG + Supported Organizations						

Hunter Army Airfield						
DUI	Speeding	Use of Cell Phone While Operating M/V	Traffic Accident (At Fault)	No Driver License	Disregard Traffic Control Device	Heat Related Injury
8	29	10	1	12	2	0
Color Code: Compared to last report - <b>Green = Decrease</b> ; <b>Red = Increase</b> ; <b>Amber = No Change</b> .						
FY13 To Date Totals (Since 1 October)						
41	96	29	11	55	57	0
Data Includes Incidents Involving HAAF Personnel – USAG + Supported Organizations						

## 3. Additional Safety related information can be obtained from:

- a. [Fort Steward Safety Web Page](#)
- b. [US Army Safety Center](#)

4. **Safety and Occupational Health Action Council (SOHAC).** “Risk Reduction Council” briefings will now be scheduled as “Safety and Occupational Health Action Council” (SOHAC) and include in depth information on the status of Safety Program implementation across the Garrison (IAW AR 385-10). Topics will address: Current Accident Trends; OSHA Program (Workplace Safety); Safety Training Requirements; Explosives Safety Management (as required); Radiation Safety Management (as required); Aviation Safety Management (as required); and Seasonal Topics. SOHAC will be scheduled on a Quarterly basis and 1<sup>st</sup> QTR data SOHAC is currently scheduled for 1000-1130, 25 Feb 13.

## 5. Safety Office Publications – FY13

- a. Safety Update:
  - 1) Safety Update # 13-01, First Publication
- b. Safety Gram:
  - 1) 13-01 - Handgun Safety
  - 2) 13-02 - UXO Safety
  - 3) 13-03 – Fall Clean-up
  - 4) 13-04 - Hunting Safety
  - 5) 13-05 – Halloween Safety

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- 6) 13-06 – Turkey Fryer Safety
- 7) 13-07 – Toy Safety
- 8) 13-08 – Travel Safety
- 9) 13-09 – Tree Safety
- 10) 13-10 – National Impaired Driving Month

c. Safety Alerts: (none)

#### 6. Recalls this period:

##### a) Consumer Products Safety Commission (CSCP).

- i. Fisher-Price Recalls to Inspect Rock 'N Play Infant Sleepers Due to Risk of Exposure to Mold, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13087.html>
- ii. PLATINUM Neon Sign Power Supply Transformers Made by HEICO lighting Recalled Due To Fire Hazard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13088.html>
- iii. High-Pressure Scuba Diving Air Hoses Recalled by A-Plus Marine Due to Drowning Hazard <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13090.html>
- iv. Check Your Home for These Cold Weather-Related Products Recalled Last Summer <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13091.html>
- v. Bugaboo Recalls Strollers Due to Fall and Choking Hazards, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13092.html>
- vi. Target Recalls Children's Two-Piece Pajama Sets Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13093.html>
- vii. KTM North America Recalls Enduro Motorcycles Due to Fuel Leak, Fire and Crash Hazard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13094.html>
- viii. Target Recalls Circo Girls' Fleece Pajamas Due to Violation of Federal Flammability Standard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13095.html>
- ix. Powertec Recalls Weight Workbenches Due to Injury Hazard <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13096.html>
- x. Target Recalls Hand-Held Air Misters Due to Injury Hazard <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13097.html>
- xi. Hy Cite Enterprises Recalls Royal Prestige Thermal Wall Pots and Pans Due to Burn and Fire Hazard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13098.html>
- xii. Floor Lamps Recalled by Dolan Northwest Due to Shock and Fire Hazards, <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml13/13099.html>
- xiii. Implus Footcare Recalls Perfect Fitness Resistance Bands Due To Injury Hazard; Sold Exclusively at WalMart. Contact Implus Footcare at (800) 446-7587 select option 2, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, email at [recall@4implus.com](mailto:recall@4implus.com), or online at [www.perfectonline.com/recalls](http://www.perfectonline.com/recalls).
- xiv. BRP Recalls Can-Am Side-By-Side Vehicles Due to Fire Hazard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/BRP-Recalls-Can-Am-Side-By-Side-Vehicles-Due-to-Fire-Hazard/>

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- xv. Columbia Sportswear Recalls Seven Models of Heated Jackets Due To Burn Hazard, <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Columbia-Sportswear-Recalls-Seven-Models-of-Heated-Jackets/>
- xvi. Natart Chelsea Dressers Recalled By Gemme Juvenile To Reduce Tip-Over Hazard; Death of Toddler Reported <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Natart-Chelsea-Dressers-Recalled-By-Gemme-Juvenile-To-Reduce-Tip-Over-Hazard-Death-of-Toddler-Reported/>
- xvii. Million Dollar Baby Dressers Recalled by Bexco Due to Tip-Over Hazards; Two Toddler Deaths Reported <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Million-Dollar-Baby-Dressers-Recalled-by-Bexco-Due-to-Tip-Over-Hazards-Two-Toddler-Deaths-Reported/>
- xviii. Sportspower Expands Trampoline Recall Due to Fall Hazard; Sold Exclusively at Walmart <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Sportspower-Expands-Trampoline-Recall-Due-to-Fall-Hazard-Sold-Exclusively-at-Walmart/>
- xix. High Powered Magnet Balls Recalled by SCS Direct Due to Risk of Ingestion; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/High-Powered-Magnet-Balls/>
- xx. Kringles Toys and Gifts Recalls High Powered Magnets Due to Ingestion Hazard; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Kringles-Toys-and-Gifts-Recalls-High-Powered-Magnets/>
- xxi. World Imports Recalls Bunk Beds Due to Violation of Safety Standard <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/World-Imports-Recalls-Bunk-Beds/>
- xxii. FoodState Recalls Bottles of MegaFood One Daily Supplements Due to Lack of Child-Resistant Packaging <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/FoodState-Recalls-Bottles-of-MegaFood-One-Daily-Supplements/>
- xxiii. Triaminic and Theraflu Products Recalled Due to Failure to Meet Child-Resistant Closure Requirement; Risk of Poisoning <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Triaminic-and-Theraflu-Products-Recalled/>
- xxiv. Port Surveillance News: CPSC Stops Nearly 3M Units of Violative Imported Products in 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012 <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Newsroom/News-Releases/2013/Port-Surveillance-News-CPSC-Stops-Nearly-3M-Units-of-Violative-Imported-Products-in-3rd-Quarter-of-Fiscal-Year-2012/>

**b) National Traffic Safety Administration****NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V001](#)**Manufacturer :** General Motors LLC**Make / Model Years :** CADILLAC / 2013  
CHEVROLET / 2013  
GMC / 2013**Subject :** Shifting out of Park/FMVSS 102/FMVSS 114**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [12V602](#)**Manufacturer :** SUBARU OF AMERICA, INC.**Make / Model Years :** SUBARU / 2006-2012**Subject :** Accessory Puddle Light may Short-circuit**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [12V601](#)**Manufacturer :** Daimler Trucks North America***Manage The Risk – Protect The Force******For additional information contact:******Your Unit Addition Duty Safety Officer (ADSO) or Collateral Duty Safety Person (CDSP), or******USAG Installation Safety Office: Fort Stewart Office @ 912-767-7880; Hunter Army Airfield Office @ 912-345-4905.***

**Make / Model Years :** FREIGHTLINER / 2012  
**Subject :** Auxiliary Power Unit Door may Separate

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [12V600](#)  
**Manufacturer :** Prevost Cars, Inc.  
**Make / Model Years :** PREVOST / 2011-2012  
**Subject :** I-Beam Suspension/Radius Rod support

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [12V599](#)  
**Manufacturer :** KEYSTONE RV COMPANY  
**Make / Model Years :** KEYSTONE / 2012-2013  
**Subject :** Possible Propane Line Damage

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V006](#)  
**Manufacturer :** Autocar Industries, LLC  
**Make / Model Years :** AUTOCAR / 2012  
**Subject :** Seat Belt Strength/FMVSS 210

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V005](#)  
**Manufacturer :** Forest River, Inc.  
**Make / Model Years :** FOREST RIVER / 2010-2012  
**Subject :** Brake Lights & Cruise Control Issues

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V004](#)  
**Manufacturer :** ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC  
**Make / Model Years :** ARBOC / 2012  
**Subject :** Seat Reinforcement Plates may be Missing

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V003](#)  
**Manufacturer :** Polaris Industries, Inc.  
**Make / Model Years :** GEM / 2010-2013  
**Subject :** Parking Brake May Not Engage

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V012](#)  
**Manufacturer :** Braun Corporation  
**Make / Model Years :** BRAUN / 2011-2013  
**Subject :** Toe Pan Panel/Accelerator Pedal Interference

**NHTSA Campaign ID Number :** [13V010](#)  
**Manufacturer :** General Motors LLC  
**Make / Model Years :** CHEVROLET / 2013  
GMC / 2013  
**Subject :** Ignition Key Removal when not in Park

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NHTSA Campaign ID Number : [13V009](#)

**Manufacturer :** Eldorado National- Kansas

**Make / Model Years :** ELDORADO / 2012

**Subject :** Wheelchair Lift Armored Cable Short Circuit

NHTSA Campaign ID Number : [13V008](#)

**Manufacturer :** Goshen Coach

**Make / Model Years :** GOSHEN / 2006-2013

**Subject :** Wheelchair Lift Armored Cable Short Circuit

NHTSA Campaign ID Number : [13V007](#)

**Manufacturer :** Fleetwood RV, Inc.

**Make / Model Years :** FLEETWOOD / 2012-2013

**Subject :** Wrong Tire Specifications on Certification Label

NHTSA Campaign ID Number : [13V016](#)

**Manufacturer :** Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)

**Make / Model Years :** HONDA / 2009-2013

**Subject :** Driver's Airbag Module may be Missing Rivets

NHTSA Campaign ID Number : [13V014](#)

**Manufacturer :** Southeast Toyota Distributors, LLC

**Make / Model Years :** TOYOTA / 2009-2013

**Subject :** Occupant Sensing System Calibration

NHTSA Campaign ID Number : [13V011](#)

**Manufacturer :** North American Bus Industries, Inc.

**Make / Model Years :** BLUE BIRD / 2007-2009

**Subject :** Cracks may cause Steering Gear to Separate

7. Your comments, both pro and con, are welcome and requested. Do you see this monthly publication as a positive addition to the Safety Program? Have we included too much information? Is the information current and relevant to you? Please contact the USAG Installation Safety Office: Fort Stewart Office @ 912-767-7880; Hunter Army Airfield Office @ 912-345-4905 if you have any questions/comments. Feel free to share this Safety Update as you feel appropriate – Colleagues, Friends and/or Family Members.

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