



Commanding Officer's Alcohol and Substance Abuse Statement



Alcohol and substance abuse, to include the distribution, possession, use, trafficking or distribution of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia, and the misuse of prescription drugs, are contrary to the effective performance of Marines and the Marine Corps mission. Driving while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other illegal substance is also prohibited. Violations will not be tolerated. Regardless of your geographic location or duty status, I expect you to uphold the high standards of the Marine Corps and remain always ready.

Every alcohol and substance abuse related incident that occurs deteriorates the mission effectiveness of our unit and places a heavier burden on the Marines and Sailors that remain. I expect the officers, staff noncommissioned officers, and noncommissioned officer of Combat Logistics Regiment 37 to foster an environment of responsible alcohol consumption. Through our example, we can demonstrate that alcohol can be consumed responsibly. I believe our example will help reduce alcohol abuse and the number of alcohol related incidents within the command.

I expect leaders to set the example and ensure all Marines are aware of the Marine Corps' commitment to prevent drug and alcohol abuse. I expect leaders to be alert to characteristics of substance abuse and the symptoms of alcohol dependency. You must not, in any way, promote or condone the misuse of drugs and alcohol. In short, I expect you to reinforce the policy that drug and alcohol abuse is not tolerated and those who abuse these substances will be held accountable for their actions.

It is my responsibility to ensure all Marines and Sailors who seek assistance for their alcohol dependency are provided the appropriate level of care. I encourage anyone that believes they may need assistance to speak with their chain of command or the Substance Abuse Counseling Officer (SACO). My goal is to provide them the treatment they may need and get them back in the fight! Marines and Sailors who seek assistance for their alcohol dependency can do so with the utmost confidentiality and without fear of punishment or reprisal from the chain of command.

Combat Logistics Regiment 37, will be ready when called upon to execute our mission. To do this, I need every Marine and Sailor ready to go, drug and alcohol free.

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