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Motorcycle Safety Foundation Releases "Motorcycle Pilot" Video

New Public Service Announcement Compares Piloting an Airplane to Riding a Motorcycle

IRVINE, Calif., February 27, 2013 – What do airplanes and motorcycles have in common? More than you may think, according to instructor pilot and motorcyclist Major James Boddy. The Motorcycle Safety Foundation® has released a new public service announcement featuring Major Boddy, in which he cites the many parallels between taking to the air and taking to the road. Some of the common themes mentioned are the importance of training, pre-flight/pre-ride inspection, wearing the proper safety gear, and maintaining awareness of one's surroundings.



"Major Boddy trains fighter pilots and is also an avid motorcyclist," said Ken Glaser, MSF's director of special projects. "He understands that it takes the right preparation and mindset to make every flight and every ride safe and trouble-free."

This 30-second video is now airing on MSF's [homepage](#) and YouTube [channel](#). High-definition versions, including one which can be co-branded by a sponsor, are available free for use on broadcast or cable television. For more details, contact MSF Media Relations at (949) 727-3227, ext. 3131.

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To help ensure that every ride is safe and enjoyable, the Motorcycle Safety Foundation offers a few simple rules for motorcyclists:

- 1. Get properly trained and licensed** – Take an MSF *RiderCourse*SM and obtain the appropriate motorcycle license endorsement from your state.
- 2. Wear all the gear, all the time** – Always wear a DOT-compliant helmet and eye protection, as well as over-the-ankle boots, gloves, riding jacket and pants.
- 3. Ride unimpaired by alcohol or drugs** – Riding under the influence dramatically decreases a rider's necessary skills, especially vision and judgment.
- 4. Ride within your own skill limits and obey traffic laws** – Every rider should know their personal limits, and never ride faster or farther than their abilities can handle.
- 5. Be a lifelong learner by taking refresher *RiderCourses*** – Riding skills are perishable, so take an occasional refresher course. No matter how often or how long you've been riding, there is always room to learn something new.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation promotes safety through rider training and education, operator licensing tests and public information programs. The MSF works with the federal government, state agencies, the military and others to offer training for all skill levels so riders can enjoy a lifetime of safe, responsible motorcycling. Standards established by the MSF® have been recognized worldwide since 1973. The MSF is a not-for-profit organization sponsored by BMW, BRP, Harley-Davidson, Honda, Kawasaki, KTM, Piaggio, Suzuki, Triumph, Victory and Yamaha. For safety information or to enroll in the *RiderCourse*SM nearest you, visit www.msf-usa.org or call (800) 446-9227.

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