

AFI 91-202

THE US AIR FORCE MISHAP PREVENTION PROGRAM

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1. PURPOSE

This instruction implements AFD 91-2, Safety Programs, and provides guidance for managing occupational safety and health programs across all Air Force installations. It establishes minimum requirements for workplace safety inspections, hazard reporting, and mishap prevention.

2. SCOPE

This instruction applies to all Air Force military and civilian personnel, including Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members when in Title 10 status. Contractors shall comply with applicable OSHA standards and contract requirements.

3. WORKPLACE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

3.1. Annual Inspections. All workplaces shall receive a comprehensive safety inspection at least annually by the installation safety office. High-hazard workplaces (flight line, munitions storage, industrial shops) require semi-annual inspections.

3.2. Spot Inspections. Supervisors shall conduct informal safety checks of their work areas weekly. Discrepancies shall be documented and corrected within 30 days or escalated to the unit safety representative.

3.3. Special Inspections. The installation safety office may direct special inspections following mishaps, near-misses, or when new hazards are identified. These inspections take priority over routine scheduling.

4. HAZARD REPORTING

All personnel have the duty and right to report safety hazards without fear of reprisal. Hazards may be reported through the chain of command, directly to the installation safety office, or through the Air Force Safety Automated System (AFSAS). Imminent danger situations shall be reported immediately and affected areas evacuated.

5. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Commanders shall ensure appropriate PPE is available and used in all workplaces where hazards cannot be eliminated through engineering or administrative controls. PPE requirements shall be documented in workplace-specific written programs and reviewed annually.

6. MISHAP REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION

All mishaps resulting in injury, illness, or property damage shall be reported through AFSAS within 5 duty days. Class A and B mishaps require immediate notification of the Air Force Safety Center. Investigation boards shall be convened within 24 hours of Class A mishaps.

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