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Helicopter Passenger Briefing
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All passengers must receive a safety briefing prior to flight.

1. Personal Protective Equipment

- Appropriate head protection; Nomex clothing; ear and eye protection; boots; other survival equipment as applicable (PFD, life rafts, etc.).

2. Approach and Departure Paths

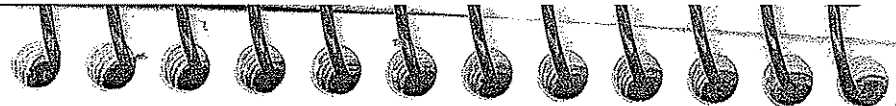
- When loading helicopters in uneven terrain, always approach and depart from the downslope (lower) side.
- Approach and depart helicopter in a crouch position.
- Keep in pilot's field of vision at all times.
- Stay clear of the landing area when helicopters are landing or departing.
- Never go near the tail of helicopters; do not approach airplanes from the front.

3. Tools and Equipment

- Secure hand tools and equipment awaiting transport (will not blow into rotor system).
- Carry tools or other long objects parallel to the ground, not over the shoulder into the air.
- Make assignments for carrying tools/equipment to and from the helicopter or airplane.

4. Seating in Aircraft

- No movement between seats unless authorized by pilot inside aircraft once seated.
- Seat belt fastened at all times.

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- Unbuckle only when specifically directed to do so by pilot or helicopter loading/unloading personnel.
 - Follow the instructions of pilot.
 - Know location of all emergency exits.
 - Know approved crash positions.
 - Know location of first aid kit, survival kit, fire extinguisher, ELT (Emergency Locator Transmitter), fuel shut off switch, radio operation, normal and emergency operation of all doors/exits, oxygen (if available).

5. Security of Equipment

- Loose items secured and manageable; all baggage secured in aircraft or in compartment.
- Never throw any object from a helicopter or airplane.
- Around helicopters, never reach up or dart after a hat or other object that has become unsecured.

6. Smoking

- Rules in and around aircraft

7. In Flight Emergency Procedures

- Follow instructions of pilot/helicopter personnel.
- Assume appropriate crash position.
- Assist any injured person who cannot leave the aircraft.
- Move clear of the aircraft only after rotor blades stop or when instructed to do so by the pilot or helicopter crew.
- Assess situation, follow pilot/helicopter manager instructions, render first aid, pilot and/or helicopter manager to remove first aid kit, radio, ELT, and fire extinguisher.