

## IMPROVED OPERATIONAL READINESS

Naval Safety Center, Aviation Safety Directorate conducts Safety Assessments to improve unit operational readiness through identification of unsafe conditions, practices, procedures and to increase the hazard awareness of unit personnel through proper application of risk management.

An Aviation Safety Assessment Team represents Commander, Naval Safety Center. A safety assessment allows Naval Safety Center personnel to evaluate the risk management and safety culture, as well as share and disseminate instructions, best practices and lessons learned gained across the enterprise.

The Safety Assessment is neither an inspection nor a certification, but strives for long-term process improvement.



Aviation safety assessment teams serve as safety advocates for the Naval aviation enterprise. The Aviation Safety Assessment is a process-based observation of how aviation squadrons and air stations conduct operations. The assessment team examines how the aviation squadron or facility communicates both internally and externally, uses risk management in the planning and execution of their mission, and assesses the safety culture by observation, discussion and written questionnaire.

The team endeavors to identify undue risk resultant from factors beyond the control of commanding officers and is an advocate for problem resolution through the Immediate Superior in Command and the Naval Safety Center chain of command. This level of engagement gives the team a more comprehensive picture of the challenges aviation squadrons and facilities are facing.

To schedule an assessment, email [safe-code-11@navy.mil](mailto:safe-code-11@navy.mil) for aircraft operations or [safe-code-12@navy.mil](mailto:safe-code-12@navy.mil) for aviation maintenance.



## Aviation Safety Assessments



**SUSTAINED  
OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE  
THROUGH EFFECTIVE  
DECISION-MAKING  
AND RISK MANAGEMENT**



## PROVIDES SQUADRON ASSESSMENTS

Thirty days prior to an aviation squadron assessment, the Aviation Safety Directorate conducts pre-assessment risk analysis using a Data-Driven, Risk-Informed Decision Model.

Squadrons are selected using the model output, the Immediate Superior in Command or Marine Aircraft Group Commander input, and squadron availability.

Additionally a “Go Team” quick response assessment may be requested if the commander has serious concerns about a unit’s safety posture.



## ELEMENTS PROVIDED

The Aviation Safety Directorate provides a final assessment report to the commanding officer within 15 days, based on observations of events, interviews and documentation reviews. Naval Safety Center identifies unmitigated risks, provides recommended solutions, references and advocacy.



## ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Upon request, a commander may ask for a Maintenance Risk Management brief provided to each major concentration area.



## RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

Naval Safety Center public website:  
<http://www.navalsafetycenter.navy.mil/>

Naval Safety Center CAC-enabled:  
<https://intelshare.intelink.gov/sites/navsafe>



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