



# KNOWLEDGE

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## TOO BIG, TOO FAST, TOO SOON

I was stationed near Stuttgart, Germany, when I bought my first real motorcycle — a Kawasaki GT 750. Back then, if you had a motorcycle endorsement on your stateside driver's license, they just added it to your USAREUR license. There was no special training or safety courses required. I had an endorsement from my home state of Illinois. However, I "forgot" to mention I was limited to 150cc or smaller engines. Why bother the folks in USAREUR with such a minor detail?



## DIRTY AND USED

I have been blessed in my career with outstanding noncommissioned officers who knew what needed to be done to keep Soldiers safe. I truly believe they were the only reason I was able to successfully conduct live-fire ranges without any injuries.



## INDISCIPLINE IN THE AIR

Our passengers trust us and put their lives in our hands every time they get on our aircraft. Safety is a duty that goes beyond just our own conduct. Every aviator has a duty to intervene and interrupt the accident chain.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Autumn is on its way, and with it comes hazards unique to the season. As temperatures drop and Soldiers, Civilians and families take to the roads and great outdoors for some well-deserved downtime, they'll be exposed to risk more often than they might think. The latest installment of the Army's **Ready or Not?** campaign is now available on the USACRC's website and features seasonal topics to augment your existing safety programs. Getting this information to Soldiers now will help them mitigate the hazards in whatever they do. Click here to learn more.



## SAFETY FEATURE

**HERE IT COMES**

September is National Preparedness Month — are you ready?

- Earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, winter storms — any of these could occur at the Army's locations worldwide.
- Make a plan so you and your family are prepared should disaster strike.

**READY ...OR NOT?**

Ready ... or Not is a call to action for leaders, Soldiers, Army Civilians and Family members to assess their "readiness" for what lies ahead—the known as well as the unknown.

Throughout our professional and personal lives, events happen all around us. We are often able to shape the outcome of those events, but many times we're not. Navigating life's challenges is all about decision-making.

So are YOU ready ... or not?

<https://safety.army.mil>

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## PRODUCTS & TOOLS



A collection of resources to aid commanders and leaders in the management of range operations and safe weapons handling.



ReportIt is the single Army accident and risk management system for collecting injury, illness and loss data.



Learn the safety culture and climate within your organization with the Army Readiness Assessment Program.



Mentoring can help keep Soldiers safe. Find out what you can do to protect your Soldiers with the Motorcycle Mentorship Program.

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