



# KNOWLEDGE

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## AVOID 'SMELLING THE BARN'

As we sat around waiting for the commotion to die down, the fact that we had needlessly lost a brother began to hit us. The worst part was it easily could have been avoided if he had slowed down and maintained muzzle awareness. This tragedy will always be a reminder of what a weapon can do when we fail to adhere to the rules.



## COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY

We watch television, send and receive emails and text messages and make telephone calls daily. You'd think we'd be pretty adept at communicating, right? Not always. Let me share a personal example.



## STAYING SAFE ON THE SLOPES

Snowboarding is a great way to have fun but, at the same time, it can also present some real dangers. Before you attempt snowboarding, have some basic knowledge of the possible risks you may encounter on or off the slopes.

## PRODUCTS & TOOLS



Learn the safety culture and climate within your organization.



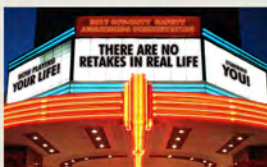
A collection of resources to aid commanders and leaders in the management of range operations and safe weapons handling.



Great resource for finding a local riding association, and learning to be a safer rider.



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



Make your Soldiers aware of the off-duty hazards they'll face with the Off-duty Safety Awareness Presentation.



Going on leave, pass or TDY? Don't forget to first complete your Travel Risk Planning System assessment.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Check out our tips for safely providing emergency roadside assistance.



## ACCIDENT BRIEFS

### PEDESTRIAN

A Soldier was struck and killed by a civilian vehicle when he exited his AMV following an accident during convoy operations.

### ENGAGEMENT TIPS

Do your Soldiers know that if they are involved in an accident or any other roadside emergency that, if possible, they and any passengers should exit through the side of the vehicle facing away from the road?



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### MATERIAL HANDLING is a leading cause of injuries in the Army

If you can use material handling equipment rather than lifting, then do!

It is always preferable to use appropriate equipment to the task at hand than to put the strain on your body and increase your chance of injury.

If you need to lift an object manually, then use the right type of lift for the job and the proper lifting technique including:

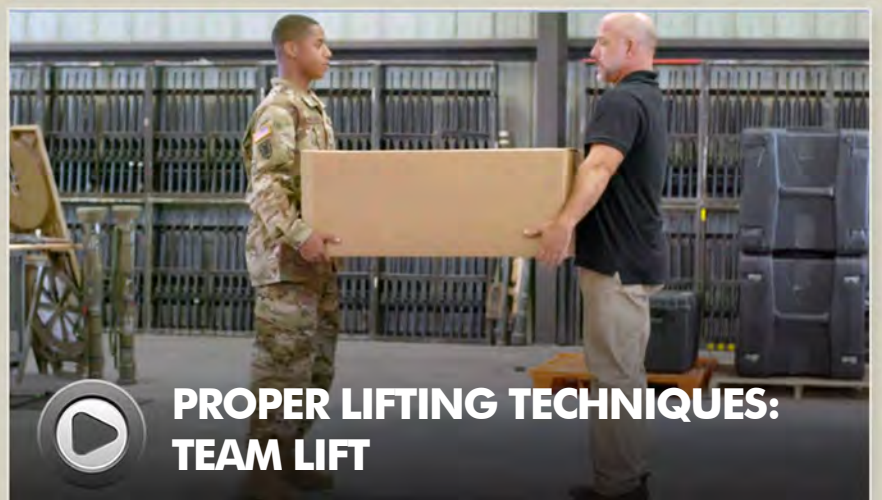
- ✓ BASIC LIFT
- ✓ OVERHEAD LIFT
- ✓ PIVOT LIFT
- ✓ TEAM LIFT
- ✓ TRIPOD LIFT

To view these lifting techniques and for more material handling resources, visit our Workplace Safety homepage at: <https://safety.army.mil/ON-DUTY/Workplace.aspx>



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