The purpose of this brochure is to emphasize to all personnel (military, civilian and dependants) who are driving, riding, walking or jogging on NAS Oceana, the importance of following some simple rules to safeguard yourself and your family.

The vast majority of mishaps involve collisions between privately owned vehicles. Most mishaps occur in parking lots due to people not paying attention while backing out of parking places. Locations along Tomcat Blvd are the most commonly noted non-parking lot traffic mishap scenes, with the intersection of Tomcat Blvd and Oceana Blvd appearing in many of the Tomcat Blvd mishaps. The need for everyone to observe the merge and yield signs while entering the station from Oceana Blvd. is critical.

Driving on a suspended or revoked license is by far the most common serious offense cited at NAS Oceana. Several traffic mishaps have involved Navy drivers who were operating a government vehicle without a valid driver's license. Supervisors must ensure that all personnel operating government vehicles possess a valid driver's license.

DOD civilian and military personnel convicted of serious moving violations are required to complete the AAA Driver Improvement Program course periodically conducted by the Safety Office.

Personnel are encouraged to submit any suggestions for improving traffic safety on base to the Safety Office (address on back of brochure).

News reports highlight and publicize the gruesomeness of war and the numbers of deaths attributable to them.

However, there were almost as many military personnel killed in traffic accidents in **one year** (FY-02) as there were in Operation Desert Shield/Storm and over four times as many killed in traffic accidents in one year as killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom!!!

OP Desert Shield/Storm	363
OP Iraqi Freedom	74
DOD (Traffic)	310
Navy (Traffic)	75

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Base Traffic Safety

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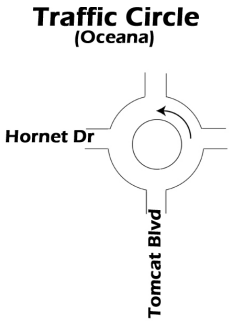
Seat belts- **required** at all times on base (and in Virginia) for government/privately owned vehicles



a. Vehicles in the circle have the right of way

b. Yield means stop for vehicles in traffic circle

c. One-way traffic (counter-clockwise)

d. One lane traffic

e. Signal intent to exit from circle

on base unless otherwise posted

in parking lots

Pedestrians at crosswalks have the right of way

All personnel (including dependents who ride a bicycle on base) shall properly wear an approved (CPSC, ANSI or Snell Memorial Foundation) bicycle helmet

At night or in fog and rain, bicyclists shall wear retro-reflective clothing. Bicycles must have lights, reflectors and a horn.

Individuals are not authorized to jog or walk, on roadways during high traffic density and peak traffic periods as defined in the Virginia Beach Storefront SOP for Safety.

Headphones, earphones, listening devices are **prohibited** while jogging, walking, bicycling, or operating a motor vehicle on roads and streets. Use on designated bicycle and running paths is permitted.

Motorcycles- Properly worn Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is **mandatory** for all persons while operating or riding as a passenger on a motorcycle:

a. DOT approved motorcycle **helmet**

b. Impact or shatter resistant goggles, or full-face shield properly attached to the helmet. A windshield, fairing or eyeglasses alone are inadequate.

c. Long-sleeved **shirt or jacket**, long-legged trousers and full-fingered gloves or mittens designed for use on a motorcycle.

d. Sturdy **footwear**.

e. Brightly colored outer **upper garment** during the day and a reflective upper garment during the night. The outer upper garment shall be clearly visible from the front and back and not covered with such items as backpacks, etc. Military uniforms do not meet these criteria.