

HELICOPTER PASSENGER BRIEFING

Pilot or designated Helitack must brief all passengers prior to flight

1. Personal Protective Equipment: (See IHOG Chart 9-1 for requirements)

- Nomex Clothing (long-sleeved shirt & pants, or flight suit)
- Approved Helicopter Flight Helmet, or (for fire crew transport only, per IHOG chart 9-1) hardhat
- All-Leather Boots
- Hearing Protection
- Nomex and/or Leather Gloves
- Survival Equipment as applicable (PFD, etc.)

2. NO Smoking: In or around aircraft

3. Approach and departure:

- Stay clear of landing area during approach/departure
- Always approach/depart from the down slope (lower) side as directed by Pilot/Helitack
- Approach/depart helicopter in a crouch position, do not run
- Keep in pilot's view at all times
- Do not reach up or chase after loose objects
- Never go near the tail of the helicopter

4. Tools and Equipment:

- Secure light/loose items awaiting transport
- Assign personnel for carrying tools/equipment to/from helicopter
- Carry tools/long objects parallel to the ground, never on shoulder
- All tools and equipment loaded/unloaded by qualified personnel
- Portable Radios turned off
- Never go near the tail of the helicopter

5. Helicopter Doors: Location and how to operate

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6. In-Flight Discipline:

- Follow pilot instructions
- Loose items inside of aircraft secured and manageable
- All baggage secured in aircraft or cargo compartment
- No movement inside aircraft once seated
- Never throw any object from the helicopter
- Keep clear of the flight controls at all times
- Unbuckle only when directed to do so by Pilot or Helitack
- Wait for Helitack personnel to open/close doors
- Know location of first aid kit, survival kit, fire extinguisher, ELT (Emergency Locator Transmitter) fuel and battery shut-off switch location and operation, radio operation

7. In-Flight Emergency Procedures

- **Emergency Exits:** Location and how to operate
- Follow instructions of Pilot/Helitack personnel
- Snug seat belt and shoulder harness; secure gear
- **Emergency Seating Position WITH SHOULDER HARNESS (four point OR single diagonal strap):** sit in full upright position with head and back pressed against seat and use arms to brace in position. If time permits and so equipped, lock the inertial reel
- **Emergency Seating Position WITH LAP BELT ONLY:** bend over as far as possible and wrap your arms around your legs
- Move clear of the aircraft only after rotor blades stop or when instructed by the pilot or helicopter crew
- Assist injured personnel
- Assess situation, remove first aid kit, survival kit, radio, ELT and fire extinguisher. Render first aid. Attempt to establish contact