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
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.

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