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### THE DAY AFTER

It's always sad when a Soldier survives combat only to be killed in a preventable accident once they return home. My friend, John, was barely 20 years old when it happened to him. He was just trying to have a little fun. Life is sometimes cruel.



### WHEN TO SAY WHEN

As a National Guard CH-47 company, we are always subject to possible call up for state and national emergencies or deployment overseas. When Hurricane Gustav hit the Gulf Coast in 2008, we found ourselves being called on like never before.



### LUCKY DUCKS

After a slow, cautious, 30-minute boat ride in the dark, we arrived at our destination and set up for our duck hunt. For the first two hours, everything went well. Then the fog began to lift, clouds rolled in and the wind picked up.

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### SANTA'S SAFETY SPEECH

'Twas the night before Christmas and at the Claus place, Ol' Santa was angry and turning red in the face.



## SAFETY FEATURE

**READY ... OR NOT?**

Take a safety training course  
Wear personal protective equipment  
Don't ride on paved roads  
Don't operate under the influence of alcohol or drugs

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?

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## PRODUCTS & TOOLS



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



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



When it comes to risk, winter is in a category all its own. The latest installment of the Army's Ready ... or Not? campaign is now available and contains a new collection of safety videos, posters and articles to help Soldiers and leaders prepare for the unique challenges the next few months will bring. Click here to learn more.

Are you Ready ... or Not?

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