



Human Factors Message

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Human Factor Watch Outs

Watching out for yourself, coworkers, subordinates and your boss is a primary responsibility for everyone involved in high risk activities. Watch outs are not just for the tactical environment. The Human Factor Watch Outs are designed to create an opportunity for you to take a tactical pause and re-evaluate your situation.

If any of the following occur:

- Your briefing was unclear.
- You don't remember what took place in the last hour.
- You are not getting answers to your questions.
- You are not getting clear acknowledgement of your message.
- You are encountering hazards that are not mentioned in your brief.
- Your team is not debriefing.
- Your tempo is too high to maintain command and control.
- Your leader's intent is vague.
- Your supervisor's expectation is unrealistic.



Take moment to re-assess your situation. Think.