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John C. Stennis Space Center
Policy Directive
Pedestrian Safety
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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this directive is to establish procedures and safety precautions for pedestrians and motorists to protect personnel at John C. Stennis Space Center (SSC). Many close calls and concerns have been raised regarding the safety of pedestrians, specifically joggers on site at SSC. As a result, the following protocols have been established to protect both pedestrians and motorists.

2.0 APPLICABILITY

This directive applies to all SSC personnel, including National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and its contractors, as well as SSC resident agencies and their contractors at SSC, as directed in their applicable agreement documents. This directive applies to the activities of pedestrians, who are defined as people travelling by foot (i.e. walking or running). It does not apply to cyclists.

3.0 REFERENCES

All references are assumed to be the latest version unless otherwise specified.

a. NASA Procedural Requirements (NPR) 1400.1, NASA Directives System Procedural Requirements

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibilities are as follows:

a. NASA Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate (SMA) is responsible for the creation, implementation and verification of policy and procedures to ensure the protection of personnel at SSC.
b. NASA SMA is responsible for processing and approval or disapproval of requests for special events that deviate from this policy.
c. Center Operations Directorate will ensure the policies are communicated through the sitewide Operations Review Steering Committee to all tenants.
d. Each employer at SSC, including NASA contractors and tenants, shall be responsible for assuring their personnel are aware of this policy and enforcing it within their own processes.
e. Each Agency or organization at SSC is responsible for coordinating with NASA SMA any requested deviations from this policy for special events.
f. Every resident of SSC is responsible for maintaining awareness of compliance with designated pedestrian locations and the requirements in this policy.

5.0 PROCEDURES

5.1 Rules for Pedestrians

a. Run or walk only in designated pedestrian locations, indicated in Attachment A.
b. Wear reflective gear during hours of low light, no light and inclement weather limiting visibility (e.g. fog).
c. Do not use headphones at a level that prevents hearing noise around you.
d. Use a shoulder if available. If there is no shoulder, move to the side of the road to allow vehicles to pass when possible.
e. If a shoulder is not available, use the side of the road facing traffic (your left).
f. If running in a large group or formation, stay in an intact formation and do not spread out to both sides of the road. Use the side of the road facing traffic.
g. If you are running on the road not in formation, run only in single file.
h. When using crosswalks, maintain awareness of the rate of speed of vehicles on the road you are crossing. Vehicles cannot stop instantly.
i. Take caution at intersections and make sure vehicles see you before crossing the street.

5.2 Rules for Motorists

a. Be aware of pedestrians. Move over and slow down when passing.
b. Watch upcoming crosswalks to check for pedestrians. Yield to pedestrians on crosswalks.
c. Be aware of runners in formation and slow down and pass carefully.

5.3 Designated Pedestrian Areas

a. Attachment A contains two (2) maps designating allowed pedestrian (jogging) locations, for day and night. Daytime is defined as after sunrise and nighttime after sunset. During dusk and dawn, additional caution should be taken.
   • Pedestrian maps are also available on the SMA website: http://osma.ssc.nasa.gov
b. For special events requiring deviation from this policy, coordinate with NASA SMA at least three (3) weeks prior to the event for approval/disapproval and coordination.

6.0 RECORDS AND FORMS

All records shall be retained in accordance with the latest version of the NASA Records Retention Schedule, NRSS 1441.1.
All records and forms are assumed to be the latest version unless otherwise indicated. Quality Records are identified in the SSC Master Records Index.

7.0 CANCELLATION

None.

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Attachment A - Acceptable Pedestrian Routes

DISTRIBUTION

Approved for public release via NODIS and TechDoc; distribution is unlimited.
Attachment A  Acceptable Pedestrian Routes - Daytime Routes
Nighttime Routes