

## **Tactical Safety**

Accidents present the largest non-battle threat to defense efforts. Personnel and equipment losses are a tremendous drain on total army readiness in peacetime and combat. Soldiers must be taught to implement and use safe procedures in tactical training scenarios for the protection of themselves, equipment, and the mission. The goal of accident prevention is to perform the mission with the least amount of risk possible.

Tactical exercise safety involves using accident prevention guidelines for planning and executing field training exercises. Tactical exercise safety involves reviewing the key points that could harm a mission through a risk management process. These elements include fire prevention, equipment operation, and traffic management (area includes hazardous material movement and convoys). Safety measures in field exercises help decrease the number of potential accidents to ensure that the mission gets accomplished.