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DROPPED OBJECT PREVENTION PROGRAM

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This instruction implements guidance in AFRPD 21-1, AFI 21-102, AMCI 21-101 and AMCI 21-103. It establishes a Dropped Object Prevention Program (DOPP). It applies to 940 Air Refueling Wing personnel.

1. General:

1.1. The dropped object Prevention Program (DOPP) is designed to increase individual awareness of dropped object incidents, and provide a formal reporting procedure. All personnel in the LG and OG with primary responsibilities on the aircraft will participate in this program. OG reporting requirements are still valid.

1.2. A dropped object is any aircraft part, surface, or other item lost during aircrew operations from engine start to engine shutdown.

2. Responsibilities:

2.1. The Operations Group Commander will ensure flight crews support and participate in the program. Primarily, placing special emphasis on aircraft panels, surfaces, and secondary structures during their inspections and reporting any suspected dropped objects during sortie debrief.

2.2. The Logistics Commander will:

2.2.1. Be OPR for the overall management of the program.

2.2.2. Ensure an in-depth program is in place that incorporates an initial/annual training program, DOPP reporting procedures, and maintenance second look inspections.

2.2.3. Appoint a Wing DOPP monitor in writing.

2.2.4. Chair the Wing DOPP committee consisting of the Operations Group Commander or representative, DOPP monitor, wing safety representative, LG/LGQ representative, maintenance squadron officers and superintendents. The committee will meet once each quarter on the first Monday. The agenda will cover DOPP incidents for the past quarter, metrics, trends, corrective actions, pertinent information, etc.

2.3. DOPP Monitor will:

2.3.1. Review and update the DOPP training program annually.

2.3.2. Investigate DOPP incidents with assistance from LG/LGQ and Wing safety as needed. Complete the DOPP report.

2.3.3. Brief DOPP reports at the Wing quarterly meeting.

2.4. Logistics Group supervisor will:

2.4.1. Ensure all aircraft maintenance personnel receive annual DOPP training. Training will be documented in G054/G08.

2.4.2. Ensure "second look" inspections and documentation requirements are complied with IAW AMCI 21-103.

2.4.3. Ensure all removed panels are documented with a Red X.

2.5. AGS Production Supervisor, "Pro Super", upon notification of a dropped object will notify the Maintenance Aircraft Coordination Center (MACC), providing the aircraft tail number and a brief description of the DOPP incident.

2.6. The MACC will contact the following:

LG/CC

OG/CC

LG/LGQ

DOPP Monitor

Wing SEG

3. Reporting Procedures:

3.1. The DOPP Monitor will use the reporting procedures outlined in AMCI 21-103. The final report will be submitted to Higher Headquarters NLT 72 hours after the occurrence by Wing SEG. The Wing SEG will provide hard copies of the final report to the 940 ARW/CC, 940 OG/CC, 940 LG/CC, and 940 LG/LGQ. A copy will also be maintained in the Wing Safety Office.

3.2. Enroute at AMC stations, Air Mobility Support Squadron commander will report dropped objects IAW AMCI 21-103. Upon return, follow normal reporting procedures. All other TDY stations, report upon return to home station.

3.3. All reports will be included in the Process Improvement Monthly Measurement Report.

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