



# IHST

**International Helicopter Safety Team**

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To all members of the worldwide helicopter community:

Continue to stay involved in our safety efforts.

The International Helicopter Safety Team (IHST) was formed to lead a government and industry cooperative effort to address factors that were affecting an unacceptable helicopter accident rate. The group's mission is to reduce the international civil helicopter accident rate by 80 percent by 2016.

With this goal in mind, the IHST has developed various "toolkits" aimed at helping members of the helicopter industry to improve safety and reduce the accident rate. These guides are now available on topics such as safety management systems, training programs, maintenance programs, flight data monitoring systems, and risk assessment. Wherever these documents have been widely distributed and utilized, we have seen a reduction in the accident rate within the civil helicopter community.

**The IHST toolkits**, along with safety-related videos and analysis reports, can be obtained at no cost through the group's newly reorganized website at [www.IHST.org](http://www.IHST.org). The IHST website is now simpler to navigate for tools and reports, and allows easy access to worldwide data and information.

**We invite you** to look at our website once again and see the helpful information and tools you can obtain. In the box on the upper right-hand side of the website, click on and access our toolkits in the areas of [Safety Management](#), [Training](#), [Technology](#), and [Maintenance](#).

In this section, please take a moment to participate in our brief, seven-question [Feedback Survey](#). We are especially interested in your feedback regarding our toolkits and your thoughts about new toolkit topics. Also take a look at our new [Presentations section](#) and [our updated \(IHST Calendar\) of helicopter-related events](#). You can also link to us on [Facebook](#) for new safety tools and information.

Our mission is challenging, but we know we can reduce the accident rate in the helicopter industry. It will take a strong cooperative effort, so we need your help. Join the team. Be a part of the mission. Help us save lives.

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