USS Port Royal (CG 73)

USS PORT ROYAL COMMAND PHILOSOPHY

Our mission is to be prepared to conduct sustained combat operations and when ordered fight and swiftly win!

<u>COMBAT READINESS</u>: In order to fight and win, we must be ready. Combat readiness will drive everything we do as a team. We are one team and we must put forth our best effort everyday for PORT ROYAL to be successful, never forget that. We must be physically, mentally and morally prepared for the challenges of combat. As seagoing professional warriors, we will maintain OUR combat readiness by ensuring:

- 1. We are qualified at our watchstations
- 2. We use current references and authorized procedures
- 3. WE DO NOT BYPASS OR DISABLE SAFETIES OR ALARMS WITHOUT MY PERMISSION!
- 4. We are self sufficient: FIX IT NOW, FIX IT OURSELVES!

<u>PERSONAL READINESS</u>: We must take care of our families. Communicate with and prepare our family for deployments. Be proactive and utilize the tremendous resources available. Our families are the critical support, which enables us to be the greatest Navy in the world.

PERSONAL GROWTH: Our success is built upon our development as professional warriors and leaders. We will develop personal and professional goals with timelines and established completion dates. Our success in the Navy is based upon hard work and professional knowledge.

RESPONSIBILITY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND LOYALTY: We have all accepted a tremendous responsibility. The citizens of the United States have placed their trust in us to protect and defend our great nation against all enemies foreign and domestic. Additionally as leaders we are trusted with our nation's most valuable asset, the lives of the sons and daughters of our great nation. We are all accountable to fulfill the oath we took upon entering the world's greatest Navy. Our actions will be guided by the core values of honor, courage, and commitment. Our professional loyalties are clear: Our Constitution, Our Navy, Our Fleet, Our Ship, and Our Shipmates. We will treat each other with fairness, dignity, and respect. As ambassadors of the United States and representatives of the world's greatest Navy, we must maintain the highest standards of personal conduct.

USS PORT ROYAL'S ABILITY TO FIGHT AND WIN SWIFTLY RESTS UPON OUR SHOULDERS AS THE MEN AND WOMEN THAT MAN HER. WE ARE THE LIFE BLOOD OF COMBAT READINESS IN USS PORT ROYAL, THIS IS OUR SHIP: NEVER FORGET THAT! ALWAYS HAVE THE "WILL TO WIN!"

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