

# KNOWING YOUR WAY AROUND AN AIRCRAFT

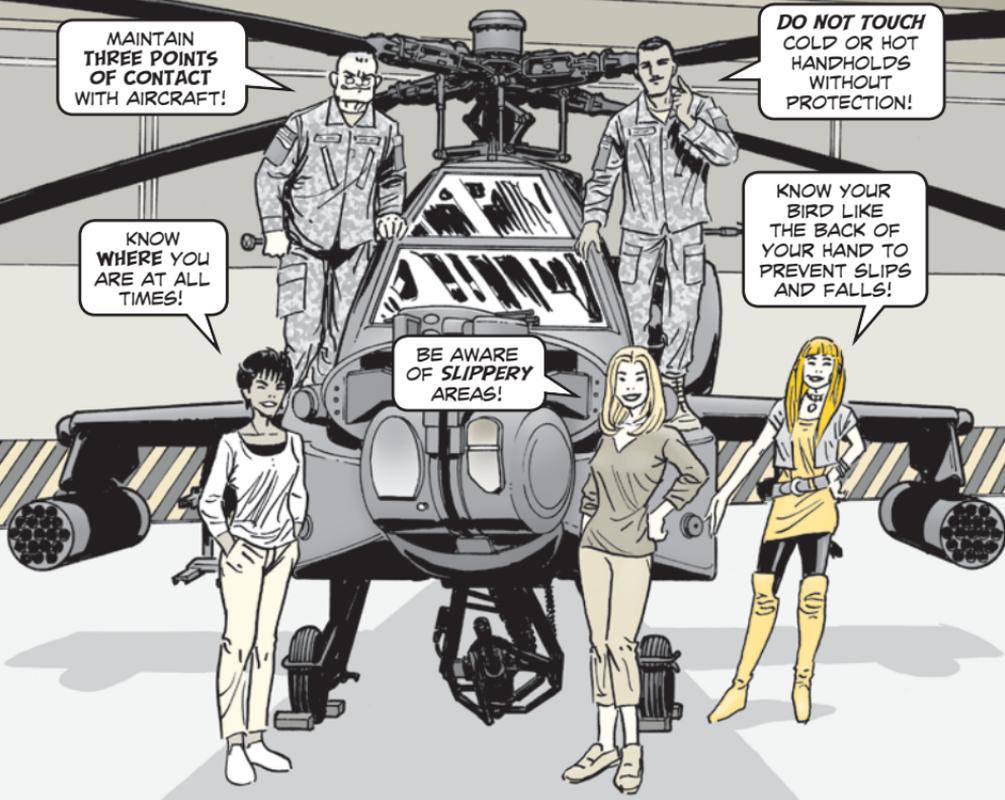
MAINTAIN THREE POINTS OF CONTACT WITH AIRCRAFT!

DO NOT TOUCH COLD OR HOT HANDHOLDS WITHOUT PROTECTION!

KNOW WHERE YOU ARE AT ALL TIMES!

KNOW YOUR BIRD LIKE THE BACK OF YOUR HAND TO PREVENT SLIPS AND FALLS!

BE AWARE OF SLIPPERY AREAS!



**M**echanics, preventing injuries is an aircraft safety concern that should not be an afterthought.

When it comes to mounting or dismounting your aircraft during maintenance you need to know the best way to prevent falls. The first step is knowledge: Check the TM before you start. Know where all the footholds, handholds, steps, walkways and 'no-step' areas are.

Always maintain situational awareness: watch out for trip and fall hazards like surfaces covered with POL (fuel, grease, or oil), ice, frost, or snow. Always maintain three points of contact with aircraft at all times, but be aware that touching a hot or cold-soaked handhold with unprotected skin can cause injuries, too!

Don't take this bit of advice for granted. It could save you from bodily injury or worse.