

HEY! WATCH THAT IFF ANTENNA!

YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME.

AW, DON'T WORRY.

I'VE GOT MAD LIMBO SKILLS NOW.

Heads Up on IFF Antenna

PILOTS, IF YOU'RE WEARING YOUR HGU-56/P HELMET AS YOU WALK AROUND YOUR KIOWA WARRIOR PERFORMING A PRE-FLIGHT INSPECTION...



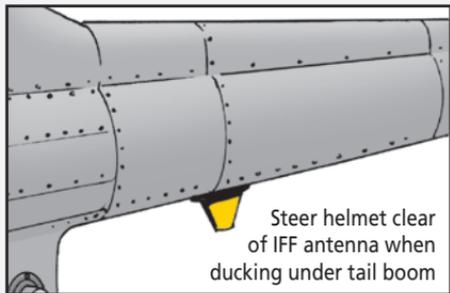
...WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOIN'!

If you need to duck under the tail boom, stay clear of the identification friend or foe (IFF) antenna. If your helmet smacks into the antenna, your Kiowa could be unidentifiable.

The IFF antenna can be easily damaged or broken if you bend or bump it. That makes your aircraft partially mission capable. It may be OK for flying under normal circumstances at home base, but not for tactical situations. In a hostile environment, the aircraft is NMC until the IFF antenna gets repaired.

As part of your pre-flight checks, place your hand on the bottom near the antenna to block yourself from bumping into it as you duck underneath the tail boom.

Think of it this way: ducking under the tail boom near the antenna is a good way to practice your limbo skills. Just stay under the tail boom and out of the antenna's way.



Steer helmet clear of IFF antenna when ducking under tail boom