

## LZ CONSIDERATIONS

- Size- (Preferred is 100' x 100')
- **Surface** (Max slope 8°, firm, advise of snow, dust...)
- **Obstructions** (Fences, Wires, Towers, Signs, Birds)
- Accessibility (take note of what is between the patient and the landing zone; you'll need to carry him/her to the helicopter)
- Weather (Winds, Visibility, Snow, Smoke)
- **HAZ-MAT** (Advise pilot of any HAZMAT, patient must be decontaminated prior to transport)
- Keep LZ clear from pedestrian and auto traffic
- Keep public back 300 Ft
- Keep rescue apparatus back 100 Ft.
- Do not allow any vehicle or pedestrian traffic near the LZ from prior to landing until they have taken off.

Approaching the helicopter

- When approaching the aircraft always make eye contact with the pilot and approach at the pilots signal.
- Never go near the tail rotor running or not
- Always walk around the front of the helicopter
- Never approach the helicopter while the blades are turning, unless you are escorted in by a flight crew member
- No smoking within 50' of the helicopter

- Always establish landing and take-off direction into the wind.
- Ensure approach and departure path are free of obstacles.
- Turn-on / enable light source when aircraft is 5 minutes from arrival.
- Advise the pilot of the <u>LZ considerations</u> on contact and type of LZ marking being used.
- Pilot-in-Command will make the final decision of landing direction and location.

