

## APPROACHING OR LEAVING A HELICOPTER



Do not approach without receiving a visual signal from the pilot. Do not leave without a visual or spoken instruction to do so. Stay where the pilot can see you at all times.



On sloping ground always approach or leave on the downslope side for maximum rotor clearance.



If blinded by swirling dust or grit, STOP – crouch lower, or sit down and wait for assistance.



If disembarking while the helicopter is hovering, get out slowly and smoothly when cleared to by the pilot.



Do not approach or leave a helicopter when the engine and rotors are running down or starting up.



Crouch while walking for extra rotor clearance. Always remove hats. Never reach up or chase after anything that blows away.



Carry long objects horizontally below waist level – never upright or on the shoulder.



# Safety Around Helicopters

## TAKEOFF, LANDING, AND LOADING OPERATIONS

