

# **RULES FOR LOOKING AT AIRCRAFT**

- 1) KEEP HANDS IN POCKETS.** Look only, do not touch without the owners permission.
- 2) WATCH YOUR CHILDREN,** They are curious and love to run, climb, and touch everything. The number one cause of damage to display aircraft, is children running. And guess who gets injured when the aircraft gets damaged.
- 3) MOVE SLOWLY, NO RUNNING, USE CAUTION** When walking around aircraft, stay alert. They have all kinds of stuff sticking out of them that can be damaged, broken, or cause injury to you or your children.

It has been our observation at many airshows across the nation, the display aircraft are now being roped off to keep the general public away from the planes. This is because of damage being caused by spectators to the display aircraft.

In every case, the reason is the lack of knowledge by the spectators on the appropriate method for viewing aircraft up close. Its not their fault, no one has taught them how to act, move about, or what their responsibilities are, when they enter this new environment called "The Ramp".

Airplanes are very fragile when sitting on the ground. They're not like automobiles that seem to be designed in a robust manner and can take it when subject to a fair amount of abuse.

In most cases, the primary design goal of an aircraft is not aimed at providing maximum protection to a child who is running aimlessly around the aircraft. Nor does the aircraft design take into account self-protection from a curious 5 year old who doesn't think twice about swinging on that tube that's sticking out of the wing.

By following the three simple rules above, you'll help protect the aircraft and yourself from damage. And hopefully, we won't have to rope off the display aircraft.

**THANK YOU**