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Military Parachuting Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Specialist assigned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, died in a military parachuting mishap 19 April 2021 on Sicily Drop Zone (DZ) at approximately 1240 local. The Soldier was conducting a static-line jump from a UH-60. She was found on Sicily DZ entangled in her parachute with no pulse. The Soldier was medically evacuated to Womack Army Medical Center on Fort Bragg, where she was pronounced dead

Since FY16, the Army has averaged one military parachuting fatality per year. This was the first military parachuting fatality of FY21 and less than the number of similar mishaps during the same time period last year.

PLRs are intended to be used as an engagement tool for leaders to discuss the hazards and trends impacting Soldier safety and readiness. The PLR contains only basic information but provides sufficient background to allow leaders an opportunity to communicate risk at the Soldier level. More detailed information on this and other Army mishaps can be found on the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/lessonslearned>.

To access current U.S. Army accident statistics and reports, visit <https://safety.army.mil/STATISTICS>.

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Additional U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center PLR resources can be found on the USACRC website at <https://safety.army.mil/PLR>.

