Note: When directing a taxiing helicopter, the signalman’s position is slightly to the right, in full view of the pilot, at a safe distance of no less than 40 meters (or no closer than 20 meters during slingload operations). The signalman should never stand in front of an armed helicopter.

- **Cut Engine/Stop**:either arm, level with shoulder and palm down. Draw extended hand across neck in throat-cutting motion.
- **Load Not Released**:bend left arm and fist horizontally across chest with knuckles down. Point open, right hand up to center of left fist.
- **Hookup Complete**:move fist up and down making contact with stationary fist on top of helmet.
- **Spot Turn**:move hand up and backward from horizontal position to indicate tail movement. Point other hand toward center of spot turn.
- **Release**:extend left arm horizontally with fist toward load while right arm makes horizontal slicing motion under left arm with palm down.
- **Proceed to Next Signalman**:hold arm down. Extend other arm across body to indicate direction to next signalman.
- **Land**:extend crossed arms downward in front of body.
- **Stop**:cross arms above head with palms forward.
- **Negative Signal**:hand raised with thumb pointing down.
- **Move Right/Left**:extend arm horizontally to side in direction of movement. Swing other arm over head in same direction. Repeat.
- **Move Ahead**:extend arms slightly away from side with palms to rear. Repeatedly move arms up and back from shoulder height.
- **Move Rearward**:place arms by sides with palms forward. Sweep arms forward and upward level with shoulders repeatedly.
- **Assume Guidance**:extend arms above head in vertical position with palms facing forward.
- **Go Around, Do Not Land**:extend arms above head in vertical position with palms facing forward.
- **Hover**:extend arms horizontally to sides with palms down. For landing helicopter, aircraft should be in normal hover height and just short of landing point, depending on forward speed.
- **Depart**:make overhead circular motion with right hand ending with throwing motion in direction of lift-off.
- **Move Downward/Upward**:extend arms horizontally to sides with palms down. Drop hands to sides.
- **Extend arms horizontally to sides with palms up. Bring hands together over head.**