



**MARINE AVIATION
LOGISTICS SQUADRON 39
(MALS-39)
HELLHOUNDS**



**SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND
RESPONSE (SAPR) PROGRAM POLICY
LETTER**

Sexual assault is a crime. It violates our core values, erodes trust, and undermines the discipline and cohesion essential to mission success. It is a betrayal of the sacred commitment we make to one another as Marines and Sailors. The safety, dignity, and well-being of every Hellhound is paramount — there is no room for complacency. Sexual assault includes intentional sexual contact involving force, threats, abuse of authority, or when the victim is unable to consent. Survivors must know they are not alone and will be treated with respect, confidentiality, and care. Our commitment is to protect survivors, honor their reporting choices, and ensure swift and just action against offenders.

We honor both Restricted and Unrestricted reporting options. **Restricted** reports can be made confidentially to a SAPR Victim Advocate (VA) or the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC). A victim may speak to a SAPR VA, SARC, the Installation 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line (760-500-1707), Chaplain, Military Healthcare Provider (MTF), or 24/7 DoD Safe Help Line (877-995-5247), Victim's Legal Counsel, and maintain a restricted report.

Unrestricted reports allow a victim to seek medical, advocacy support, legal assistance, counseling services, command and law enforcement involvement. **Expanded eligibility to file restricted reports**, victims are eligible to file restricted reports, providing they did not personally report the sexual assault incident to law enforcement, to include MCIOs, and they did not previously elect to make a unrestricted report by signing DD2910, with a SARC or SAPR VA on the same sexual assault incident. Victims are eligible to file even if a) they disclosed the sexual assault incident to their commander or to personnel in the chain of command; b) there is an ongoing MCIO investigation into the sexual assault incident initiated by a third party and not due to the victim's disclosure to law enforcement; c) the MCIO investigation into the sexual assault incident has been closed.

Survivors who have the courage to report must feel confident that their personal safety will be protected and that they will not be re-victimized by the organization. Marines and Sailors who are sexually assaulted are physically, mentally, and emotionally traumatized. They deserve to be treated with sensitivity, care, and respect. They will receive appropriate medical, emotional, psychological, and social services. Care will be given to ensure the identity of a survivor is released only to those who have a need-to-know. Survivors who choose to make a Restricted Report or Unrestricted Report will have that choice honored to the fullest extent.

Leadership at every level will know and implement the guidance in MCO 1752.5C. SAPR VAs and the MAG-39 SARC will support annual training and ensure survivors receive access to appropriate medical, psychological, and social services. We will protect survivor privacy and restrict disclosure to those with a strict need to know.

Sexual assault is a complete and total contradiction to the core values that we all embrace. Eliminating sexual assault will take a dedicated community effort. All Hellhounds must be willing to speak out against sexual violence and to intervene when necessary. I challenge each leader and individual to accept responsibility for achieving this goal. Our Hellhound family deserves nothing less than our complete dedication to this cause.

Semper Fidelis,

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