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Sexual Assault Policy



Sexual Assault is a crime that has no place in our Marine Corps. Sexual assault is defined as intentional sexual contact, characterized by the use of force, physical threat of force or abuse of authority; or when the victim does not or cannot consent. **We will not tolerate sexual assault in this unit.** These activities will be prosecuted to the maximum extent of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. If you see a situation developing that causes you concern or encounter an actual assault in progress- **INTERVENE.**

In the event an assault occurs, there are two methods of reporting the incident:

- 1) **Unrestricted reporting** includes all suspected, alleged, or actual sexual assaults made known to command or law enforcement for formal investigation.
- 2) **Restricted reporting** affords military victims of sexual assault the option to make a confidential report to specified individuals (Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), Victim Advocate (VA), Uniformed Victim Advocate (UVA), counselors, and healthcare providers).

Victims of sexual assault will be treated with sensitivity, decency and respect. If you feel you are a victim of sexual assault, do not hesitate to contact any of the following resources:

- Uniformed Victim Advocates (UVA): SSgt Townes (858) 307-1003
- Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC): (858) 864-3325
- Chaplain: (858) 307-4443
- Victims Legal Counsel (VLC): (703) 232-3487
- MCAS Miramar Sexual Assault 24/7 Helpline: (858) 864-2815
- DOD Safe Helpline: (877) 995-5247

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