



Marine Corps Logistics Command Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Statement

Sexual assault is a criminal act that will not be tolerated. It is not only prejudicial to good order and discipline but can deteriorate a person's mental and physical health. Sexual assault is defined as intentional sexual contact characterized by the use of force, threats, intimidation, abuse of authority, or when the victim does not or cannot consent. ***Consent entails words or overt acts indicating a freely given agreement to the sexual conduct by a willing, competent person.*** Lack of verbal or physical resistance due to physical force, intimidation, threats, or coercion does not constitute consent. There is no consent when a person is unconscious, asleep, or incapacitated.



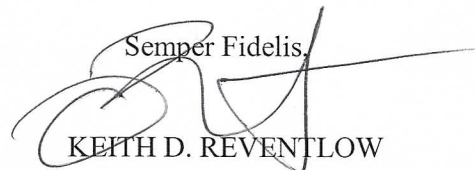
The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) program provides victims with advocates who will help ensure their safety and assist them in accessing support resources and services. Victims of sexual assault will be treated with dignity and respect, those who seek assistance from a Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) or SAPR Victim Advocate (VA) are assured that anything they discuss will remain confidential. An incident of sexual assault may be reported via the following methods:

Restricted Report: This option is available for those who have not personally informed law enforcement or already filed an unrestricted report. A restricted report provides advocacy, medical treatment, and counseling services without command support or a law enforcement investigation. A restricted report can be made to the Command SARC, SAPR VA, or through the 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line.

Unrestricted Report: An unrestricted report provides advocacy, medical treatment, counseling services, a law enforcement investigation, and command support including the possibility of an expedited transfer and/or military protective orders. An unrestricted report can be made directly to: the Command SARC or SAPR VA, the 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line, law enforcement authorities, healthcare providers, or the chain of command.

Together, we will cultivate a climate of respect and exercise prevention-focused leadership throughout the Command. Each of us must be willing to speak out against sexual violence and intervene when necessary. Failure to report or ignoring sexual assault will have damaging consequences on both the workforce and our organization. If any person becomes a victim or is aware of a sexual assault, I encourage them to contact the Command SARC or a SAPR VA for assistance.

Eliminating sexual assault requires a dedicated community whose leadership is committed to this endeavor. Our Marine Family deserves nothing less.

Semper Fidelis.


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