

**3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES  
COMMANDING OFFICER POLICY STATEMENT**



**SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE (SAPR)**

***INTENT: The 3d Battalion, 3d Marines Team will maintain an environment where we cherish and protect the value of the individual and eliminate the conditions that lead to sexual assault. All members of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines will actively scan our on- and off-duty environments to recognize improper behavior and conditions that lead to sexual assault and will have the moral courage to intervene to prevent any incidents of sexual assault or other inappropriate sexual misconduct from occurring in our unit.***

Sexual assault is a crime, and we will hold offenders accountable. Sexual assault can occur regardless of gender, spousal relationship, or age of the victim. Leaders in this command will treat victims of sexual assault with compassion, provide them support regardless of the circumstances; and ensure they are not subjected to reprisal or retaliation for reporting a sexual assault.

There are two reporting options for victims of sexual assault:

Restricted Report: This reporting option allows victims to disclose the crime confidentially to a Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), SAPR Victim Advocate (VA), healthcare personnel, counselor, Victim's Legal Counsel, or Chaplain so they can receive medical treatment and SAPR services. If a victim files a Restricted Report, their chain-of-command will not be notified and the report, and any details provided, will not be reported to the Provost Marshall Office or Naval Criminal Investigative Service for initiation of any official investigation of the crime. If a victim wants to pursue criminal charges, they must file an Unrestricted Report.

Unrestricted Report: This reporting option is for victims of sexual assault who desire an official investigation of the crime. Service members who are sexually assaulted and want to make an Unrestricted Report may report the assault to a SARC, SAPR VA, healthcare personnel, a member of your chain-of-command, law enforcement, legal personnel, or a Chaplain.

If you are a victim of sexual assault, contact a Uniformed Victim Advocate (UVA) or the (SARC), Chief Warrant Officer 2 Tom, at (808) 257-1916. You can also contact the 24/7 toll free DoD Safe Helpline at 877-995-5852 or www.selfhelpline.org for immediate assistance.

  
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