



## COMBAT LOGISTICS REGIMENT 17 COMMANDING OFFICER'S SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE (SAPR) POLICY



Sexual assault is a crime. It is a direct violation of our core values—honor, courage, and commitment—and is absolutely incompatible with the standards and expectations of Marines, Sailors, and Civilians who serve under this command. As the Commanding Officer of Combat Logistics Regiment 17, I have zero tolerance for sexual assault in any form. It undermines our mission, corrodes trust, and erodes the combat readiness we are entrusted to uphold.

At CLR-17, everything we do is grounded in Lethality, Logistics Excellence, and Leadership—fueled by a Warrior Culture and defined by Trust and Ownership at every level. These are not slogans; they are lived values that require a climate of decency, respect, and professionalism. Sexual assault has no place in that culture. Each one of us—regardless of rank, billet, or employment status—has a responsibility to build and sustain an environment that protects the dignity of every individual and supports those who come forward.

Prevention begins with leadership. I expect leaders at every level to demonstrate prevention-focused behavior, to set the example, to challenge toxic attitudes or behaviors when observed, and to intervene early. This includes not just formal corrective action, but everyday efforts to create a workplace that encourages trust, accountability, and inclusion. Leadership is prevention.

Every Marine, Sailor, and Civilian employee must understand how to report a sexual assault. There are two reporting options: Restricted and Unrestricted.

- Restricted reporting allows victims to access care and advocacy services confidentially—without triggering an official investigation or command notification.


- Unrestricted reporting initiates a formal investigation and engages command channels.

Regardless of the path a victim chooses, they will be treated with dignity, fairness, and respect. The choice belongs to the victim, and they will be fully supported either way.

We will also maintain a command climate in which retaliation is not tolerated both on and off duty at any given time. Marines, Sailors, and Civilians must feel confident that they can report misconduct—or support a fellow team member—without fear of reprisal, ostracism, or adverse impact to their careers. Retaliation is not only prohibited—it is an attack on our unit cohesion and ethical foundation. I will hold leaders and peers accountable for upholding a culture where everyone feels safe to speak and act in accordance with their conscience and duty.

Finally, this policy will be reviewed annually. We will reinforce it through continuous education, consistent command messaging, and unwavering leadership commitment.

Let there be no doubt: SAPR is not a collateral duty—it is a command priority. Protecting our people protects the mission.

  
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