

Joint Forces Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program Title 10 Reporting Options

Reporting sexual assaults in the Army and Air National Guard will ensure victims receive needed assistance and offenders are dealt with effectively. National Guard members in Title 10 status (federal control) who are victims of sexual assault may choose between two reporting options: **unrestricted reporting and restricted reporting**. This sheet compares the entitlements of each reporting option.

		Unrestricted Reporting Option	Restricted Reporting Option
Investigation			
	A Line of Duty investigation is triggered by reporting	Yes	No
	Military Court proceedings may be initiated	Yes	No
Confidentiality			
	Victim may disclose the assault to a Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), Victim Advocate (VA), healthcare provider, or Chaplain	Yes	Yes
	Command is notified of non-identifying information only	No	Yes
	Victim controls release and management of his/her personal information	No	Yes
	If victim discusses the assault with other service members, they are obligated to report the crime	Yes	Yes
Victim Benefits			
	Victim may receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical treatment • Forensic examination • Advocacy services • Counseling assistance 	Yes	Yes
	Separation of the victim and the offender may be possible	Yes	No
	Victim may receive Civilian/Military Protective Order	Yes	No
	Investigation into collateral misconduct may be deferred	Yes	No
	Victim may elect unrestricted reporting at any time*	N/A	Yes
Community Benefits			
	Offender can be punished	Yes	No
	Other victims may be encouraged to come forward	Yes	No

*Note: If the victim later chooses to switch from restricted to unrestricted reporting, evidence from the crime scene will have been lost, which could impede the official investigation.