



Anchorage MEPS Important Information for Applicant Guests

Anchorage MEPS looks forward to welcoming you to witness your loved one take the Oath of Enlistment prior to shipping to basic training. Today they join an honored tradition of service to something greater, showing great selflessness, courage, and commitment just by volunteering to serve. We are honored to welcome them, and you, into the military family.

Below you will find information about visiting Anchorage MEPS. Please read it in its entirety before your visit.

Viewing the Oath of Enlistment Ceremony:

- Active-Duty applicants who are about to ship to basic training as well as National Guard and Reserve applicants are authorized *two* adult guests to attend their Oath of Enlistment. Guests under the age of 18 do not count toward an applicant's two visitors. Additional visitors require prior approval from the MEPS.
- Guests are allowed in the MEPS 30-minutes prior to the ceremony. Oath times vary throughout the day.
- Applicants will contact their guests approximately 30 minutes prior to the Oath of Enlistment ceremony. Please remain nearby the MEPS to ensure timely arrival.
- Guests must exit the MEPS following the ceremony.
- Disruptive guests will be asked to leave.

Getting to the MEPS

- Anchorage MEPS is located in a commercially leased building.
1717 C Street, Anchorage, AK, 99501
- Guests will need a federal or state issued photo I.D. to get inside the building.
 - Entering the building routinely takes 5 minutes but could take longer.
 - <https://www.mepcom.army.mil/Units/Western-Sector/5th-Battalion/Anchorage/>

Parking at the MEPS

- Parking is available near the entrance of the building.

Security while at the MEPS

- Provide a valid, physical or official digital I.D. (photos of I.D.s are not acceptable).
 - Acceptable - Driver's License, State I.D., Passport, City I.D. (or other I.D. specified in UMR 601-23, available [here](#))
 - Minors must be accompanied by an adult. They do not require I.D.
- After you get to the MEPS, use the intercom to the right of the main doors.
- All guests will go through a security screening to include metal detector, X-ray machine, bag check. Guests' bags will be scanned by security for contraband before entering the building. Please plan accordingly.



- Specific contraband items include firearms, knives of all types, pepper spray, any type of tobacco products, etc.
 - To decrease check-in times, guests are encouraged not to bring bags.
- Guests must sign in and out on a visitor control log along with wearing a visitor badge while at the MEPS facility.

Photography

- Photo and/or video are only authorized in the Oath of Enlistment Ceremony room.

Refreshments while at the MEPS

- A vending machine is available for purchase of a drink/snack.

Point of Contact at MEPS

- If you have questions, please contact (833) 300-4233