

<u>Fort Dix MEPS</u> <u>Important Information for Applicant Guests</u>

Fort Dix 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 Fort Dix 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 of Enlistment ceremony times vary throughout the day.
- An applicant 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 completion of the Oath of Enlistment ceremony.

Getting to the MEPS

- Fort Dix MEPS is located on Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.
 - o 5645 Texas Ave Joint Base MDL, NJ 08640
- The sponsoring Recruiting Service Command is responsible for escorting the applicant's visitor(s) to the MEPS entrance. MEPS personnel will not be available to escort an applicant's visitor(s) from the military installation gates to the MEPS.
- Requirements to get on base or inside the federal building:
 - Entering the installation or building routinely takes 3 minutes but could take longer. Please plan accordingly.

Parking at the MEPS

• Parking lot directly in front of the Fort Dix MEPS building.

Security while at the MEPS

- An applicant's visitor(s) must provide valid physical or official digital identification.
- If an applicant's visitor(s) is a minor, the minor does not require identification but must be accompanied by an adult.
- An applicant's visitor(s) will go through a security screening to include metal detector, X-ray machine, bag check. To decrease screening times, a visitor(s) is encouraged not to bring bags.
- An applicant's visitor(s) must sign in and out on a visitor control log along with wearing a visitor badge while at the MEPS facility.



Photography in the MEPS

• An applicant's visitor(s) is only authorized to take a photo and/or video in the Oath of Enlistment Ceremony room.

Refreshments while at the MEPS

• A vending machine is available for purchase of a drink(s)/snack(s).

Point of Contact at MEPS

• If you have questions, please contact the MEPS Operations Center at (609) 316-3697.