



Seattle MEPS

Important Information for Applicant Guests

Seattle 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 the MEPS. Please read it entirely before your visit.

Viewing the Oath of Enlistment Ceremony:

- Active-Duty applicants 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; the 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 will have the opportunity to take pictures, videos and say goodbye immediately following the ceremony.
- Guests must exit the MEPS following completion of the Oath of Enlistment ceremony.
- Disruptive guests will be asked to leave.

Getting to the MEPS

- Seattle MEPS is located at 4735 East Marginal Way S Seattle, WA 98134.
- 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 security guard post to the MEPS.
- MEPS personnel will not be available to escort guests from the military installation gates to the MEPS

REAL-ID

Recruiting Service:

- Responsible for ensuring their applicant has a [REAL ID-compliant identification](#). If an applicant requires assistance obtaining a [REAL ID compliant identification](#), the sponsoring Service will direct the applicant to the state/territory driver's license issuing agency's website (e.g., Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of State, etc.) for the required documentation and process.

Responsible for ensuring their shipper, inclusive of a Non-MEPS shipper, who travel by domestic airlines, possess a [REAL ID-compliant](#)



identification.

MEPS:

Is not responsible for ensuring an applicant possesses the required REAL ID needed to gain access to the military installation, MEPS facility, etc., or what may be required by the building's security (e.g., Federal Protective Service).

Will not hinder processing of an applicant once inside the MEPS solely because they do not possess a REAL ID, if the applicant has an authorized photographic ID. (unless shipping)

Parking at the MEPS

- Parking at the Seattle MEPS is located in front of the federal building and across East Marginal Way

Security while at the MEPS

- Guests must provide valid physical identification DIGITAL FORMS are not accepted at Seattle MEPS.
- Minor guests do not require identification but must be accompanied by an adult.
- Guests will go through a security screening to include metal detector, X-ray machine, and any additional assigned security measures.
- Guests 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

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

Refreshments while at the MEPS

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

Point of Contact at MEPS

- If you have questions, please contact the MEPS at (206) 701-5105.