



## El Paso MEPS Fact Sheet of Important Information for an Applicant's Visitor(s)

El Paso 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 El Paso 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**

- El Paso MEPS is located on Ft. Bliss.  
Morgan Ave, Suite E, El Paso, TX  
79906
- MEPS personnel will not be available to escort guests from the military installation gates or Federal Building lobby to the MEPS.
- Visitor Access Passes: Fort Bliss has a community Access Pass that can be used at all access control points for more information visit:  
<https://home.army.mil/bliss/index.php/my-fort/all-services/gate-information>
- Entering the installation or building routinely takes 30 minutes but could take longer. Please plan accordingly.
- Buffalo Soldier and Chaffee gates issue visitor passes to get on base.

### **Parking at the MEP**

- Parking is available in designated parking spaces.

### **Security while at the MEPS**

- Guests must provide valid physical or official digital identification.
- 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, bag check. To decrease screening times, guests are encouraged not to bring bags.

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- An applicant's visitor(s) must sign in and out on a visitor control laptop along with wearing a visitor badge while at the MEPS facility.

### **Photography in the MEPS**

- Guests are only authorized to take photos and/or video in the Oath of Enlistment Ceremony room.

### **Refreshments while at the MEPS**

- The USO is available for drinks and snacks Monday-Thursday.

### **Point of Contact at MEPS**

- If you have questions, please contact:
  - <https://www.mepcom.army.mil/Units/Western-Sector/9th-Battalion/El-Paso/>
  - El Paso MEPS phone: (915) 995-3200