Honolulu MEPS
Important Information for Applicant Guests

Honolulu 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 Honolulu 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 60 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 here

- Honolulu MEPS is located in Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam.
    - 490 Central Ave. BLDG 281, Pearl Harbor, HI 96860
- Recruiting commands are responsible for escorting guests to the MEPS entrance and/or coordinating with JBPHH Nimitz Visitor Control Center, Pass & ID.
- Guests with a valid Military ID may enter the base without escort and proceed to the above address.
- Guests will need a federal or state issued photo I.D. to get inside the building.
- Entering the installation or building routinely takes approximately 10 minutes.
- https://www.mepcom.army.mil/Units/Western-Sector/5th-Battalion/Honolulu/

Parking

- Visitor parking is scarce but available around Quik Field and the MEPS building.

Security

- Provide a valid, physical I.D. (photos of I.D.s are not acceptable)
- Acceptable - Driver's License, State I.D., Military/Retiree/Dependent ID, Passport
- Minors must be accompanied by an adult. They do not require I.D.
- All guests will go through a security screening to include metal detector, X-ray machine, bag check. Guest bags will be scanned by security for contraband before entering. Please plan accordingly.

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Specific contraband items include firearms, knives of all types, pepper spray, etc.

- To decrease check-in times, guests are encouraged not to bring bags.
- Guests must sign in and out on a visitor log and wear a visitor badge while at the MEPS.

Photography

- Photo and video are only authorized in the Oath Ceremony room.

Refreshments

- Vending machines are available for drinks and snacks.

Point of Contact

- If you have questions, please contact 808-664-6144