



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE OFFICE



Expedited Transfer

Service member or adult dependents making Unrestricted Reports of sexual assault may request an Expedited Transfer (ET) to aid in recovery. ETs may be permanent or temporary, and can include a change in station, duty location, or a change in assignment, schedule, or housing to reduce interactions with the suspect or others. You should work with your leadership and assistance providers to identify how an ET can improve your access to social support and other forms of assistance, while balancing other considerations such as military career progression. ETs are not possible for Restricted Reports.

ETs are not used to address safety matters. If you are feeling unsafe, report it immediately to your commander, law enforcement, SARC, or Special Victims' Counsel to obtain help.

You are eligible for an Expedited Transfer if you are:

A Service member who filed an Unrestricted Report.

If you filed a Restricted Report, you must change your reporting option to Unrestricted in order to be eligible.

An adult military dependent who filed an Unrestricted Report and:

- The suspect is a Service member, or
- The suspect has a military connection (dependent, DoD civilian employee, or government contractor), or
- The incident occurred on a DoD installation.

How do I submit an Expedited Transfer request?

To submit an ET request, contact your SARC for assistance in providing a written request to your commander (or sponsor's commander, if a dependent). You may speak with Special Victims' Counsel/ Victim's Legal Counsel/ Victim's Counsel before submitting a request; however, the request must involve the SARC. If you will need additional time (beyond 30 days) for your transfer, you will need to state that in your initial ET request since transfers are expected to take place within 30 days.

Once I have submitted an Expedited Transfer request, what's next?

Commander Review	Your commander will review and approve or disapprove the ET request within five calendar days of submission. Upon receipt of the ET request, commanders must immediately notify the SARC.
GO/FO Review (If Requested)	If the ET is disapproved by command, you may request review by the first General Officer or Flag Officer (GO/FO) in your chain of command. They must also complete their decision within five calendar days of submission of the review request.
Pre-Departure SARC Meeting	Approved ETs involving a Permanent Change of Station (PCS) have special requirements. Before you move, there is a mandatory outtake meeting with the SARC at your current location. This is to set up a meeting with the SARC at your new location.
SARC Intake Meeting	Once you have made the PCS move, you must attend the meeting as arranged with the SARC at your new location. The SARC will explain the available resources at your new location and address concerns you may have. After this initial meeting, you may decide whether or not you want to continue SAPR advocacy services.
Commander Intake Meeting	If you seek continued advocacy, legal, or healthcare (medical and mental health) services at the new location, or if the investigation of your report is ongoing or a trial will be held, there is also a mandatory intake meeting with your new commander so he or she can be aware of your upcoming appointments and potential travel.

For more information about the Expedited Transfer process, review Enclosure 5 of DoDI 6495.02, Volume 1, "Adult Sexual Assault Prevention and Response: Program Procedures" or visit sapr.mil/policy.

For more information, please visit sapr.mil.

For confidential victim assistance, call or visit the DoD Safe Helpline at 877-995-5247 or safehelpline.org.