

Defense Organizational Climate Survey (DEOCS) 5.1 Service-specific Questions

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Service-specific questions are designated by select Services to be included in each Defense Organizational Climate Survey (DEOCS) administered within a given Service component. These questions may include some items from the DEOCS Custom Question Bank (CQB) so be sure to review these items prior to selecting custom questions.

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Army Service-specific Questions

The Army is authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by Army leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- Active Duty Army
- Reserve Army

- 1. If someone reported sexual assault to my current command, my commander would take the report seriously.
- 2. My commander would intervene if an individual received sexual attention at work.
- 3. My unit's senior NCO/SEL would intervene if an individual received sexual attention at work.
- 4. In my unit, reporters of sexual assault would be discouraged from moving forward with the report.
- 5. In my unit, military members/employees who filed a sexual harassment complaint would be discouraged from moving forward with the complaint.
- 6. In my unit, reporters of sexual harassment would be blamed for causing problems.
- 7. In my unit, military members/employees who filed a sexual harassment complaint would be blamed for causing problems.
- 8. How often does someone from your unit ask you questions about your sex life or sexual interests that make you uncomfortable, angry, or upset?
- 9. My commander demonstrates personal courage by taking actions to address problematic behaviors (e.g., sexual harassment, sex discrimination), even when it's not popular with others.
- 10. My unit's senior NCO/SEL demonstrates personal courage by taking actions to address problematic behaviors (e.g., sexual harassment, sex discrimination), even when it's not popular with others.

Navy Service-specific Questions

The Navy is authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask of their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by Navy leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- Active Duty Navy
- Reserve Navy

- 1. I trust my command triad.
- 2. In my command, I have a trusted leader I can turn to when things get hard, personally or professionally.
- 3. My command's onboarding process (CMD Sponsorship/Indoc) sets personnel and their families (if applicable) up for success.
- 4. My command has an effective Command Resilience Team (CRT).
- 5. My command is supportive when personnel seek mental health assistance.
- 6. My command provides me with the time and resources to strengthen my mind, body, and spirit.
- 7. I believe my command will use the input provided from this survey to improve the command.
- 8. I know how to recognize and get assistance for shipmates experiencing uncontrolled stress.
- 9. I am aware of how to access family and relationship support resources.
- 10. My command values input and transparently discusses successes and failures for continuous improvement.

Marine Corps Service-specific Questions

The Marine Corps is authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by Marine Corps leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- Active Duty Marine Corps
- Reserve Marine Corps

- 1. In my unit, sometimes we have to skip approved procedures in order to meet deadlines.
- 2. People in my unit understand why they are asked to perform tasks.
- 3. In my unit, people understand the standard for tasks they are performing (in other words, they know what "right" looks like).
- 4. There are times when my leadership prioritizes the mission over personnel safety.
- 5. Safety regulations and procedures are adhered to at all times at my unit.
- 6. In my unit, I have a senior leader I can turn to when things get hard, personally or professionally.
- 7. I felt welcomed in my command/unit from the moment I arrived.
- 8. In my unit, the Command Indoctrination/Onboarding Program set me up for success on arrival.
- 9. I trust my command triad.
- 10. Is fraternization a problem in your unit?

Air Force and Space Force Service-specific Questions

The Air Force and Space Force are authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by Air Force and Space Force leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- Active Duty Air Force
- Reserve Air Force
- Active Duty Space Force
- Reserve Space Force

- 1. In my unit/organization, someone who reported a sexual assault would not experience retaliation.
- 2. I am aware of how to access resources for overall wellness.
- 3. I am likely to share information on wellness resources with a member of my unit/organization.
- 4. I am willing to utilize wellness resources (e.g., financial planning, relationship skills and counseling) before a problem.
- 5. My unit leadership/immediate supervisor encourages a proactive approach to wellness.
- 6. My unit leadership/immediate supervisor has referred me to resources to support my well-being and development.

National Guard Service-specific Questions

The National Guard is authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by National Guard leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- National Guard: Air National Guard
- National Guard: Army National Guard
- National Guard: Joint Army/Air

- 1. Do you currently have any concerns about your ability to pay for necessities (e.g., food and housing)?
- 2. Do you have access to a vehicle or public transportation that is dependable enough to get you to important appointments and errands regularly?
- 3. My current personal relationships are emotionally safe.
- 4. My current personal relationships are physically safe.
- 5. I have people to reach out to in a time of need.
- 6. I have dependable childcare for my children during military training.
- 7. My commander/leader listens to the concerns of the unit/organization members.
- 8. In my unit, reporters of sexual harassment or sexual assault would be discouraged from moving forward with the report.
- In my unit, reporters of sexual harassment or sexual assault would be blamed for causing problems.
- 10. My first line leader demonstrates personal courage by taking actions to address problematic behaviors (e.g., sexual harassment, sex discrimination), even when it's not popular with others.

Coast Guard Service-specific Questions

The Coast Guard is authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by Coast Guard leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- Active Duty Coast Guard
- Reserve Coast Guard

- 1. I am comfortable being myself while working in this unit/organization.
- 2. My commander/leader listens to the concerns of the unit/organization members.
- 3. I can rely on my commander/leader to act in my unit/organization's best interest.
- 4. I can express my safety concerns within my unit/organization without fear of reprisal.
- 5. I believe that the organization provides sufficient follow-up support after a report of sexual assault or harassment.
- 6. I feel encouraged by my unit to report unethical behavior or harassment.
- 7. The people in my unit demonstrate moral courage by doing what's right even when difficult.
- 8. Leaders in my unit hold themselves accountable to the same standards they set for others.
- 9. I feel that my commander/leader will use the information from the climate assessment to improve the unit/organization.
- 10. I believe it's important to take care of my colleague's mental health and emotional well-being, not just their physical safety.

Naval Academy and Naval Academy Prep School Service-specific Questions

The U.S. Naval Academy and Naval Academy Prep School are authorized to have up to ten Service-specific questions to ask of their personnel on the DEOCS. The questions below were selected by Academy leadership and will be **automatically added** for units or organizations that select the following information in the Service Component section during DEOCS registration:

- MSA/MSA Prep: US Naval Academy Students
- MSA/MSA Prep: Naval Academy Preparatory School Students
- MSA/MSA Prep: US Naval Academy Faculty/Staff
- MSA/MSA Prep: Naval Academy Preparatory School Faculty/Staff

- 1. My unit is cohesive.
- 2. In my unit, there is respect from the chain of command.
- 3. People in my unit have respect for the chain of command.
- 4. Personnel in my unit treat each other with respect.
- 5. In the past 12 months, I have witnessed people in my unit make it clear that sexual assault is an unacceptable act.
- 6. In the past 12 months, I have not witnessed anyone in my unit convey or condone sexist comments and behaviors.
- 7. In the past 12 months, I have witnessed people in my unit encourage bystander intervention to assist others in situations at risk for sexual assault and other harmful behaviors.
- 8. In the past 12 months, I have witnessed people in my unit publicizing sexual assault report resources (for example, SARC information, UVA/VA information, awareness posters, or sexual assault hotline number).
- 9. In the past 12 months, I have witnessed people in my unit encourage victims to report sexual assault.