



## About the Catch a Serial Offender (CATCH) Program

The CATCH program allows warfighters and others who experienced sexual assault the opportunity to anonymously submit suspect information to military criminal investigators to help the DoD identify alleged serial offenders. To make a CATCH entry, victims of sexual assault can contact a Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) or Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Victim Advocate (VA).

You may participate in the CATCH program if:

- You made a Restricted Report to a SARC or SAPR VA, or
- You made an Unrestricted Report, but the name of the suspect is not yet known to law enforcement, or
- You have decided not to make a report to military law enforcement, a SARC, or a SAPR VA at this time

Participation in the CATCH program is anonymous and voluntary. Participants may choose to opt out any point in the process, even after being notified that there was a potential match. The DoD will take any information provided by someone making an entry; however, the top five most helpful pieces of information are: 1) suspect's name, 2) suspect's phone number, 3) suspect's social media username(s) and platforms, 4) suspect's rank, and 5) date and location of the offense.

## The CATCH Program Process Submit an entry in the CATCH website Military criminal investigators at CATCH Headquarters, not at the victim's installation, analyze suspect information that victims submitted into the CATCH website. If they get a match, the investigators will notify SAPR personnel of the match. If there is a match, a specially-trained SAPR CATCH Program representative will contact the victim. The victim's identity will only be revealed to law enforcement if the victim decides to participate in the investigation. After being notified of a match, victims can decide if they would like to participate in the investigation. If victims filed a If victims filed an If victims filed an If victims choose "SAPR Related Inquiry Restricted Report, Unrestricted Report not to participate after they can convert to an but did not want to (SRI) CATCH Entry," being contacted with a they can decide to now match, they will be Unrestricted Report by participate in the asked if they want to be re-signing the DD Form file an Unrestricted investigation, they can decide to participate now. contacted if there is a 2910. Report by signing the future match. DD Form 2910

## Important Reminders

CATCH data is not assessed for matches by an algorithm. The entries have to be assessed by agents at CATCH MCIO Headquarters. A match will not happen immediately.

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Eligible persons are: 1) current Service members and their adult dependents, to include those assigned to the Military Service Academies (and their prep schools) and the Reserve and National Guard; 2) former Service members; 3) former Service members' adult dependents where the suspect is a Service member; and, 4) DoD civilian employees where the suspect or victim is a Service member.