

# **Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)**

**September 2024**

**Requests for Information #2**

**Manpower Management Enlisted Assignments**





# DUAL MILITARY ASSIGNMENT PROCESS

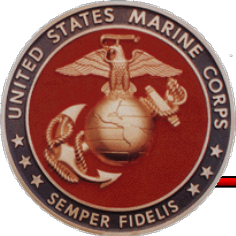
## Policy

- The Marine Corps strives to co-locate dual military couples, ensuring both members are stationed within the same local area or within 50 miles.
- Service requirements might lead to geographical separation, especially when one member serves in a different branch. This is often due to the distance between bases/stations of the different services.



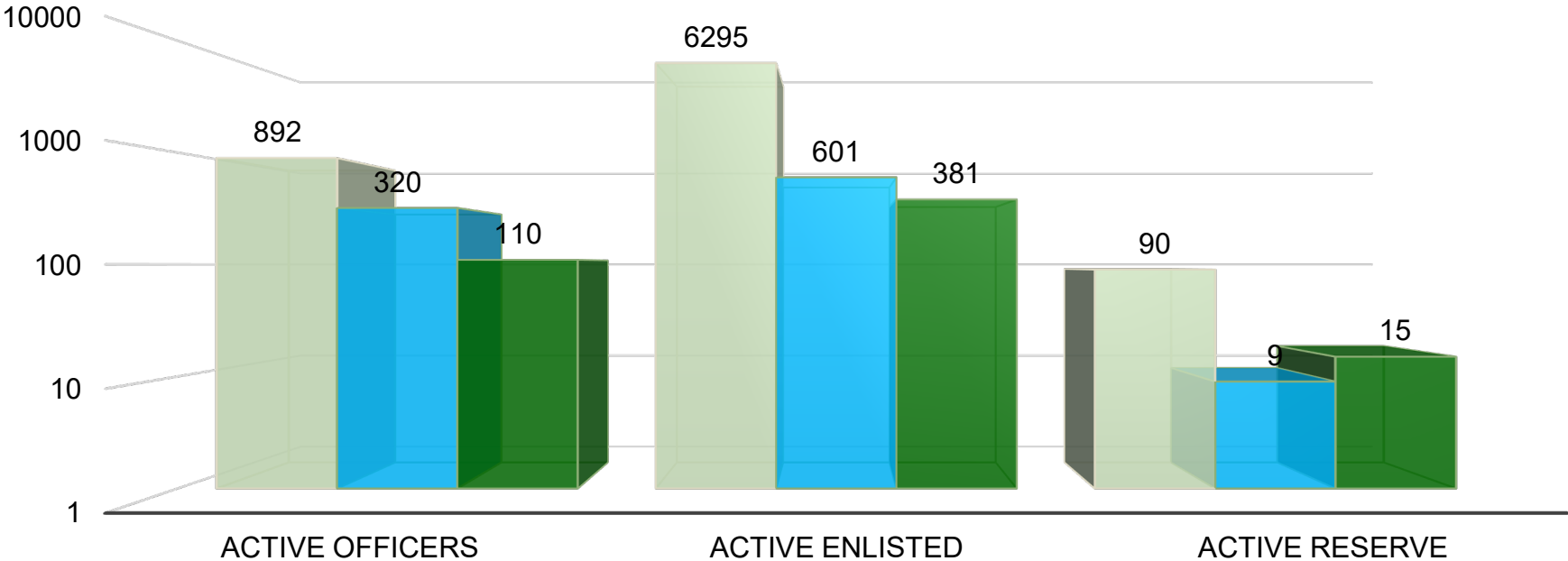
## CMC Guidance

- Dual service couples will not be separated without the approval of Deputy Commandant of Manpower and Reserve Affairs or the Director of Manpower Management/ Director of Reserve Affairs.
- This will not apply in every case...but these cases should be the rare exception.

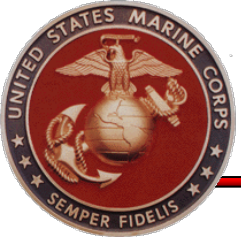


# DUAL MILITARY ASSIGNMENT PROCESS:

**Distribution of Dual-Service Marines' Spouse by Service Branch and Active Status**



	Active Officers	Active Enlisted	Active Reserve
■ Marine to Marine	892	6295	90
■ Marine to Navy	320	601	9
■ Marine to Other Service	110	381	15



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*Marine Reservists and recruiters live in a variety of cities across the United States.*



# DUAL MILITARY ASSIGNMENT PROCESS:

## Dual Military Coordinator

- Facilitates communications between monitors and other Service's detailers to align a dual service couple's orders to the same geo-location at the same time and identifies any issues.
- Serves as a resource for dual military families.
- Seeks continual improvement to marriage reporting, requesting co-location after marriage, and waiver requests to increase transparency and improve processing time.
- The DMC role is still being established and incorporated within various branch operating procedures.
  - Assisted with 80 cases since April 2024 with 34 of those cases requiring elevation to senior leaders to waive requirements in order to collocate dual military couples.





# DUAL MILITARY ASSIGNMENT PROCESS:

## Way Ahead

- Automated Process: We plan to integrate an automated system to review dual military orders before release, ensuring alignment between spouse's orders and addressing any potential issues.
- Policy Changes: We aim to streamline the waiver process, making it easier to co-locate Marines.
- Education: We intend to publish a MARADMIN and update our MCO 1300.8 Marine Corps Personnel Assignment Policy to inform Marines on any dual military assignment process improvements.

