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It can be stated nor someone can say directly that should there be gender restrictions within the military of the United States or not? Beyond the historical increase in the role of women in the US military including operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, different gender-based policies continue to impact the positions they could or can fill. The body called National Defense Authorization Act mandated a review of laws, policies, and associated regulations which may impact and restrict the services of the military women to decide or determine that whether any changes are required for the purpose to make sure the fine and fully equitable opportunity to compete and excel in the military and armed forces of the states (Laura, 2012). In response, the Department of Defence of the United States developed the women in the services review.

Women have been part of the US military and a huge number of its campaigns since the American Revolution. With the introduction of the Women’s Army Corps by the state in 1943, women could be officially recruited for military services. In the last few decades, the role of women and men in the US military is coming with changes while some of these changes are fine and good while others might not. For example, women in the US military have done something credible, performed amazingly, and achieved something crucial while performing her job and duty with her best capabilities, they should not be stopped from going or promoting to higher positions in the US military based on their gender. They should not be stopped because the women (example above) are capable enough and her shown performance clarifies it that she can perform her job and tasks while she should not be stereotyped (Carreiras, 2016).

The war of terror and the US military accompanied in the new era of warfighting which showed that there are no sex and gender differences because both men and women in the US military shown almost the extreme brilliance because they all know that they should be fully prepared for the fight.

But there are also some facts on the other side as well as because no one can deny every coin has two sides. These reasons are but not specifically, 1) job equality and nature of the job, 2) gender discrimination, and 3) safety and sexual harassment and future planning (Laura, 2012). For the purpose to support the idea and reasons listed, a number of researchers analyzed through the use of service data to define and quantify the occupations in the military that are closed to women as well as the occupations which are open to the women in the US military but have some restrictions and that is why they are closed to a gender called women.

Despite the above, the gender restrictions in the military in the United States are also much varying because of several reasons. The restrictions are varying because of career implications and other career assignment policies and practices. It can also be stated that a number of positions that are closed to women or the positions from which women are restricted as well as there are some positions (very rare) from which men are also restricted (Carreiras, 2016). These restrictions can be mostly seen in the US military as well as in other Marine Corps units and occupations that have some special and primary missions of engaging in direct ground combat or working on other special tasks.

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