

The U.S. Military Uses Laser Vision Correction For Mission-Ready Personnel

(NAPSA)—Did you know the U.S. military relies on LASIK and other laser vision correction procedures to make sure service members have the vision needed for operational success and safety? Good vision can be a matter of life and death in combat situations or landing a fighter jet on an aircraft carrier.

Military duty can involve harsh environments, with sand, dust, smoke and debris flying around making corrective lenses, both glasses and contacts, useless and even dangerous.



For the eagle-eye vision needed for jet fighter pilots, the U.S. military trusts laser vision correction.

The U.S. Department of Defense conducted its own research into laser vision correction procedures, like LASIK, to support their personnel in achieving the excellent vision needed to perform their duties no matter where they might serve.

One study measured the military readiness of 360 active duty service members before and after laser vision correction surgery. The research found that after laser vision correction:

- 57 percent improved their performance scores on “overall individual readiness”
- 86 percent improved their scores on “ability to utilize night vision goggles”
- 41 percent reported improved ability to contribute to the unit’s mission
- More than 98 percent of study participants reported they would have the surgery again.

Like military personnel, many emergency responders such as police officers and firefighters are turning to laser vision correction to perform their jobs more safely and effectively. If you’re thinking about laser vision correction, visit www.eye-you.org.