

BY-LAWS
DETACHMENT OF COLORADO
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

ARTICLE I
DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1: DETACHMENT COMMANDER - The Detachment Commander shall be the chief executive officer of the Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Colorado with full power to enforce the provisions of the Detachment Constitution, Detachment By-Laws and the mandates of the Detachment Convention. He shall appoint all necessary committees, subject to the ratification of the Detachment Executive Committee and Department Executive Committee, and shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

SECTION 2: Detachment Vice Commanders - The Detachment Vice Commanders shall act as representatives of the Detachment Commander on all matters referred to them by him and shall, on his request, preside over the meetings of the Detachment Convention/Mid-Year Conference or Detachment Executive Committee and perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. Vice Commanders will also be in charge of membership.

SECTION 3: DETACHMENT ADJUTANT - The Detachment Adjutant is the chief administrative officer and shall give notice of all Detachment Conventions/Conferences and of all meetings of the Detachment Executive Committee. He shall conduct the correspondence and keep the records of the Detachment organization, including lists of names, membership ID numbers and addresses of all Squadrons in the Detachment of Colorado and lists of members, officers and committeemen of the Detachment. He shall also be authorized, in the event of the death or resignation of the Detachment Commander, to summon the Detachment Executive Committee for the election of a successor.

SECTION 4: FINANCE OFFICER - The Finance Officer is the chief financial officer and is in charge of all Detachment funds, all deposits and records. He will report all financial records to Detachment Conventions, Mid-Year Conferences, and Detachment Executive Committee meetings.

SECTION 5: DETACHMENT CHAPLAIN - The Detachment Chaplain shall perform such Divine and non-sectarian services as may be necessary, adhering to such ceremonial rituals as may be recommended by National and Detachment Headquarters from time to time.

SECTION 6: DETACHMENT HISTORIAN - The Detachment Historian shall collect, from year to year, all records and data of value and interest for the Detachment of the Sons of The

American Legion and shall compile, during his term of office, a complete history of the year's activities.

SECTION 7: DETACHMENT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS - The Detachment Sergeant-at Arms shall be charged with the responsibility of preserving order at all meetings and shall be given the custody and responsibility of the Detachment colors. He shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

ARTICLE II DETACHMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1: Subject to the provisions of the Detachment Constitution, the Detachment Executive Committee shall fill any vacancy in the membership of the Committee for the remainder of the unexpired term.

SECTION 2: The Detachment Executive Committee shall meet at regular periods to include at least a fall and spring meeting and a pre and post-Convention and Conference meeting or on at least ten (10) days written notice (verified by post mark) by the Commander and Adjutant, or upon written or vocal request of at least three voting members of the Detachment Executive Committee independently or as a result of an informal meeting of at least three voting members of the Committee.

SECTION 3: The Detachment Executive Committee Pre-Convention Meeting can occur anytime, but no more than, fifteen (15) days prior to the opening of the Detachment Convention. The Detachment Executive Committee Post-Convention Meeting can occur anytime, but no later than, forty-five (45) days following the adjournment of the Detachment Convention.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: Membership in the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Colorado shall be acquired only by affiliation with a Squadron within its jurisdiction.

SECTION 2: The membership of the Detachment shall be organized into Squadrons as prescribed in the Detachment Constitution.

SECTION 3: Only persons eligible to membership in the Sons of The American Legion shall be members of this Detachment or of any Squadron within its jurisdiction.

SECTION 4: Each application for membership must enroll in the Sons of The American Legion and pay his dues to the Squadron in this Detachment to which he applies before becoming a member in the Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Colorado or in any Squadron of this Detachment.

ARTICLE IV SQUADRONS

SECTION 1: Each Squadron shall be the judge of its own membership, subject to the restrictions of the National and Colorado Detachment Constitutions and By-Laws, respectively, and may restrict its membership as it desires, subject to the approval of the Detachment Executive Committee, except that no person who is a member of an organization which has for its aim the overthrow of the United States Government by force or violence or who subscribes to the principles of any group opposed to our form of government shall be eligible to become a member of the Sons of The American Legion.

SECTION 2: Each Squadron shall have a headquarters with a Post Office address to which all notices and documents may be sent. It shall be the duty of the Squadron at time of application for a charter or at any time of changing its headquarters to notify the Detachment organization of such address and all notices and documents shall be held to have been duly sent to or served upon such Squadron when mailed to it at the address so furnished. In default of a Squadron having furnished such address, any notice or document shall be held to have been duly served upon a Squadron if the same is mailed to it at the address of its Commander or Adjutant or other member signing the application for charter.

SECTION 3: Each Squadron shall have a Constitution and By-Laws to govern its affairs and shall have officers known as Commander, Vice Commander, Adjutant, Finance Officer, and an Executive Committeeman. Each year Squadron shall provide notice to the Detachment organization the names and complete contact information for these officers immediately following their annual election or appointment of said officers. The Squadron shall subscribe to the Constitution and By-Laws and regulations of the Detachment organization. A Squadron shall not incur any obligation in the name of any other Squadron, subdivision, organization, branch, committee, group of members of the Sons of The American Legion, or the Post of The American Legion to which said Squadron is attached.

SECTION 4: Squadrons shall submit copies of their Constitution and By-Laws and all amendments thereto for approval to the Detachment organization.