

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF



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IV. NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Members of Committee and Appointment Procedure:

The National Security Committee shall have fourteen (14) members, one (1) Chairperson representing his/her respective district and thirteen (13) Region Chairpersons from remaining individual districts. Committee members shall serve a term of one (1) year and are appointed by the Department Commander. Committee members may be annually reappointed at the discretion of the Department Commander

Ex-Officio Members:

The Department Adjutant shall serve as an ex-officio member of the National Security Committee. A member of the Department serving currently on the National Security Commission or a National Committee under the direction of the National Security Commission shall be named as an ex officio member.

Liaison to Committee:

The Department Adjutant shall assign a member of the Department Staff to serve as liaison and advisor to the Department National Security Committee.

Rules of Committee:

The rules of the Committee will be reviewed by the National Security Committee and submitted to the Department Executive Committee for approval at the August DEC Meeting.

Responsibility:

1. To recommend policies that will ensure the security of the United States of America and the State of Ohio.
2. To understand the state budget process and the budget of the Ohio National Guard and State Law Enforcement.
3. To maintain a professional working relationship with all legislative oversight committees and staff relating to the purposes of the Committee.
4. To monitor the hearings of these oversight committees and provide legislative testimony in cooperation with the Legislative Committee and staff.

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Responsibility:

5. To be knowledgeable about security threats to the United States of America particularly within the State of Ohio.
6. The National Security Committee shall supervise and coordinate the Department's activities in support of the policy of the National Organization in National Security and Foreign Relations.
7. The Committee shall monitor the budgets, manpower requirements and equipment need of the National Guard to ensure that those units can meet the requirements of both Federal and State deployments and that the Active Duty and Reserve Forces based in Ohio are sufficiently manned, equipped and resourced to fulfill their federal duties when deployed.
8. The National Security Committee shall supervise and coordinate the Department's activities in support of the Department POW/MIA Program.

Duties of the Chair:

1. The Chairperson **shall** provide a report of the Committee's activities to the Department Executive Committee scheduled on August 1st, 2020, December 5th, 2020, and March 27th, 2021.
2. The Chairperson **may** be called upon to provide a report of the Committee's activities at the Pre-Convention DEC meeting or to the Department Convention at the request of the Department Commander.
3. The Chairman shall annually submit a proposed Committee budget to the Finance Commission prior to June 1st of the following calendar year.

Authorized Meetings:

1. **Standing Committee Meetings (JUL):** Standing Committee Meetings are typically held in July following the Department Convention. All members of the Committee are authorized to attend.
 2. **Fall Committee Meeting:** All members of the Committee are authorized to attend.
 - a. **Date Set: Saturday, October 3rd, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.**
 3. **Spring Committee Meeting:** The Committee shall convene in the spring to review progress for the year and propose or review resolutions for Department Convention. All members are authorized to attend.
 - a. **Date Set: Saturday, February 20th, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.**
 4. In the event of an additional Committee meeting is required, the Committee is authorized to use the Department Conference Call service to conduct business.
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1. **Vouchers:** All expense vouchers must be submitted to the Department liaison within seven days incurred.
 2. **Mileage:** The reimbursement for the cost of distance by a private automobile shall be at the rate of thirty-five (35) cents per mile, roundtrip.
 3. **Meals:** Meals reimbursements require receipts attached to voucher. Reimbursement is limited to \$20 per day.