



59th Annual Detachment Convention Rules of Behavior

Welcome to the 59th Annual Sons of The American Legion Detachment Convention. In order to make your stay as convenient as possible we have outlined below the rules concerning the behavior of those members under your care as well as yourself, the Rules and Order of Business governing the Convention, and the Rules of the Election.

Our 2023 Detachment Convention will witness our 31st annual hotel convention. Therefore, in the best interests of the Sons of The American Legion we have listed below some guidelines and rules of behavior. We want you to impress upon your members that they should:

1. Treat the hotel's property like their own. Anyone damaging or destroying hotel property will be held financially responsible. Towels, ashtrays, etc. are not provided by the hotel as souvenirs. Please leave them in the room when you check out.
2. Hotel policies regarding the pool, game room, and playground are well marked. Please be sure that none of your members violate these policies as well as any other rules posted by the hotel. In addition, these facilities are for registered hotel guests only and neither the hotel nor the Ohio American Legion will accept responsibility for the personal safety/well-being of the registered guests attending the Convention. **For example: Swimming is at your own risk.**
3. All Squadrons should have their junior members' emergency medical cards with them if a parent or guardian is not present.
4. **All reserved rooms will be held for guaranteed payment unless the reservation is cancelled. The deadline to cancel a room is two (2) weeks prior to the day of your scheduled arrival. If cancelling, please be sure to get the name of the individual to whom you spoke and a cancellation number. A cancellation number will be required in order to receive a refund of your advance hotel payment.**
5. Should an individual check out and not pay their incidental charges (i.e., telephone, room service, etc.), their Squadron will be held liable.



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6. **We do not condone the use of alcohol at any SAL function.** We do nevertheless realize that the majority of those attending the Convention are of the legal drinking age and trying to totally eliminate its use would be impossible. Therefore, the following rules will apply and will be strictly enforced.
 - a. No one is to indiscriminately invite for the purposes of campaigning, alignment of voting blocks, or anything else resembling Sons of The American Legion business while alcohol is being served.
 - b. Unaccompanied minors are not to be in any rooms where alcohol is being served.
 - c. Anyone providing or facilitating the access of alcohol to a minor is in violation of state law. We will see that anyone doing so is prosecuted as well as seeking the forfeiture of their membership in our organization for conduct unbecoming a member.
 - d. The parents of any inebriated minors or those caught consuming alcohol will be called and advised to remove their child from the Convention site.

Discipline

Inebriated individuals, or anyone causing a disturbance (whether inebriated or not), or anyone using profane language in a vociferous manner will be dealt with accordingly. Disciplinary action will be taken if a situation cannot be resolved and will range from being barred from any remaining convention sessions and activities to bringing formal charges with the possibility of expulsion from our organization.

All rules violations which cannot be resolved between the Department Liaison and affected parties will be handled by a special meeting of the Department SAL Advisory Committeemen in attendance at the Convention.

If Visiting Any of the 11th District's American Legion Posts...

Post Home rules governing behavior, the sale/consumption of beverages and the admittance of minors to the Post clubroom will be in effect. Remember, as Advisors you are serving as the example for those people accompanying you. If you have any questions please feel free to ask any Detachment Officer or Department SAL Advisory Committee member. We want your stay to be safe and enjoyable. Please be careful and use your common sense. **HAVE A GREAT CONVENTION!**



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