



**MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

**REQUIREMENTS TO JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION**

***IMPORTANT: EVERYONE MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF DD 214 OR DISCHARGE.***

**NEW MEMBERSHIP**

*Eligible veterans applying for first time membership must submit the following information to Post Membership Committee:*

**1. Complete American Legion Membership application by clicking on REGULAR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION under BECOME MEMBER tab at: [legionpost49.org](http://legionpost49.org)**

*Print two (2) completed copies. Keep one copy for your records. Mail the other copy to address:*

American Legion Post 49  
129 Michigan Ave.  
South Haven, Michigan 49090  
Attention: Post Adjutant

*together with your dues payment. (Dues amount on application). Applications are also available at the Post.)*

**2. COPY OF DD214 OR DISCHARGE**

*You can get a copy of your record at:*

**<http://vetrecs.archives.gov>**

**or**

**<http://www.nara.gov/regional/stlouis.html>**

**3. Membership Dues Payment. Dues. (Amount Shown on Application). Make checks payable to our Post listed above. **DO NOT SEND CASH.****

**4. If the information is correct, membership will be approved and then a membership card will be mailed to you.**

**5. Please see eligibility dates below.**

**ELIGIBILITY DATES**



**MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY** in the American Legion is based on honorable service with the U. S. Armed Forces between:

(April 6, 1917 -November 11, 1918) World War I  
(December 7, 1941 - December 31, 1946) World War II  
(June 25, 1950 - January 31, 1955) Korean War  
(February 28, 1961 - May 7, 1975) Vietnam War  
(August 24, 1982 - July 31,1984) Lebanon/Grenada  
(December 20, 1989 - January 31, 1990) Operation Just Cause  
(August 2, 1990 - Today)\* Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm

*Because eligibility dates remain open, all members of the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible to join The American Legion at this time, until the date of the end of hostilities as determined by the government of the United States.*

*Must have served at least one day of active military duty during one of the dates below and honorably discharged or still serving honorably. :*

*For any questions or comments please contact Jim Montgomery 269-637-3512 , [pabst04@comcast.net](mailto:pabst04@comcast.net). Or stop by the post.*

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