



Joe Foss American Legion Post 97
San Tan Valley, Arizona

American Legion Post 97 – Corsairs
Club Constitution and Bylaws



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Junior Shooting Sports Constitution Joe Foss American Legion Post 97 – Corsairs

Article 1- Name. The name of this organization shall be American Legion Post 97 – Corsairs and may be shortened to “Corsairs” for nonofficial business.

Article 2-Organization. This organization is a nonprofit program of Joe Foss American Legion Post 97.

- a. This club is absolutely non-political and non-sectarian.
- b. This club will adhere to the principles endorsed by the American Legion.

Article 3-Purpose. The purpose of this organization shall be to improve the knowledge and skill of its members in matters relating to the proper care and handling of firearms; the management of target shooting ranges and competitions; the concepts of hunting and conservation; and to develop among its members those qualities of leadership, loyalty, cooperation, and good sportsmanship which are essential to good citizenship.

Article 4-Membership. Membership shall be open to any boy or girl between the ages of 10 and 18, or 20 years of age if still in high school, if approved by a parent or guardian, and if approved by the club executive board.

Article 5-Officers. Officers of the club shall be the Director, Assistant Director, Treasurer, and Secretary. Officers of the club will be appointed by the Executive Committee of Joe Foss American Legion Post 97 and will hold their office for three years. Officers, Coaches and RSO's may be removed from their positions by the Director or the Post Executive Committee for failure to perform their assigned duties.

The officers of the club shall constitute the clubs Executive Committee and are entitled to one vote each. All action taken by the Executive Committee shall become effective upon approval of the Club Director. Officers may be replaced if they fail to execute their duties and follow the guidelines of the American Legion.

[Article 6-Affiliations.](#) The Corsairs must remain affiliated with the American Legion, and the CMP. Affiliation with the NRA is encouraged but will be optional.

[Article 7-Attendance.](#) Members of the club are expected to attend the club sponsored functions including but not limited to competitions, fundraisers, practices, and post events that pertain to the JSSP program.

[Article 8-Conduct.](#) Any member whose conduct shall be decided by a majority vote of the executive committee to have been injurious to the interest or welfare of the club may be suspended or expelled from the organization. Such vote shall not be taken without giving the offender two weeks notice of the charges against him/her and affording an opportunity of being heard in his/her defense. He/she may appeal the decision of the executive committee to the executive committee of Joe Foss American Legion Post 97.

[Article 9-Teams.](#) Teams will consist of five shooters each. Each team must have a minimum of two adult NRA level I Coaches and one NRA Range Safety Officer over the age of 21. All coaches and RSO's shall also maintain the JROTC Marksmanship Instructor Course Certification.

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[Article 10- Competitions.](#) All shooting competitions and record shooting held by the club will be governed by either the current

National Standard Three Position Air Rifle Rules or of the National Rifle Association.

[Article 11- Amendments.](#) Amendments to these bylaws may be presented to the club Executive Committee at any time. A 60% approval is needed for passage and the amendment may not violate any safety protocols or CMP, NRA, USA or JROTC rules.

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The bylaws of Joe Foss American Legion Post 97 - Corsairs will be deferred to a document entitled "Standard Operating Procedures". Standard Operating Procedures may be modified by the Club Director at any time with the approval of the Joe Foss American Legion Post 97 Executive Committee.

[Article 1-Membership.](#) Membership fee of the Joe Foss American Legion Post 97 - Corsairs will be \$20 per year.

[Article 2-Volunteers.](#) All adult volunteers will be required to pass a yearly background check.

[Article 3-Requirements.](#) All members and coaches must fill out all required forms which include the Membership Application, The Medical History Questionnaire, the Liability and Medical Release form and any other forms that might be required by the Post, Department or the national organization. All forms will be held in a secure area and are considered confidential and will only be released as required by law.

Article 4- Basic Marksmanship Course. All members must take the Basic Marksmanship Course (BMC) given by the Post. Members must pass the final exam with a score of 100%.

Article 5-Duties. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:

Program Director:

- a. To preside at all meetings of the club, enforce the bylaws, and exercise supervision over the affairs of the club including the entering of any shooting events.
- b. To appoint any required committees.
- c. To serve as an ex-officio member of all committees.
- d. To serve as a delegate of the club at official American Legion proceedings.
- e. To maintain a confidential file of all the members information.
- f. To maintain a file of the Coaches and RSO's qualifications and to ensure all qualifications are current.

Deputy Director:

- a. To assist the director
- b. To perform the duties of Director in the absence of the Director.

Treasurer:

- a. To help prepare a budget for the club on an annual basis.
- b. To receive, hold and pay out all monies of the club as required.
- c. Any expenditure not included in the budget must be approved by the program Director.
- d. To keep an accurate record of the receipt, expenditures, and reconciliation of all club funds.
- e. To present a financial statement when required.

Secretary:

- a. To keep a full and correct record of all proceedings of the club.
- b. To keep the role and read the minutes at each meeting.
- c. May act as a publicity agent and to issue press releases as required.

Article 5-Coaches and RSO's:

- A. **Coaches** must maintain a current NRA Level I Rifle Coach Certification and the JROTC Marksmanship Instructor Course Certification. Coaches should concentrate on achieving goals and developing necessary skills that get results. Coaches should develop team members performance, offering feedback and demonstrating the desired skills expected were the ethic.
- B. **Range Safety Officers (RSO's)** must maintain a current NRA Range Safety Officer Certification. They are in charge of all aspects of safety during live firing exercises at the range. They will conduct a range safety inspection before each live firing exercises. They will fill out the range safety inspection form and file it with the Program Director.

Article 6-Funds. Money earned through fundraising activities or from donations must be spent for the advancement of the program. This would include, but not limited to, buying pellets, targets, paying match entry fees, refilling CO2 cylinders, paying certification fees, and rebuilding the air rifles.

Article 8-Equipment. Initially, equipment will be borrowed from the Department of Arizona Junior Shooters. This equipment must be maintained according to regular maintenance procedures. All equipment belonging to the club will be stored in a secure manner. The

club has two years to obtain funding to purchase its own set of equipment.

[Article 9-SOP](#). The Standard Operating Procedures may be changed or modified by the clubs executive committee and must be approved by the Program Director and post 97 Executive Board.

[Article 10-Not Covered](#). Any situation not covered by this Constitution and SOP will be governed by Robert's rules of order.

Approved:

4/12/2021

Date

signature on file

Robert Krumwiede
Program Director

signature on file

John Meyer Sr.
Post 97 Commander