

ONTARIO COMMAND GENERAL BY-LAW AMENDMENTS 2023

THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS WERE PRESENTED AND PASSED BY THE DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE AT THE ONTARIO PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN AURORA, ONTARIO ON NOV 18TH, 2023.

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<p><u>ARTICLE 505</u></p> <p>Any expenditure in excess of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) approved by the Convention floor shall be referred to the incoming Finance Committee and the Administrative Committee for their consideration, prior to any such expenditure being made by the Command.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 505. (1)</u></p> <p>Any expenditure in excess of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) approved by the Convention floor shall be referred to the incoming Finance Committee and the Administrative Committee for their consideration, prior to any such expenditure being made by the Command.</p> <p><u>ARTICLE 505. (2)</u></p> <p>Likewise, should any expenditure in excess of \$20,000.00 arise between Conventions, it shall require approval of the Provincial Executive Committee, following a review and recommendation from both the Provincial Finance and Provincial Administrative Committees, prior to any such expenditure being made by Command.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 606</u></p> <p>Members of the Council, employees of the Command and other persons when duly authorized, shall be entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred when attending Conventions, Meetings of the Council or when otherwise engaged upon the business of the Legion within their jurisdiction and as may be approved by the Administrative Committee</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 606. (1)</u></p> <p>Members of the Council, employees of the Command and other persons when duly authorized, shall be entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred when attending Conventions, Meetings of the Council or when otherwise engaged upon the business of the Legion within their jurisdiction and as may be approved by the Administrative Committee</p> <p><u>ARTICLE 606. (2)</u></p> <p>Reference to a Command expense within these By-Laws may be found in the provisions of the current Ontario Provincial Command Expense Account Policy which shall identify the eligible Offices, their duties, and events in which they are entitled to reimbursement of expenses.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 704. (5)</u></p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 704. (5)</u></p> <p>No member shall hold more than one (1) elected Office at the District level. Further, if a Secretary, Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer is appointed, a senior elected Officer (District Commander or Deputy District Commander shall not hold that Office).</p>

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<p><u>ARTICLE 804. (5)</u></p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 804. (5)</u></p> <p>No member shall hold more than one (1) elected Office at the Zone level. Further, if a Secretary, Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer is appointed, a senior elected Officer (Zone Commander or Deputy Zone Commander shall not hold that Office).</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 918. (9)</u></p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 918. (9)</u></p> <p>Meeting notification does not replace the requirement to provide Notice of Motion for any item that requires a significant financial decision or is a major decision of the Branch. Meeting notification may however include a Notice of Motion. A Notice of Motion is presented and tabled at one General, Special General or Annual General meeting of the Branch. The motion is then made at the next General, Special General or Annual General meeting of the Branch at which time it shall be discussed and voted on.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 922</u></p> <p>1) All accounts payable shall be designated by the Branch Executive Committee for payment via cheque, electronic funds transfer, or a petty cash fund.</p> <p>(2) The use of cheques and electronic funds transfers shall only be initiated and completed by those persons holding an Office or Position that has been designated and authorized for this purpose in the appropriate Branch Regulations.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 922</u></p> <p>1) All accounts payable shall be designated by the Branch Executive Committee for payment via cheque, electronic funds transfer, credit card, debit card or a petty cash fund. When credit or debit cards are to be used, a signed requisition form with two authorized signatures will be required.</p> <p>(2) Payments shall only be initiated and completed by those persons holding an Office or Position that has been designated and authorized for this purpose in the appropriate Branch Regulations.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 1007. (2) (b)</u></p> <p>Lottery Licensees have the option of opening a trust account for each type of lottery event or consolidating trust accounts as follows:</p> <p>i. An account for proceeds derived from all lottery events other than break open tickets; and</p> <p>ii. An account for proceeds derived from break open ticket lottery events.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1007. (2) (b)</u></p> <p>Lottery Licensees have the option of opening a trust account for each type of lottery event or consolidating trust accounts.</p>

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<p><u>ARTICLE 1206</u></p> <p>A Ladies' Auxiliary to a Branch shall not make any donations or grants to any other organization or institution without the prior approval of a General Meeting of the Branch.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1206</u></p> <p>A Ladies' Auxiliary to a Branch may make donations or grants to other organizations or institutions annually up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for each occasion without prior approval of a General meeting of the Branch. Any amount in excess of this must receive prior approval of a General meeting of the Branch.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 1207</u></p> <p>A Branch may, by an approved Branch Regulation, limit the total amount of funds that its Ladies Auxiliary may retain at the end of each fiscal year.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1207</u></p> <p>(1) A Branch may, by an approved Branch Regulation, limit the total amount of funds that its Ladies Auxiliary may retain at the end of each fiscal year. (2) A Branch may make funds available to its Ladies' Auxiliary upon receipt of a written request outlining the purpose for which such funds are required.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 1208</u></p> <p>A Branch may make funds available to its Ladies' Auxiliary upon receipt of a written request outlining the purpose for which such funds are required.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1208</u></p> <p>Upon surrender of a Ladies' Auxiliary Charter, the assets of the Auxiliary shall be used to discharge any debts and liabilities of such Auxiliary. Any surplus thereof shall be vested equally between the Branch and the Ladies' Auxiliary Provincial Command.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 1209</u></p> <p>All expenditures other than normal operating expenditures, in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or the same amount as allowed to the Branch Executive Committee, made by a Ladies' Auxiliary, must be approved by the Branch at a General, Special General or Annual General Meeting prior to such expenditure being made; but notwithstanding the foregoing, the Ladies' Auxiliary shall make contributions to the Legion and the Ladies' Auxiliary Bursary Program.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1209</u></p> <p>All expenditures other than normal operating expenditures, in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) or the same amount as allowed by Branch Regulations to the Branch Executive Committee, made by a Ladies' Auxiliary, must be approved by the Branch at a General, Special General or Annual General Meeting prior to such expenditure being made; but notwithstanding the foregoing, the Ladies' Auxiliary shall make contributions to The Royal Canadian Legion and Ladies' Auxiliary Bursary Program.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE 1210</u></p> <p>All real and personal property acquired by a Ladies' Auxiliary to a Branch, including all monies raised, shall be the property of the Branch to which it is an Auxiliary.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1210</u></p> <p>All real and personal property acquired by a Ladies' Auxiliary to a Branch, including all monies raised, shall be the property of the Branch to which it is an Auxiliary. This section is to be read</p>

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	in conjunction with S. 1208, which applies upon the surrender of a Ladies' Auxiliary Charter.
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<p><u>ARTICLE 1211</u></p> <p>When a Branch surrenders its charter, or such charter is suspended, cancelled, or revoked, the charter of its Ladies' Auxiliary shall be simultaneously surrendered or suspended, cancelled, or revoked.</p>	<p><u>ARTICLE 1211</u></p> <p>(1) When a Branch surrenders its charter, or such charter is suspended, cancelled, or revoked, the charter of its Ladies' Auxiliary shall be simultaneously surrendered or suspended, cancelled, or revoked.</p> <p>(2) When a Ladies' Auxiliary charter is being surrendered, it shall be the responsibility of the Ladies' Auxiliary to a Branch to ensure that the Ladies' Auxiliary Branch Charter is forwarded to Ontario Provincial Command Headquarters. Relevant documentation is to be included such as Minutes of Meetings of the Auxiliary clearly showing approval, minutes of the Branch, as well as Ladies' Auxiliary Ontario Provincial Command approval of the disposition of any real property of the Ladies' Auxiliary.</p>
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