

**MEMBERSHIP EXPIRED**

**DELINQUENT**

## THE STANDING RULES OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

### XIII. DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

3. Dues shall be payable annually for the succeeding calendar year or may be paid for life via a Paid Up for Life (PUFL) membership.
4. A member failing to pay such annual dues by January thirty-first of the **current membership year** shall be delinquent and suspended from membership privileges.

***Example***

***(If the member has not paid their dues for 2022 by January 31, 2022, are considered delinquent and suspended from membership privileges.)***

A member deemed delinquent for failing to pay dues by December 31 of the current membership year shall be classified as expired. Such expired member may rejoin as an active member under the member's original join date without interruption of continuous years of membership, and membership privileges reinstated, by payment of all past dues.

A member deemed expired for failing to pay dues by December 31 of the current membership year may rejoin, with a new join date, at any time in the future by re-establishing eligibility and making application as a new member. Member applications and member reinstatements may also require Unit action if a Units governing documents so state.

***Example***

***(If the member has not paid their dues for 2021 by December 31, 2021, shall be classified as expired. The member should have no membership privileges, such as voting at unit meetings a delegate for Department Convention and privileges as a DEC member.)***

My opinion when a member is a delegate for Departments conventions it is a good practice for the Department headquarters to check to make sure all delegates are in good standing, same for your DEC members before they receive their call-in for DEC.

A Unit President shouldn't even preside at a unit meeting if her dues are delinquent.

It's very important to relay to members about the difference between delinquent and expired.