

American Legion Post 86 Code of Conduct

The American Legion (AL) Post 86 Code of Conduct describes the principles of good behavior expected of all members. Membership is defined as Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, Legion Riders, Auxiliary Members, and approved guests. Acceptance into the Post and inclusion in American Legion activities is a privilege, not a right.

Every member is expected to understand and abide by the Code of Conduct. You are to exemplify the code's spirit and principles and to foster and sustain a spirit of goodwill within the American Legion family.

By renewing membership, members agree to abide by the principles of good behavior described therein and understand that violation of any part of the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension or revocation of membership.

Guiding Principles underlying the Code of Conduct include: Honesty, Integrity, Dignity, Respect, and Responsibility.

- Members will abide by all governing documents of the American Legion and Post 86.
- Members will demonstrate high regard for the American Legion mission, rendering quality service to veterans, our military, their families, the community, and The Legion Family at all levels.
- Members agree to adhere to the highest ethical standards to earn and protect the public's trust in carrying out the American Legion mission.
- Members will conduct themselves with dignity, display good manners, and good morals at all times and understand their behavior, inside or outside of the Post, reflects upon the Legion Family at all levels.
- Members will be kind, considerate, and welcoming to all. Racism, sexism, ageism, and religious discrimination will not be tolerated.
- Members will respect the dignity of all persons. Bullying, physical, mental, or psychological abuse of any person will not be tolerated.
- Members will be honest, helpful, and not undermine others.
- Members will not deliberately make known false, malicious, or unfounded statements and accusations against the American Legion Post 86, its members and volunteers which, if disseminated, could reasonably undermine and impugn the reputation of the Post as well as the reputation and character of its members, volunteers and staff.
- Members will be a good citizen and a good neighbor by obeying local, state, and federal laws and regulations.
- Members agree to be good stewards of Post resources.
- Members will respect the property of the Post and The Legion Family, to including the property of volunteers, and will not abuse nor tolerate the abuse of property.
- Members will not abuse or tolerate the abuse of alcohol [Drink responsibly and watch over your comrades].
- Members will not use illegal drugs or tolerate the use of illegal drugs on Post property.
- Members will honor and fulfil commitments and financial obligations to the Post in a timely manner.
- Members will challenge each other to abide by this Code and appropriately address those who violate the Post Code of Conduct.