

Article IX

Local chapters

- Section 1 Each local Chapter shall be the judge of its own membership, subject to the restrictions of the National and Department Oklahoma Constitution and By-Laws respectively, and may restrict its membership as it desires, subject to approval of the local Post, except that no person who is a member of an organization has for its aim to overthrow the United States Government by force or violence, or who subscribes to the principles of any group opposed to our form of government, shall be eligible to become a member of the American Legion Riders.
- Section 2 Each local Chapter shall have a headquarters and meeting at its sponsoring Post with a Post Office address to which all notices and documents may be sent.
- Section 3 Each local Chapter shall have a Constitution and By-Laws to govern and shall have officers known as Program Director, Program Vice-Director, a Program Adjutant, a Program Treasurer, a Program Sergeant-at-Arms, a Program Rider Captain, a Program Chaplain, Program Historian and two (2) Program Executive Committeeman and other positions as designated by the Program Director. The Treasurer shall be bonded. The local Chapter shall subscribe to the Post and Department Constitution and By-Laws and shall not incur any obligation in the name of any other Post, subdivision, organization, branch committee, or group of members of The American Legion. (Note: Small Chapters, start with the highest Office and add additional office(s) as your membership increases).
- Section 4 Local Chapters shall submit copies of the Constitution and By-Laws and Amendments thereto through the respective Post, The American Legion Riders Program Department Executive Committee, and American Legion Department Adjutant and American Legion Department Judge Advocate. Also, provide documents from sponsoring Post meeting minutes that reflects a motion, second and a vote that passes to start an Oklahoma American Legion Riders Program.
- Section 5 All monies received in any manner for welfare purposes of any nature by a local Chapters shall be deposited in a duly authorized banking institution and none of such monies shall be withdrawn except for welfare purposes and upon a draft signed by the Treasurer of the local Chapter and local Program Vice-Director.
- Section 6 No Chapter shall solicit another Chapters or Post for purposes of financial aid or relief. Violation of this section shall be grounds for revocation or suspension of the American Legion Riders Program for that Chapter.

Section 7 All local Chapters shall install their officers for the current year of The American Legion Riders Program after the Department Convention is convene.

Section 8 A minimum of officers shall be the Program Director, Program Vice-Director, Adjutant, Treasure, and the Sargent-at Arms. As Chapter grows, Officers in Section 3 should be added accordingly.