



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

JVC/QM Conference

BYLAW CHANGES OVERVIEW

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Section 101 Bylaw Citizenship



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

~~Any citizen of the United States, and any United States National may be a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States who is serving or has served honorably in the Armed Forces of the United States:~~

~~An individual is eligible for membership in the corporation only if the individual is serving or has served honorably as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States:~~

- ~~(1) in a foreign war, insurrection, or expedition, which service has been recognized as campaign medal service and is governed by the authorization of the award of a campaign badge by the Government of the United States; or~~
- ~~(2) on the Korean peninsula or in its territorial waters for not less than 30 consecutive days, or a total of 60 days, after June 30, 1949; or~~
- ~~(3) while a member of the Armed Forces serving in an area which entitled the individual to receive special pay for duty subject to hostile fire or imminent danger.~~

Section 109 MOP Appeals



Districts were removed from the 109 appeals process. Appeals from Post actions will now be made to the Department Commander.

This change is consistent with findings from the field where Districts generally lack sufficient administrative support to properly and expeditiously adjudicate appeals at their level.

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Sections 203/403/503/603 Bylaw Electronic Attendance



Sections 203 and 403 – removed “physically present” from quorum requirement. No longer requires the Post to vote on electronic attendance procedures in order or electronic attendance to be permitted.

Sections 503 and 603 – electronic attendance is permitted at conventions with concurrence of the respective Councils of Administration.

Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised (RONR) provides additional context and considerations for electronic meetings.

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Article IX Bylaw and MOP Major Changes



1. Materials Relied Upon
2. Summary Disposition
3. Resolution Agreement
4. Removal of authority from Conventions to initiate actions
5. Timeline to set and conduct disciplinary hearings
6. Electronic delivery of documents
7. Electronic Disciplinary Hearings
8. Guide to Conducting Disciplinary Actions
9. Electronic access to Article IX of the National Bylaws, Manual of Procedure, Guide to Conducting Disciplinary Actions
10. Appeals



QUESTIONS?