

**THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN  
107th ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION  
JULY 16 - 19, 2026 – APPLETON, WI**

**Resolution: 7.2026**

**Subject: Junior Rider Membership**

**Submitted by: Americanism Committee**

**Referred to Americanism Committee**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the national executive committee passed resolution No. 5 dated May 5-6, 2021, which includes the following statement: “ALR programs, allow current members of the American Legion family to join ALR chapters as support members”; and

**WHEREAS**, a junior member program would have a positive impact on membership for the American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion, as well as the American Legion for the parent/grandparent involvement; and now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, by the Wisconsin American Legion Riders Association meeting, held on May 17, 2025, in Oostburg, Wisconsin, to add the following to Article III: Membership Requirements:

**H. Junior Riders**

1. A junior rider must be the child or grandchild (whether biological, adopted, or step) of a current American Legion Rider member who is in good standing, and they must be under the age of 19.
2. Junior riders must maintain membership in good standing with one of the following Legion family groups in Wisconsin:
  - a. American Legion Auxiliary,
  - b. Sons of the American Legion.
3. Junior riders must abide by all American Legion of Wisconsin governing documents, including dues and uniform. They will receive a patch or back patch with ‘Junior Rider’ on it.
4. Junior riders are not required to maintain motorcycle endorsement or ownership.
5. Junior riders will have a voice at district and state meetings but will not have a vote at district or state meetings. They cannot hold district or state officer positions.
6. On their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday their Junior Rider membership will expire. However, if they have earned their motorcycle endorsement, their Junior Rider membership can be extended until their 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday. At that time, they would either need to become a full member on their own or their membership expires.
7. A Junior Rider may transfer to Full Membership at any time they meet the requirements as outlined in the Wisconsin American Legion Riders Bylaws, Article III Membership Requirements Sections A & B.

**For Convention Committee Use**

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly acted upon by the department Convention held in Appleton, WI, July 2026.

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Chair or Secretary signature

Of Convention Committee on

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