



Marine Corps League

Department of North Carolina



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Subject: Proposed DoNC Bylaws Change Article Six Section 620 Delinquent Member

In accordance with Article Eight, Section 800, of Department Bylaws (DBL) Amendments, I am submitting the following change for consideration at the 2023 Department of North Carolina Convention.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

SECTION 620 - DELINQUENT MEMBER - A member shall be identified as delinquent whenever the member's dues are not paid and transmitted on or before membership expiration date as shown on member's card.

- A. Such member shall be retained in the delinquent status for a maximum one year, during which time the member may erase this status by making payment of all dues in arrears and all dues current and provided that the member is not indebted to the member's Detachment, Department, or to National Headquarters.
- B. Should the affected member remain in the delinquent status in excess of one year, such member shall be dropped from all membership rolls. The good standing status of such member shall be restored only through the processing of a standard application form as a new member, which shall include the current initiation fee and dues as established by the procedures of these Bylaws, Article Six, Section 610; however, a member who is delinquent and wishes to retain the continued membership status shall do so by submitting the standard application form, which shall be accompanied by ALL past dues and assessments which have accumulated during the entire period of the applicant's delinquent status.
- C. No delinquent member may be transferred.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE (New or Revised text in RED)

SECTION 620 - DELINQUENT MEMBER - A member shall be identified as delinquent whenever the member's dues are not paid and transmitted on or before membership expiration of August 31 annually.

- A. Such member shall be retained in the delinquent status for a maximum one year, during which time the member may erase this status by making payment of all dues in arrears and all dues current and provided that the member is not indebted to the member's Detachment, Department, or to National Headquarters.



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B. Should the affected member remain in the delinquent status in excess of one year, such member shall be dropped from all membership rolls. . The member may be restored to "good standing" status by:

(1) Submitting a transmittal accompanied by ALL past dues which have accumulated during the entire period of the applicant's delinquent status, or

(2) Submitting a standard application and standard transmittal form with a code of R/I and the applicable renewal fee as currently established, or

(3) Submitting the following:

(a) A statement from the Detachment Commandant verifying the member has been informed and understands that their original enrollment date will be deleted, and all past dues removed. This effectively creates a new join date for Marine Corps League tenure, and

(b) A statement from the Detachment Commandant that the Member has not committed a felony during the delinquency period. If a felony was committed, a signed statement from the delinquent member that he/she agrees to waive their rights under the Privacy Act and disclose the nature of the felony conviction for consideration of reinstatement in the Marine Corps League, and

(c) A statement from the Detachment Commandant that the Member does not have a pending Chapter 9 case or is currently suspended by the Marine Corps League or has been expelled by the Marine Corps League, and

(d) A standard transmittal form with a code of R/I, and

(e) The applicable renewal fee as currently established. (REV 2021)

C. No delinquent member may be transferred.

RATIONALE: This change is consistent with NAP Chapter Seven, Section 7035 and as recommended by NJA upon review of 2022 DoNC Bylaws Administrative Procedures and should be enacted without the need for Department membership approval.

Respectfully Submitted,

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