

February 15, 2023

Dear Post Quartermaster:

Enclosed with this letter is the very important **Post Election Report**, which must be completed and immediately filed with VFW National Headquarters following your annual Post election in April. Although it is the responsibility of the Post Commander under Section 218(a)(1)(i) of the National Manual of Procedure to ensure the filing of the report for the ensuing year, you as Post Quartermaster have access to the membership and Post records which are needed to properly render the report. We are therefore requesting you complete the form online to ensure its accuracy. It is important that a Post Election Report be completed online even if there are no changes in the elected and appointed officers for the ensuing year.

To continue our commitment to better use our financial resources, I am encouraging every Post to file their report using the Online Membership System (OMS). This enhanced system allows you as the Quartermaster an opportunity to efficiently and effectively report the Post's newly elected and appointed officers.

Once you've successfully entered the new data and properly transmitted, a copy of the election report is automatically sent to the email address of the person completing the form and to your Department Headquarters.

Please be reminded that Section 211 of the National Bylaws stipulates authority to the Commander-in-Chief, to suspend and eventually revoke a Post Charter for failure to submit a properly completed Post Election Report to this Headquarters by June 1.

You will also find enclosed the **National Convention Post Registration Invoice**, which must be completed and filed in advance of the National Convention. Section 222 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Bylaws requires each Post to pay in advance a National Convention registration fee of \$25.00. This shall entitle the Post to a packet of convention information and materials and one identified registered delegate for the National Convention. Each additional delegate attending the National Convention will pay a \$10 delegate fee. Each Post is encouraged to register at least one delegate and one alternate for every thirty members or fraction thereof. *Please note that Section 222 of the Manual of Procedure states that delegates shall be elected at the regular meeting in April, with delegate strength based on members in good standing as of March 31.*

Like the Post Election Report, the National Convention Post and delegate registration process is available to Quartermasters through the Online Membership System (OMS). Only a Post or Department Quartermaster can register a Post and its delegates online. Members accessing the convention website will only be able to register as attendees.

For your convenience, we are providing complete instructions on how to accomplish these two very important processes, as well as the OMS alternative methods.

I appreciate your cooperation on these matters.

Sincerely,


Dan West
Adjutant General

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Enclosures

The 2023-24 Post Election Report is to be completed by the outgoing Post Quartermaster during or immediately following the election meeting.

Information you will need to properly file your report:

- Elected Post officers membership information to include current contact information and membership number
- Post meeting information to include address, day and time. The day should be shown as "First Tuesday," "Third Wednesday," as appropriate. If a meeting is held more than once a month, show as "First and Third Monday," "Every Friday," as appropriate. Time should be shown as "11:00 am," "7:30 pm," as appropriate
- Post mailing address, Post email and website information
- Post Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- Current Post dues amount
- Commander's named appointments for Adjutant, Chaplain and Service Officer (Judge Advocate and Surgeon if required by Post bylaws).

ONLINE ELECTION REPORT

Online reporting is the preferred method of submitting the Post's 2023-24 Election Report. As Post Quartermaster, you will log into vfw.org accessing "My VFW." You will then click on the link "Online Membership System." You will find, in the left navigation pane "Election Report"; open the drop down and click "Post Election Report Filing." You are now ready to use the newly enhanced reporting procedure. Follow the step by step process, verify your summary, make any necessary corrections and submit. This is a 5-7 minute process for the average user.

Quartermasters who need assistance setting up their Online Membership System (OMS) account should review the "Quartermaster Guide to Member Dues Processing" training document located in "VFW Training and Support" under "Member & Officer Training, Forms & Templates." Additional technical support is available by calling VFW Member Service Center at 833.VFW.VETS (833.839.8387).

Department Adjutants and Quartermasters have access to OMS; therefore, have the ability to enter Post Election results for a Post. Please consider this resource if you do not have access to OMS.

In addition to the annual Election Report, this system will be utilized to make officer changes during the administrative year.

MAIL-IN OR FAXED ELECTION REPORT

Although a return, postage paid envelope has been included in this year's mailing, we ask that you make every attempt to use the online reporting method. **Do not mail or fax your report if you have utilized the online reporting method.** Your report can be submitted by mailing one copy to the Adjutant General or fax to 816.968.1120.

NOTIFICATION

Changes in Post Officers will also be acknowledged by email to the Post Quartermaster's and Department Headquarters email addresses.

Corrections should be made by accessing OMS.

National Headquarters will be providing Post and officer information to the Department Headquarters.

Questions regarding the Post Election Report can be answered by calling 816.756.3390 ext. 6299.



20__ - __ POSTELECTION REPORT

DATE OF ELECTION:

POST #	DISTRICT #	DEPARTMENT	POST NAME	POST DUES AMOUNT Includes National and Department Per Capita	\$
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POST MEETING LOCATION (PHYSICAL ADDRESS)				POST MAILING ADDRESS			
BUILDING NAME (IF NOT POST NAME)				STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #			
STREET ADDRESS				ADDRESS LINE 2			
CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE	CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE
POST EMAIL ADDRESS				POST MEETING DAY/TIME			
POST WEBSITE				CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:			
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				<input type="checkbox"/> PROVIDE HALL RENTALS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROVIDE MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS		

COMMANDER							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

QUARTERMASTER							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

CHAPLAIN (APPOINTED)							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

1 YEAR TRUSTEE							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

2 YEAR TRUSTEE							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

3 YEAR TRUSTEE							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

ADJUTANT (APPOINTED)							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

SERVICE OFFICER (APPOINTED)							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

JUDGE ADVOCATE (IF REQUIRED BY POST BYLAWS) <input type="checkbox"/> ELECTED <input type="checkbox"/> APPOINTED							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

SURGEON (IF REQUIRED BY POST BYLAWS) <input type="checkbox"/> ELECTED <input type="checkbox"/> APPOINTED							
MEMBERSHIP #		NAME			STREET ADDRESS or PO BOX #		
PHONE #		EMAIL ADDRESS		CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROPERLY SUBMITTING

POST CONVENTION REGISTRATION, DELEGATES, ALTERNATES AND ATTENDEES

NATIONAL BYLAW - SECTION 222

Delegate strength shall be one for every thirty (30) members or fraction thereof in good standing. Delegates and alternates shall be elected in accordance with the Manual of Procedure.

Each Post will pay, in advance, a National Convention registration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25) which shall entitle the Post to a packet of convention information and materials and one identified registered delegate for the National Convention. Each additional delegate attending the National Convention will pay a ten dollar (\$10) delegate fee.

NATIONAL MANUAL OF PROCEDURE - SECTION 222

Delegates and alternates for the National Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting in April. Delegate strength will be based on members in good standing as of March 31.

ONLINE

Online submission is the preferred method of submitting the National Convention-Post & Delegate Registration Fee(s). As Post Quartermaster, you will log into vfw.org and access "My VFW." You will then click on the link "Online Membership System." You will find, in the left navigation pane "National Convention"; open the drop down and click "National Convention Registration" and enter desired membership information. This is a 3-6 minute process for the average user. **Please have the membership number available of all delegates, alternates and attendees you are registering.**

Only a Post or Department Quartermaster, utilizing this system, can register the Post's delegates online. Members accessing the National Convention website are registered as attendees only.

The Post registration fee of \$25 must be remitted *prior* to the convention; Post delegates will not be able to register their credentials unless this fee is paid.

MAIL-IN OR FAX

Enclosed with this notification is an invoice in the amount of \$25. Quartermasters may fill out and return this invoice using the enclosed pre-addressed, postage paid envelope. This form must be signed by the Adjutant or Quartermaster. The Post registration fee of \$25 must be remitted *prior* to the convention; Post delegates will not be able to register their credentials unless this fee is paid. When using the enclosed form you are required to include the membership number, name and address of all delegates, alternates and attendees you are registering.

DEFINITIONS

- Delegate- Member (in good standing) of the Post elected to represent the Post in all business activity at the National Convention. Delegates elected under Section 222 of the National Bylaws and Manual of Procedure shall not be considered instructed and may exercise full authority in the duty performed.
- Alternate- Member (in good standing) of the Post elected to represent the Post in all business activity at the National Convention in the event the elected delegate cannot attend. Alternates not fulfilling the role as "delegate" are considered "attendees."
- Attendee- Any member in good standing may register for the National Convention. Registering for the National Convention is another way a member can show support for VFW programs. The \$10 registration fee entitles the member to a convention packet which may be picked up at the convention.

NOTIFICATION

Post Quartermasters will receive letter confirmation that the Post is registered.

Delegates, alternates and attendees will receive a confirmation letter. Included in this letter will be a request for emergency contact information. We are asking all to fill-out and bring this form with them to convention; this is voluntary, but recommended.

All notification will be sent USPS, 3-5 days after processing.

DELEGATE STATUS

Commanders, Quartermasters or Adjutants may report any changes to a delegate's status through the Member Service Center via email at msc@vfw.org or by calling 833.VFW.VEETS (833.839.8387). **Please have the membership number available of all delegates, alternates and attendees you are registering.**

INVOICE

Due Upon Receipt



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

National Convention - Post & Delegate Registration

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Please type or print each member's information below and designate as delegate, alternate or attendee.

(Any change to a delegate's status shall be reported to the Member Service Center)

Registration Type	Membership Number	Member Name	Member Address	Email	Amount
Post Registration Fee w/ Delegate					\$25.00
<input type="radio"/> Delegate <input type="radio"/> Alternate <input type="radio"/> Attendee	CHOOSE ONLY ONE REGISTRATION TYPE PER LINE				
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Packets not picked up at the convention will not be mailed unless a request is received in writing within 60 days of the close of the convention.

Post Registration Fee with one (1) Delegate \$ 25.00
 Add \$10.00 each additional Delegate/Alternate/Attendee \$ _____
 TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Signature of Adjutant or Quartermaster: _____

Post # _____

CHECK/MONEY ORDER VISA MASTER CARD DISCOVER AMERICAN EXPRESS

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Card Holder's Name: _____

Mail completed form & payment to:

VFW Convention Registration
 406 W. 34th Street
 Kansas City, MO 64111

124TH NATIONAL CONVENTION

Phoenix, Arizona

REGISTRATION INFORMATION



124TH VFW NATIONAL CONVENTION

The VFW provides more options for checking in, faster service and better customer service at every turn.

Pre-Check-In

The first thing attendees will notice is the pre-check-in option. On Friday, July 21, before the festivities start, VFW National Convention pre-registered attendees can check in side-by-side with Auxiliary Convention attendees at the VFW National Headquarters Hotel (Hyatt Regency) and VFW Auxiliary Headquarters Hotel (Renaissance).

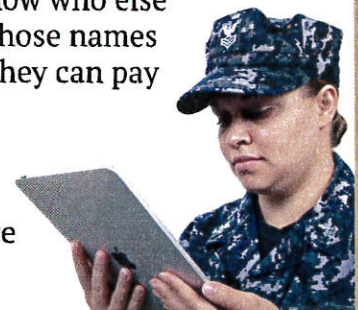
On-Site/New Registrations

On-site/new registrations will be handled at the convention center with registration beginning at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 22. Remember to download "VFW Events," the VFW's official event app, before you get to Phoenix. It will contain all convention information, including agendas and the shuttle bus schedules. The app can easily be downloaded at the Apple Store and the Google Play Store.

On-site registrants checking in at the convention center will find a streamlined process providing great customer service. Your registration letter will have a barcode on it. Bring that letter with you and our volunteers, armed with Bluetooth scanners, will scan your letter as you arrive and direct you to a kiosk where your registration information will be displayed as you approach. Additionally, you can use the digital touch screen to confirm your information.

If you need a guest pass you can print one out on the spot. Need to know who else from your Post or Department has arrived? A quick query will bring those names up. If you bring a friend and they want to partake in the convention they can pay at the kiosk and get a badge immediately.

We are making every effort to speed up the process and give you, the members of the VFW, the best experience we can deliver!



VFW 124th NATIONAL CONVENTION
Phoenix, AZ – July 22-27, 2023
NATIONAL CONVENTION HOUSING OPEN

TO: POST ADJUTANT

FROM: National Convention Office, VFW

SUBJECT: ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION

Reservations for the 124th VFW National Convention opens in February.

All members of your Post who desire to make room reservations for the convention are directed to use one of the following procedures:

- 1) **Online:** It's the quickest and easiest way to book a room.
Visit www.vfw.org/convention to access the housing website.
- 2) **By phone:** Toll free: 833-262-6900 or International: +1-725-263-1068 (Agents available 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. ET, Monday– Friday)
- 3) **Fax:** Fax the hotel reservation form to 725-218-1546

In order to take advantage of the special convention rates, be sure to book your reservation by **June 21, 2023**. All reservations require a valid credit card or money order or cashier's check for guarantee at time of confirming reservations. **Reservations received without a valid guarantee will be returned and will not be processed.**

This housing procedure gives our membership the most efficient and effective method of making and ensuring room reservations in Phoenix.

The enclosed housing form may be duplicated, as needed.



124th VFW National Convention 2023
July 22-27, 2023 - Phoenix, AZ

Official Hotel Reservation Form

INSTRUCTIONS

Reservations can be made in one of the following ways:

INTERNET: Visit the VFW web site at www.vfw.org/convention

TELEPHONE:

Toll-Free: 833-262-6900
9:00 am to 6:00 pm ET, Mon-Fri
International: +1-725-263-1068
9:00 am to 6:00 pm ET, Mon-Fri

FAX:

725-218-1546

EMAIL:

vfw@connectionshousing.com

DEADLINE

Reservations must be made by phone, or internet by **June 21, 2023**. Reservations received after this date will be subject to space and rate availability.

CONFIRMATIONS

Connections Housing will send you an Acknowledgement email including all details of your reservation. Please review all information for accuracy. If you do not receive an Acknowledgement email or have questions, please call Connections Housing at the above listed phone number.

TAX RATE & REQUESTS

Rates do not include 12.57% tax (subject to change) Special requests cannot be guaranteed; hotels will do their best to honor requests. Hotels will assign specific rooms upon check-in, based on availability.

CREDIT CARD REQUIRED:

Reservations will not be accepted without a valid credit card for room guarantee. The hotel reserves the right to charge one night's room plus tax prior to arrival. The remaining nights' charges are collected at check-in. If the credit card provided is not valid and chargeable in the amount of one night's room and tax per each room reserved, the hotel reserves the right to cancel your reservation(s).

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations must be received at least 72 hours prior to arrival to avoid a one night's room and tax penalty per reservation. Hotel also reserves the right to charge an early departure fee if applicable.

GUEST INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

FOR BEST AVAILABILITY AND IMMEDIATE CONFIRMATION, MAKE YOUR RESERVATION ONLINE AT www.vfw.org/convention OR BY calling 833-262-6900 (toll-free) or, +1-725-263-1068 (international).

Arrival Date: _____ **Departure Date:** _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____

Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

By requesting this reservation, I give Connections Housing consent to use this personal data to process this reservation, provide housing services on behalf of the event organizers, and contact me in the future with notifications and/or reminders relating to this event.

HOTEL SELECTION

Each **state/department has been assigned a hotel with an allocation of rooms**. In the event the allotment has been filled, a room will be reserved at another VFW hotel based on your preference of rates or proximity and availability.

If hotel assignment is sold out, which is more important? (check one) Room Rate Location

State you reside in: _____

Room Type Requested: One Bed Two Beds

Submit only one room request per form, please make copies if additional forms are needed.

List all room occupants:

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Check here if you have special needs and specify below.

Special Requests:

NOTE: All hotels are non-smoking properties.

PLEASE RETURN FORM VIA FAX: 725-218-1546

or VIA EMAIL: vfw@connectionshousing.com

We will contact you via the telephone number provided to obtain the credit card details to secure the requested reservation.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact us at 725-263-1068 or 833-262-6900 during the hours of 9:00 am to 6:00 pm ET, Monday-Friday.

2023 DEPARTMENT HOTEL ASSIGNMENTS

HYATT REGENCY (VFW)

New Jersey
Georgia
Delaware
Alaska
California
Colorado
Kansas
Hawaii
Idaho
Montana
Nevada
New Mexico
North Dakota
Oregon
Pacific Areas
Washington
Wyoming
Alabama
Arkansas
Tennessee
West Virginia
Kentucky
Unaffiliated Posts

RENAISSANCE (AUXILIARY HQT)

New York
Utah
Missouri
Connecticut
Europe
Maine
New Hampshire
Vermont
Rhode Island

SHERATON

Arizona
Texas
Illinois
Indiana
Michigan
Minnesota
Ohio
South Dakota
Wisconsin
Iowa
Nebraska
Maryland
Massachusetts
Pennsylvania
Florida
Louisiana
Mississippi
North Carolina
Oklahoma
South Carolina
Virginia

1/6/23