

AMERICAN LEGION  
YELLOWSTONE POST # 4  
CONSTITUTION



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PREAMBLE

Refer to the American Legion National Constitution for the Preamble

ARTICLE 1

Name

The name of this organization shall be "YELLOWSTONE POST NUMBER 4, THE AMERICAN LEGION"

ARTICLE 2

Nature

Section 2.01 Organization

The American Legion is a civilian organization; membership therein does not affect or increase liability for military or police service. Rank shall not exist in the Legion; no member shall be addressed by his military or naval title in any convention or meeting of the Legion.

Section 2.02 Principles

Neither this post nor any member thereof shall be allied with any political, industrial or religious party or movement that opposes in any manner the principles of government of the United States nor shall the Post contenance or lend its name or aid to any movement whatever, in which the Post as a whole is not involved:

Section 2.03 Controversy

Religious, partisan, political or industrial controversies shall not be permitted at any meeting of this Post, nor shall the Post, as such, participate in any political campaign or industrial controversy.

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ARTICLE III

Eligibility

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Section 3.01

Any person eligible to membership under the constitution of the American Legion may be elected to membership in this Post.

Section 3.02 Class of Membership

There shall be no form or class of membership except active membership, and dues shall be paid annually or for life.

Section 3.03 Dual Membership

No person may be a member at any one time of more than one post.

Section 3.04 Expelled members.

No person who has been expelled by a post shall be admitted to membership in this post without the consent of the expelling post, except where such consent has been asked for and denied such post; he may then appeal to the Executive Committee of the expelling post for permission to be admitted to membership in this Post, and shall be ineligible for membership until such permission is granted.

ARTICLE IV

Post Officers

Section 4.01 Election of Officers

The Post shall elect annually a Post Commander, a Vice Commander, a Sergeant at Arms, a Finance Officer, a Historian and a Chaplain, all of whom shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the By-Laws and hold office for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4.02 Election of Executive Committee

The Post shall elect annually 5 members to the Executive Committee, all of whom shall perform such duties as prescribed by the By-Laws and hold office for one year until their successors are elected.

Section 4.03 Executive Committee Members

All of those elected in Section 1 and 2 above shall be members of the Board of Trustees, which will be known as the Executive Committee. The Adjutant and Immediate Past Commander will also be members of the Executive Committee.

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Section 4.04 Historian and Chaplain

The Post shall also elect annually a Historian and Chaplain, who shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the By-Laws and hold office for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4.05 Post Adjutant and Post Service Officer

An Adjutant and Post Service Officer shall be chosen by the Executive Committee each year as provided in the By-Laws.

Section 4.06 Terms of Elected Positions

- (a) No member may be elected to more than one elected office at a time.
- (b) A member may be elected to hold the same elective office for unlimited consecutive terms.

ARTICLE V  
Auxiliaries


This Post recognizes and will assist and cooperate with the Auxiliary of the American Legion provided the same be constituted and conducted according to the principles of the Constitution of The American Legion, and in obedience to this Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI  
Amendments

Section 6.01 Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of this Post by a two-thirds vote of the membership in attendance at such meeting, provided however, that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted at the previous regular meeting for a majority vote of the membership in attendance, and provided further that the proposed amendment shall have been advertised to the membership, either by the newsletter or by special mailing to all members not less than thirty (30) days before the final vote, indicating the changes or additions being considered.

(This Constitution as herein Amended is approved on the twenty (20<sup>th</sup>) day of January 2014.

  
Donald R. Clair, Adjutant

  
Andrew Danforth, Commander

