

10-Year Membership Plan Frequently Asked Questions

Q1: Why was the 10-Year Membership program created?

A1: The program was created for several reasons, the first of which is retention. Membership is the life-blood of The American Legion and retaining our members is of high importance. A 10-year membership option allows members to “set it and forget it” by locking in their membership at a discounted rate without the need to renew for a decade.

Q2: Am I eligible for the 10-Year Membership program?

A2: All American Legion members in good standing are eligible for the program. Members that are currently paid-up for this membership year are still eligible with a pro-rated payment of \$315. SAL and Auxiliary are not currently eligible for this program.

Q3: How much does the 10-Year Membership program cost?

A3: The program offers a discounted membership rate of \$35 per year for 10 years totaling \$350. The average rate for membership in Indiana is \$45 per year, making this program a competitive option for members to lock in discounted rates.

Q4: How the 10-Year Membership program different from paid up for life?

A4: Paid-up-for-Life, or PUFL, basis payment by the age of the member. Gulf War and Post 9/11 veterans sometimes pay more than \$1,000 for their life membership. While this option makes sense for some, a discounted rate of \$350 for 10-years makes sense for others.

Q5: What are the advantages in participating in the 10-Year Membership program over traditional annual membership?

A5: Advantages of the program include locking in the discounted rate of \$35 per year for 10 years; “Set it and forget it” no need to renew membership for a decade as your membership will be automatically renewed by the Department of Indiana and your Post; Protect yourself from future dues increases, your \$35 per year rate is paid up front and will not be effected by potential Department and National per capita dues increases.

Q6: What if there is a dues increase during my 10-Year Membership plan?

A6: The Centennial Strong Membership plan offers a 10-Year-Membership plan at a reduced rate, \$35.00 per year for 10 years in the amount of \$350. This offer is backed by the Department Finance Committee to insulate members and Posts from feeling the effects of future dues increases. The \$350 rate is locked in, regardless of potential National and Department per capita dues increases.

Q7: Can I transfer my membership while participating in the 10-Year Membership program?

A7: As long as your transfer is within the state of Indiana, your 10-Year Membership plan will stay active. 10-Year Membership is only valid to Hoosier Legionnaires. Department Headquarters WILL NOT offer a refund if you choose to move out of the state within the duration of your plan.

Q8: What if my Post closes while I participate in the 10-Year Membership program?

A8: If a participating Posts closes during your 10-year Membership plan, contact The American Legion, Department of Indiana at 317-630-1300. The Department will work with you to transfer you into another participating Post to include Headquarters Post 777.