



**THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
APPLICATION FOR PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE (PUFL) MEMBERSHIP**
(Please type or print - see instructions on reverse)



APPLICANT'S NAME _____ MEMBER ID # _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NO. [_____] _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ TOTAL PUFL FEE \$ _____
(Mo./Day/Year) (See Chart on Reverse)

BRANCH OF SERVICE (check one only): US Army US Navy US Marines US Air Force US Coast Guard

Full Payment Enclosed **OR** Time Payment Enclosed - Requires minimum payment of **10% OF TOTAL** as down payment.
(See instructions on reverse)

PAYMENT IS MADE BY THE FOLLOWING METHOD:

Check or Money Order (Made payable to The American Legion) **DO NOT SEND CASH.**

Please provide check or money order number _____

Charge to MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express

(Credit Card Number)

(Expiration Date)

Date _____ Signature of Applicant _____

Applicant's signature may be omitted if PUFL is to be given as a gift. If card is to be mailed to another address, enter below.

IF GIFT, MAIL CARD TO:

Name _____ Mbr ID # (If applicable): _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE POST ADJUTANT OR FINANCE OFFICER

- By signature below, I certify that the PUFL applicant named above is a member in good standing and holds a valid membership card. Annual dues were last paid for the _____ membership year and were paid to Post # _____ in the Department of _____.
- Check one:**
 Member is applying at a PUFL fee based on our annual Post dues rate of \$ _____.
 With Post approval, this member is applying at a PUFL fee based on the **reduced Post dues rate** of \$ _____.
- If applicable, this member is transferring from the above Post to (new) Post # _____ in the Department of _____.

Signature of Post Adjutant or Finance Officer

Dept/Post #

Date Processed By Post

POST FORWARDS APPLICATION WITH PAYMENT TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. (RETAIN A COPY FOR POST RECORDS.)

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Member National Per Capita _____ Date Received at National: _____
 Post Dept Per Capita _____
 Dept. Post Per Capita _____

FORM #32-090 (October 2003)

^ DETACH HERE ^

APPLICANT'S RECEIPT:

Name of Applicant \$ _____
Payment Received _____
Date Processed By Post

The member named above has applied for a Paid-Up-For-Life membership. The application has been certified by the Post and sent to the Department Headquarters with the payment noted above. After Department approval, it will be forwarded to National Headquarters for final processing. National will issue a permanent membership card in recognition of your status as a PUFL member of The American Legion.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Signature of Post Adjutant or Finance Officer

You must already be a member of The American Legion before application for a Paid-Up-For-Life membership can be initiated.

HOW TO BE A PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE AMERICAN LEGIONNAIRE

Any member of The American Legion, in good standing, is eligible provided the Post is in a Department participating in the National Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) Membership Plan. Kansas and Nebraska do not participate (they have their own plan). To be in good standing, the member must have a valid membership card for the current year. After January 1, a member is delinquent if dues for the current year are not paid, and would need to pay current dues before being eligible to purchase a PUFL. Should a PUFL member hold membership in a Post whose charter has been canceled and the member is unable to effect a transfer, then the unused portion of the original fee will be refunded. The same rule will apply in the case of a member whose membership has been revoked by the Post. Except as stated, no refunds of PUFL membership fees will be made.

COST OF A PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE MEMBERSHIP

A PUFL membership is based on two factors - the member's age at the time of purchase and the total dues of the Post at the same time. The total dues of the Post include the Department and National per capita and the amount of the annual dues retained by the Post. **The dues amount used to compute the cost may NOT be less than the sum of the Department and National per capita.** The chart below shows the cost of a PUFL membership for any age and for some Post dues. Pick out your age group (your age at last birthday) then find your Post dues in the left-hand column and go across to your age column; this is your cost. **For example**, if your dues are \$25.00 and you are 65 years old, your cost is \$352.

The American Legion PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE Membership Rate Chart - effective January 1, 2004

DUES	AGE GROUP													
	24 & Under	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85 & Over
\$20	\$697	\$663	\$626	\$585	\$540	\$492	\$441	\$388	\$334	\$282	\$232	\$186	\$145	\$118
\$21	\$732	\$696	\$657	\$614	\$567	\$517	\$463	\$407	\$351	\$296	\$244	\$195	\$152	\$123
\$22	\$766	\$729	\$688	\$644	\$594	\$542	\$485	\$427	\$367	\$310	\$255	\$204	\$159	\$129
\$23	\$801	\$762	\$719	\$673	\$621	\$566	\$507	\$446	\$384	\$324	\$267	\$213	\$166	\$135
\$24	\$836	\$795	\$751	\$702	\$648	\$591	\$529	\$466	\$401	\$338	\$279	\$223	\$174	\$141
\$25	\$871	\$829	\$782	\$731	\$676	\$616	\$552	\$485	\$418	\$352	\$290	\$232	\$181	\$147
\$26	\$906	\$862	\$813	\$761	\$703	\$640	\$574	\$504	\$434	\$366	\$302	\$241	\$188	\$153
\$27	\$941	\$895	\$845	\$790	\$730	\$665	\$596	\$524	\$451	\$380	\$313	\$251	\$195	\$159
\$28	\$976	\$928	\$876	\$819	\$757	\$689	\$618	\$543	\$468	\$394	\$325	\$260	\$202	\$165
\$29	\$1,010	\$961	\$907	\$848	\$784	\$714	\$640	\$563	\$484	\$408	\$337	\$269	\$210	\$171
\$30	\$1,045	\$994	\$938	\$878	\$811	\$739	\$662	\$582	\$501	\$422	\$348	\$278	\$217	\$176
\$31	\$1,080	\$1,027	\$970	\$907	\$838	\$763	\$684	\$601	\$518	\$436	\$360	\$288	\$224	\$182
\$32	\$1,115	\$1,060	\$1,001	\$936	\$865	\$788	\$706	\$621	\$534	\$451	\$372	\$297	\$231	\$188
\$33	\$1,150	\$1,094	\$1,032	\$965	\$892	\$812	\$728	\$640	\$551	\$465	\$383	\$306	\$239	\$194
\$34	\$1,185	\$1,127	\$1,064	\$995	\$919	\$837	\$750	\$660	\$568	\$479	\$395	\$316	\$246	\$200
\$35	\$1,219	\$1,160	\$1,095	\$1,024	\$946	\$862	\$772	\$679	\$585	\$493	\$406	\$325	\$253	\$206
\$36	\$1,254	\$1,193	\$1,126	\$1,053	\$973	\$886	\$794	\$698	\$601	\$507	\$418	\$334	\$260	\$212
\$37	\$1,289	\$1,226	\$1,157	\$1,082	\$1,000	\$911	\$816	\$718	\$618	\$521	\$430	\$343	\$268	\$218
\$38	\$1,324	\$1,259	\$1,189	\$1,112	\$1,027	\$936	\$838	\$737	\$635	\$535	\$441	\$353	\$275	\$223
\$39	\$1,359	\$1,292	\$1,220	\$1,141	\$1,054	\$960	\$860	\$757	\$651	\$549	\$453	\$362	\$282	\$229
\$40	\$1,394	\$1,326	\$1,251	\$1,170	\$1,081	\$985	\$882	\$776	\$668	\$563	\$464	\$371	\$289	\$235
Other *	\$34.84	\$33.14	\$31.28	\$29.25	\$27.02	\$24.62	\$22.06	\$19.40	\$16.70	\$14.08	\$11.61	\$9.28	\$7.23	\$5.88

* If the Post dues are not shown on the chart, compute the cost by multiplying the actual dues by the amount in the "Other" line, using the one at the bottom of your age column. **For example**, age 62 and annual dues of \$27.50 (multiply \$27.50 x \$16.70 = \$459 [rounded to the nearest dollar]). If you use this method to compute the cost, double-check your multiplication to verify the fee...this will avoid unnecessary correspondence and delay.

THE APPLICATION FORM

The applicant fills out the top portion of the form in full, signs it, and turns it over to the Post Adjutant. Unless the membership is to be charged to MasterCard, VISA, Discover or American Express, payment by personal check or money order must accompany the application. If desired, arrangements may be made to pay the fee on time payment - enclose at least 10% of the total PUFL fee with the application. Coupons with envelopes are sent to the member so monthly payments can be submitted until the balance is paid in full (**you have 12 months to pay the balance**). Post Adjutant or Finance Officer must certify 1) the member is in good standing, 2) enter the latest year for which dues are paid, 3) the member I.D. #, and 4) the dues amount used to calculate the lifetime fee. After signing, the Post Adjutant or Finance Officer gives the receipt to the applicant. The Post is encouraged to make a copy of the application for its records. **The Post Membership Roster, and any other personnel records should be marked to show the member has paid dues for life as of the date on which the application is signed, or has begun a Time Payment plan.**