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It is hereby directed that all Marine Corps League members attending Department conferences or conventions be members in good standing and register, as an attendee or delegate, before being admitted to the business meeting of those events.

This directive will be in effect forthwith.

By order of

William Backes
Department Commandant
DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

COMMANDANT’S DIRECTIVE

Directive No. 10-2

Promulgated December 4, 2010

It is hereby directed that all Department officers, appointed and elected, shall, while attending the business meetings of the Department, wear the prescribed uniform as follows: Department elected Officers shall wear the casual uniform of the Marine Corps League (red blazer, white shirt, with black field scarf, black trousers and black shined shoes). Appointed officers may wear, in lieu of the red blazer, the undress uniform of the MCL (White shirt, blue or black trousers and black shined shoes).

This directive will be in effect forthwith.

By order of

William Backes
Department Commandant
Forwarding Department Commandant’s Communications

Promulgated November 4, 2012

It is hereby directed that all District Vice Commandants shall direct all communications, received from the Department Commandant, to all Detachment Commandants and Adjutants, Adjutant/Paymasters within their assigned district.

- Vice Commandants shall establish an email list of all Commandants, Adjutants, Adjutant/Paymasters and any other officer or member that wishes to receive communications from the Department.
- Upon receiving communications from the Department, shall forward the message, with any attachments to their district membership.
- Shall copy the Department Commandant, when they send any MCL official emails to their district, including ones being forwarded from the Department.

This directive will be in effect forthwith.

By order of

Lou Calleja
Department Commandant
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA

Directive No. 14-1

Promulgated June 10, 2014

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

It is hereby directed that all members be reminded and follow the National By-Laws, Administrative Procedures Chapter One, Section 110, to wit:

Section 110 - POLICY

(b) The Marine Corps League shall never take part in any labor or management dispute or issue, and it shall be ever non-sectarian, non-political; nor shall it be based on the grounds of race, color, creed, nationality, or sex; nor shall it be used as a medium of political ambition or preferment; nor shall former military rank or former or present civilian position be used as the basis for special consideration or preferment.

(c) Nothing in the preceding subsection shall prohibit the Marine Corps League or any subdivision thereof, from participating in political issues affecting the welfare of the United States Marine Corps, the national security of our Nation, or any veterans’ claims for justice arising from service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

By Order of

William G. Cona

Department of Florida
Commandant
DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

COMMANDANT’S DIRECTIVE

Directive No. 14-2

Prescribed Uniform for Detachment Commandants
Promulgated July 7th, 2014

At all Department Conferences and Conventions, Business Meetings, it is directed that all Detachment Commandants or their representative wear the Uniform of the Day.

The Uniform of the Day shall be the Undress Uniform of the Marine Corps League. The undress uniform of the MCL, as stated in the National By Laws Enclosure Three, Section UNIFORMS MALE, UNDRESS, is as follows: Standard MCL cover, white shirt (Pilot), (with MCL or DOD ribbons), MODD Tag, blue dress trousers with NCO red stripe, Marine Corps khaki web belt with brass buckle, with black socks and black shined plain toe shoes; or optional black trousers with black belt, with black socks, and black shined plain toe shoes.)

This directive will be in effect forthwith.

By Order of
William G. Cona
Department of Florida
Commandant
Prescribed Uniform for all Past Department Commandants
Promulgated October 26th, 2014

At all Department Conferences and Conventions, Business Meetings, it is directed that all Past Department Commandants wear the Uniform of the Day as specified below.
The Uniform of the Day shall be the Undress Uniform of the Marine Corps League. The undress uniform of the MCL, as stated in the National By Laws Enclosure Three, Section -UNIFORMS MALE, UNDRESS, is as follows:
Standard MCL cover, white shirt (Pilot), (with MCL or DOD ribbons), MODD Tag, blue dress trousers with NCO red stripe, Marine Corps khaki web belt with brass buckle, with black socks and black shined plain toe shoes; or optional black trousers with black belt, with black socks, and black shined plain toe shoes.)

The sole exception will be the Jr. Past Commandant who will be subject to the Department Commandant’s Uniform of the Day. It is also requested that all Past Department Commandants sit in the front row (Left side facing the Podium) during the Business Meeting.
This directive will be in effect forthwith.
By Order of
William G. Cona
Department of Florida
Commandant
Promulgated June 18th, 2015

Department of Florida

Detachment Commandant of the Year Award

“In accordance with Department of Florida By-Laws, Administrative Procedures Section 200(e) the Department of Florida Commandant shall create a Standing Committee listed as “Department Detachment Commandant of the Year”. The sitting Commandant of Florida shall appoint a past “Detachment Commandant of the Year” to Chair the committee. The selection of an annual Detachment Commandant of the Year shall be from the nominees submitted by the Detachments of the Department; and in accordance with submission requirements as established by the committee and approved by the Board of Trustees. For 2015, the appointed chair is PDC Walt Russell.

The committee shall consist of the Chairman, the sitting Department of Florida Commandant, the Junior Past Commandant and all past recipients of the Detachment Commandant of the Year award. There shall be a minimum of five members. If there are less than five members available to serve, the Department Commandant shall appoint additional members for a limited term with preference given to Past Department Commandants and/or current members of the Board of Trustees. The committee will meet annually, in closed session, during the Department Convention to deliberate and determine the most deserving of the candidates. All deliberations of the committee will remain confidential except for the announcement of the award recipient during the annual banquet.

Beginning with the 2016, all nominations must be submitted using the questionnaire form provided by the Council and available on the Department website.

Criteria for nomination and selection shall include: Leadership qualities; membership growth; a low delinquency rate; detachment activities in support of the MCL mission; activities in service to the community; participation by the Commandant in Department Conferences, Conventions, Leadership Programs and District meetings; and attendance at other MCL conventions/conferences such as Division or National events.

A budget line shall be established in the Department budget for the purchase and engraving of a suitable award to be presented to the Commandant of the Year. A perpetual listing of awardees shall be maintained on the Department web site.”

By Oder of
William G. Cona
Commandant
Directive No. 15-2

Promulgated September 21, 2015

Department of Florida

To: All Department Officers both Elected and Appointed.
From: The Commandant William G. Cona, Department of Florida
Subj: Directive 15-2
    Departmental Quarterly Reports

Each Staff Officer of the Department of Florida shall submit a written Quarterly Report of actions; activities, significance, importance, and general interest within the staff member’s area or operation and responsibility. The Report shall include any information requested and/or that information which is vital to the Department Commandant, and our members, about your area of responsibility. These reports are to be submitted to the Department Commandant and the Department Adjutant on/or before the dates as defined below and will be posted to the Department website for the benefit of all members.

Reports will be due on or before: the 1st of September, the 1st of December, the 1st of March, and the 1st of June prior to the Department Convention. It is preferred that the reports be submitted via E-mail, as an attachment, so that a copy may be posted on the Department website for all members to view. Said report may also be sent by U.S. Mail.

In addition to the quarterly reports some information may require immediate attention. These items of significance and/or importance (positive or negative) are to be communicated to the Department Commandant in a timely manner so that the appropriate response may be initiated. These reports may be initially communicated by voice but should be followed by a written report.

By Order of
William G. Cona
Commandant
Department of Florida
Directive No. 10-2 is hereby rescinded and replaced by this directive, No. 17-1.

It is hereby directed that all Department officers and staff, whether appointed or elected shall wear the prescribed uniform as directed by the Department Commandant for specific occasions.

Absent any specific direction, the following prescribed uniform shall be worn while attending Conventions and conferences, or representing the Department at Detachment meetings or other public events and meetings.

The prescribed uniform of the day is as follows:

The Undress Uniform of the Marine Corps League.

The undress uniform of the MCL, as stated in the National By-Laws Enclosure Three, Section UNIFORMS MALE, UNDRESS, is as follows: Standard MCL cover, white shirt (Pilot), (with MCL or DOD ribbons), MODD Tag, blue dress trousers with NCO red stripe, Marine Corps khaki web belt with brass buckle, with black socks and black shined plain toe shoes; or optional black trousers with black belt, with black socks, and black shined plain toe shoes).

This directive shall be effective 3 July 2017.

By order of
George LaMont
Department Commandant