



August 26, 2025

Kevin S. Ryan, Commander
Outer Banks Post No. 10950, VFW
PO Box 713
Nags Head, NC 27959

Re: Proposed Amended Bylaws:

Dear Comrade Ryan:

Receipt is acknowledged of the proposed Bylaws for Post No. 10950, submitted through channels for the review of the Commander-in-Chief in accordance with Section 202 of the Manual of Procedure.

A review of the proposed Bylaws disclosed substantial compliance with the Congressional Charter, Bylaws, Manual of Procedure, Ritual, and laws and usages of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States; however, needed modification for compliance. To preclude any misunderstanding of the additions and/or deletions, an informal document has been attached.

A copy of the reviewed Bylaws, with the corrections noted thereon, has been retained for our files, another forwarded to your Department Headquarters, and two sets herewith returned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Q. Carroll", is positioned above the typed name.

Quentin S. Carroll, Director
Administrative Operations

QSC:sb
Enc: Bylaws (2)
cc: Department Adjutant (1)

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NATIONAL BYLAWS/MANUAL OF PROCEDURE CONFLICT

POST 10950 NORTH CAROLINA

Article V Section 2

Replace “Service Officer” with “Benefits Advisor”

Reason: To comply with the amended Bylaw change approved by the delegates at the 126th National Convention on August 12, 2025.

BYLAWS

OUTER BANKS POST NO. 10950

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

ARTICLE I

NAME AND LOCATION

Sec. 1. By virtue of charter granted, this Post shall be known as Outer Banks Post No. 10950 Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Sec. 2. The location of this Post shall be in the town of Nags Head, County of Dare, State of North Carolina.

ARTICLE II

SUBORDINATION

Sec 1. The supreme power of this association is vested in the National Convention and this Post shall be at all times governed by the Congressional Charter and Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the Bylaws of the Department of North Carolina, orders issued by authority of the National Convention, National Council of Administration, the Commander-in-Chief, the Department Convention, Department Council of Administration and the Commander of the Department of North Carolina. For the purposes of this Article and Section, Resolutions adopted by the National Convention are held to be lawful orders.

ARTICLE III

MEETINGS

Sec. 1. Place: The regular meeting place of this Post shall be at Colington Volunteer Fire Department, 108 Schoolhouse Road, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina.

Sec. 2. Time: The regular meetings of the Post shall be held on the 1st Monday of each month, to be called to order at 7 p.m.

Sec. 3. The Post may, after at least fourteen (14) days written notice to the

Department Commander and the members of the Post, change its meeting place, appointed day or time upon a majority vote of the members present and voting at a regular or special meeting called for such purpose.

Sec. 4. Special meetings may be called in accordance with the provisions of the National Bylaws.

Sec. 5. Quorum: Five (5) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Sec. 1. Membership in this Post, eligibility to, application for, acquiring and maintenance of, loss of and discipline shall be in accordance with the provisions of the National Bylaws.

Sec. 2. The admission fee of this Post shall be payable in accordance with the National Bylaws. New members shall have their first year's annual dues, including admission fee, paid by the Post.

Sec. 3. The dues of this Post shall never be less than the amount required to cover Department and National dues.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

Sec. 1. Eligibility to nominate, elect or appointment, installation and term of office shall be in accordance with the provisions of the National Bylaws.

Sec 2. The Post shall elect the Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Quartermaster, and three Trustees. The Commander shall appoint an Adjutant, Chaplain, and may appoint a Benefits Advisor.

Sec. 3. The duties of all officers shall be those prescribed by National and Department Bylaws, lawful orders as the Post may direct and as these Bylaws may provide.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES AND DUTIES

Sec. 1. All committees and their chairpersons, unless otherwise provided, shall be appointed by the Commander as promptly as possible after election to office, and as such shall serve at the Commander's will and pleasure. The Post Quartermaster, by virtue of his/her office, shall be treasurer of all committees handling funds.

Sec. 2. The Standing Committees of the Post/Auxiliary shall be as follows: (a)

Membership

- (b) Relief
- (c) Buddy Poppy
- (d) Publicity
- (e) Youth Activities
- (f) Ways and Means
- (g) Community Activities
- (h) Safety

ARTICLE VII

CONTROL OF SUBSIDIARY UNITS

Sec. 1. Any activity, unit or clubrooms sponsored, conducted or operated by the Post, incorporated separately from the Post or unincorporated, shall be at all times under the direct control of the Post.

Sec. 2. All funds derived from any of the above shall be in the custody of the Post Quartermaster.

Sec. 3. All money, property and assets of every kind as well as all records in connection therewith used, held and owned by any of the above activities is the property of the Post and must be placed in the care and custody of the Post Quartermaster.

Sec. 4. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and Military Order of the Cootie are governed by Articles XI and XII respectively of the National Bylaws and Manual of Procedure of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their respective Bylaws, rules and regulations.

ARTICLE VIII

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

Sec. 1. Expenditure of funds shall be made only after prior authorization by the Post and on proper voucher drawn by the Adjutant and approved by the Commander. All checks for the expenditure of Post funds shall be numbered in sequence, the number of each check to correspond with the voucher authorizing the same, other expenditures may be made using acceptable banking practices, such as ACH debits and credit card charges. Disbursements of Post Funds shall bear the signature of the Quartermaster or other person(s) authorized by the Quartermaster. Such other authorized person(s) shall be bonded in accordance with Section 703 of the National Bylaws.

Sec. 2. The adoption of this Article shall constitute authorization by the Post for the payment of bills, when and as due, for monthly rental, public utility service, postage, janitor service and for janitor's supplies provided that the amounts to be paid for monthly

rental and for janitor service shall have been previously established by the Post.

Sec. 3. Commander's Discretionary Expenditures: The Post Commander is granted authority to direct payment for emergency contingencies up to the total amount of \$250.00 at his/her personal discretion. The Post Quartermaster will issue payment(s) when so directed and keep records to assure specified limits are maintained. Ratification of discretionary expenditures will be voted by the Post members at the next subsequent regular meeting. Any expenditure not ratified by the Post members will reduce the discretionary fund limits for the Post Commander for the duration of his/her term of office.

Sec. 4. No other payment or expenditure shall be made except on the specific authorization of the Post in each and every case.

ARTICLE IX

COMPENSATION

Sec. 1. No compensation shall be paid to any officer of this Post for their services as such officer, except as hereafter may be provided.

Sec. 2. The Post and Auxiliary each may designate two delegates to attend the Councils of Administration/Convention. The Post and Auxiliary will pay the cost for lodging at the COA hotel and the cost of the banquet. One vehicle each is authorized for the Post and Auxiliary to transport the delegates and mileage at the rate of \$0.20 per mile will be paid (Post delegate vehicle operator is paid by the Department and Auxiliary delegate vehicle operator is paid by the Auxiliary). Hospitality Room charges, all other meals, and incidental expenses are the personal responsibility of the delegates.

ARTICLE X

FUND RAISING PROMOTIONS / SOLICITATIONS

Sec. 1. This Post shall solicit funds or donations only by prior vote of the members agreeing to the proposition. It shall not solicit funds or donations or otherwise engage in fund-raising activities or projects outside of the immediate geographical area or community of the Post, e.g., Dare and Currituck Counties. The Department Raffle is a valid exception.

Sec. 2. This Post shall not enter into any agreement with a promoter for the purpose of raising funds.

Sec. 3. Fund-raising organizations or individuals conducting solicitations, activities or projects for a profit shall not be engaged or used by the Post.

Sec. 4. Unless previously authorized by a majority vote of the Post, no solicitations or ticket sales shall be permitted in the Post quarters or at socials or meetings unless such solicitations or ticket sales shall have been approved by the Post.

ARTICLE XI

MISCELLANEOUS

Sec. 1. Members of this Post shall keep the Post Adjutant and Quartermaster advised of their current address by properly reporting any change of same. For purposes of controlling costs and making expeditious delivery of information, members are encouraged to provide current email addresses and phone numbers. No personal contact information shall be distributed outside of the organizational membership.

Sec. 2. One copy of these Bylaws shall be issued to each elected and appointed officer of this Post.

Sec. 3. In all Post procedure not provided for by the Congressional Charter and Bylaws or these Bylaws Robert's Rules Of Order Newly Revised shall be the authority, and it shall be the duty of the Post Judge Advocate, in an advisory way, when called upon to do so by the Post Commander to advise the Post Commander on the proper rule or rules.

ARTICLE XII

SPEECHES

Sec. 1. In response to the Commander's inquiry, "Any Discussion?", no member will be permitted to speak on any one subject (pro or con) more than twice; and the first time no longer than five (5) minutes and the second time no longer than three (3) minutes with the exception of a committee report and recommendations and visiting guests who have a message to impart.

ARTICLE XIII

AMENDMENTS

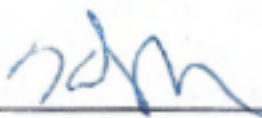
Sec. 1. These Bylaws shall become effective after adoption by this Post and after review by the Commander of the Department and Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

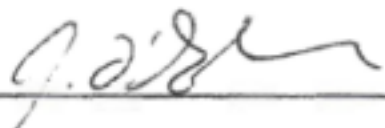
Sec. 2. These Bylaws may be amended by the Post by two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a stated meeting provided each member had been notified at least twenty (20) days in advance and upon request provided a copy of the proposed amendments.

Sec. 3. Wherever these Bylaws or subsequent amendments may be found to be in conflict with the present or any future National Bylaws and Bylaws of the Department, the latter shall prevail and be binding upon this Post as though written herein.

These Bylaws as amended were adopted subject to the review of the Commander-in-Chief and the Commander of the Department of North Carolina Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States on this 3rd day of March, 2025, at a regular meeting of this Post in the town of Kill Devil Hills and County of Dare, State of North Carolina.

Outer Banks Post No. 10950
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

Attested By:  Kevin Ryan
Commander

Attested By:  Justin O'Sullivan
Adjutant

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