

# **VFW Post 5390 Social Club Membership Guidelines**

## **1. Code of Conduct**

All Social Club members must treat fellow members, veterans, staff, and guests with respect and courtesy at all times. Harassment, discrimination, threats, or disorderly conduct will not be tolerated. Members are expected to follow all posted rules, including those related to the bar, events, and building use.

## **2. Access and Privileges**

Social Club members have access to the canteen/bar area during posted hours and may attend social events specifically designated as open to Social Club members. Access to Post meetings, administrative areas, or member-only functions is not permitted. Members receive the following benefits:

- \$8 bar credit (issued upon initial registration)
- 10% discount on hall rentals
- Eligibility for Social Club events and activities

## **3. Membership Limitations and Background Requirements**

Social Club members are non-voting members and may not participate in official VFW or VFW Auxiliary business or elections. Social membership does not grant eligibility for elected or appointed roles within the VFW or Auxiliary organizations. Applicants must demonstrate a genuine interest in supporting the mission of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, including creating a respectful, inclusive, and veteran-friendly atmosphere. Applicants must not have a criminal history involving violence, theft, or any offense that conflicts with the values of the VFW. The Post reserves the right to request additional information or conduct a background check at its discretion. The Post also reserves the right to limit the number of Social Club members or pause new membership at any time.

## **4. Compliance with Laws and Regulations**

All members must adhere to local, state, and federal laws, including regulations concerning alcohol consumption (21+ for purchase and consumption). Misuse of membership privileges, illegal behavior, or actions that reflect poorly on the Post may result in immediate suspension or termination of membership.

## **5. Membership Review and Revocation**

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Membership is subject to review by Post leadership and may be revoked at any time for:

- Violating these guidelines
- Disruptive or unsafe behavior
- Involvement in any activity that goes against the values or mission of the VFW

The decision of Post leadership in such matters is final.

### **6. Encouragement Toward Full Membership**

Individuals who are eligible for VFW or VFW Auxiliary membership are encouraged to pursue full membership to enjoy additional privileges and support the organization more directly.