

## MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

All male descendants, adopted sons, and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in service during the period of April 6, 1917, through November 11, 1918, or any time from December 7, 1941, to date, who served honorably, as set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for membership in the Sons of The American Legion (SAL).

## THE EMBLEM

The design of our emblem was taken from the emblem of our parent organization, but is oval in shape so as to be easily distinguished.



The star in the center represents our country, and the five points of the star represent the five-point program of the SAL.

The sun in the background represents the SAL and the rays represent the loyalty of its membership.

The blue of the emblem, like the blue of our flag, stands for justice.

The two stars in the blue border stand for freedom and democracy.

The wreath below the star is in memory of our comrades, and those of our forefathers who willingly gave their lives for their country.

The 10 points of the emblem represent the 10 ideals of every American Legion son.

## TEN IDEALS

The Ten Ideals Program is a study program recommended for school-age children which includes subjects in:

PATRIOTISM	FAITH
HEALTH	HELPFULNESS
KNOWLEDGE	COURTESY
TRAINING	REVERENCE
HONOR	COMRADESHIP

## FIVE-POINT PROGRAM OF SERVICE

This is the study program for those members who have completed the Ten Ideals. This is recommended for younger members but is not limited to just them. This program includes:

**PATRIOTISM:** Love of the flag; love of country.

**CITIZENSHIP:** Individual obligation of citizenship.

**DISCIPLINE:** Respect for and obedience to rules.

**LEADERSHIP:** Participation in group activities.

**LEGIONISM:** Knowledge of The American Legion.



The Five-Star Award, which can be presented to SAL members who show perfection in the Five Point Program of Service, is a gold plated medal bearing the SAL emblem and the symbolism of the five points.

## UNIFORM

The basic uniform of the SAL is the squadron blue cap. Dress attire is determined by the activity and by the SAL leadership conducting the event or function. Optional attire such as casual, business casual, coat and tie is determined by the squadron, district and detachment.

Uniform caps are available through the National Emblem Sales Division of The American Legion. Also available are jackets, shirts and other items for purchase. For a catalog write to: National Emblem Sales, P.O. Box 1050, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

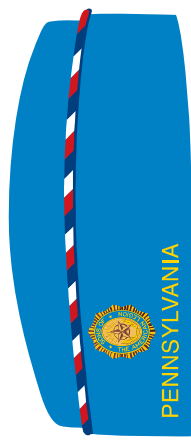
Or visit [emblem.legion.org](http://emblem.legion.org).

### SAL Uniform Cap

All caps have red, white and blue piping. Caps include state and squadron number. All additional lettering is \$1 per character. District and detachment orders must be routed through American Legion department headquarters for approval. Special state insignia is available at extra charge.

### Squadron (French Blue)

(See National Emblem Sales catalog)



Cap: Standard SAL in the following colors:

**Squadron:** French blue with red, white and blue piping.

**District:** French blue base, white top, piping same as squadron cap.

**Detachment:** French blue base, gold top, piping same as squadron cap.

**National:** Solid gold, piping same as squadron cap.