

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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Resolution No. 8: Applicability of Resolution No. 28 Titled “Citizenship, Residency, Or Visitor Status For Youth Participation In American Legion Youth Programs at the National Level”

Origin: Americanism Commission

Submitted by: Americanism Commission

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 28 approved by the National Executive Committee at its 2018 Spring Meetings mandates that all youth participating in national-level youth programs of the organization must be a legal United States citizen, or possess legal residency or visitor status to be in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 28 provides guidance as to official documents which may be accepted as proof of legal status; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 28 establishes that proof of legal citizenship, residency or visitor status is required from all potential youth participants prior to their acceptance for participation in a national-level youth program of the organization; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 28 further establishes that potential participants will be denied participation in national-level youth programs of the organization if they do not comply with providing proof of legal citizenship, residency or visitor status in the United States, or who are not a legal citizen, resident or visitor in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The national organization wishes to ensure full clarity regarding the applicability of Resolution No. 28 of the National Executive Committee, Spring 2018; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled virtually on May 5-6, 2021, That Resolution No. 28 approved by the National Executive Committee of The American Legion at its 2018 Spring Meetings titled “Citizenship, Residency, Or Visitor Status For Youth Participation In American Legion Youth Programs At The National Level” is intended solely for ensuring that youth participants of American Legion youth programs at the national level are adhering to the law by being in the United States in a legal status prior to their participation, and is not intended to supersede or replace any official rules which are specifically established for operating or conducting a youth program of The American Legion at the national level.