

United States Power Squadrons

District 27

Standing Rules

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1. The Standing Rules

The Standing Rules for District 27, USPS, are as provided in these resolutions. The Standing Rules shall not duplicate matters provided for in USPS Bylaws and Rules, or in the District 27 Bylaws. Rules shall be stated in only one place. Cross-references will be made as appropriate.

2. District Assessments for Life Members

Life members of the United States Power Squadrons are not included in District 27 assessments of squadrons.

3. Honoring Deceased Members

District 27 honors its deceased members with a memorial service conducted by the Chaplain at the beginning of District Conferences, and by an annual donation in the amount of \$100 to the USPS Educational Fund.

4. District Commander's Plaque

At the end of his or her term the District Commander shall be awarded an appropriately engraved plaque, or at the Commander's option, some other award of equivalent value.

5. Officer Reimbursement

District 27 shall annually budget and may expend an allowance for each Bridge Officer for reimbursement of expenses (including, but not limited to, lodging, travel and meals) related to the performance of the officer's duties. Reimbursement from USPS or other sources must be applied prior to District funds.

6. Hosting of District Meetings; Activity Fund; Budgeting

- 6.1. A squadron or squadrons will be requested to host District Council and Conference meetings and the District Rendezvous. The host squadron or squadrons will be responsible for planning the meeting (other than business sessions), registration and all functions of the meeting under the direction of the District Meetings Chairman and the District Commander.

- 6.2. Charges and fees for attendees will be designed to cover event expenses.
- 6.3. A report of expenses and income will be furnished to the District Treasurer.
- 6.4. Squadrons may be reimbursed expenses in excess of event income. Income in excess of expenses shall be remitted to the District Treasurer.
- 6.5. A District activity fund shall be included in the District's annual budget, for the purpose of advances and reimbursements to squadrons that host District events.

7. Reimbursement of Expenses of USPS Chief Commander's Representative to Conferences

To the extent not paid by USPS, District 27 shall pay the cost of room and social events for the Representative of the Chief Commander attending a District Conference. Appropriate expressions of appreciation will be provided at District 27 expense.

8. District Awards

- 8.1 Approved District Awards are as described in Standing Rules, Appendix A, D27 Awards.
- 8.2 The Planning Committee shall review the criteria of any additional District Award and make a recommendation to the Conference for its approval, disapproval or modification, or for any other action relating to the award. No District Award shall be given unless adopted by the Conference as a part of the approved awards listed in Standing Rules, Appendix A, D27 Awards, and in that format.

9. District 27 Procedures Manual

There shall be a District 27 Procedures Manual reflecting district procedures not mandated by USPS or by district bylaws or resolutions. The manual shall be promulgated and approved by the Commander and maintained and published by the Secretary. The Rules Committee shall assist in keeping the manual updated. The Manual shall be limited to procedures, shall not contain policies, and shall not duplicate matters provided for in USPS Bylaws and Rules, in the District 27 Bylaws or these Standing Rules. Cross-references to rules and bylaws will be made as appropriate.