

American Legion Meetings & Etiquette For Riders

Whether you are attending an American Legion or Sons of American Legion Meeting, DEC Meetings, etc, there are proper protocols that must be observed:

- 1) No ball caps, skullcaps, or ALR berets. The only authorized hats are the official American Legion or SAL uniform caps.
 - a. If you are attending an event where the official AL or SAL uniform cap is required and you don't have one, you can order one from Flag and Emblem (link is on Home Page of TexasALR.ORG, or on the menu at the top of the website page).
- 2) Kutties: While wear of Kutties, which is highly regarded as a uniform item to ALR riders, is not prohibited from wear during the meetings, your Chapter should discuss it with the Post Commander. Some Posts & ALR's have a good relationship and wear their Kutties during meetings, while other Posts do not want them worn during the meeting. Whatever is decided by the Post Commander, follow that direction.
- 3) If for whatever reason, your ALR Chapter cannot attend a Post Meeting to present the monthly ALR report, coordinate with your Post Commander on how they wish for you to give them your report ahead of time (in person, email, etc.).
- 4) After the posting of the colors: when entering the meeting room (even if you step out to use the bathroom and return), ensure you stop at the door upon entering, render salute to the Flag, then continue to your seat.
- 5) If needing to give something to the Commander during the meeting, do not break the flag line in front of the desk the Commander is sitting at. Instead pass the item via the left or right side of the desk but never thru the flag line (the space between the American Flag and the Legion Flag).
 - a. NOTE: This is observed only in Texas and not all posts observe this tradition. Refer to your Post's protocol during meetings.