## **Voluntary Post Charter Cancellation/ Merge Guidelines**

## **Post Charter Cancellation or Merger Procedure:**

- 1. A Letter from the Post stating that the membership would like to <u>VOLUNTARILY</u> Give up their Charter or to merge with another Post, <u>sent to the District Commander.</u>
  - A. The Post should explain that a meeting was held or all the members were contacted and all agreed. A copy of the minutes would be very helpful if a meeting is held.
- 2. A letter from the District Commander, with his recommendation with the Department Post Development/Revitalization Team Post Charter Cancellation Checklist, should then be forwarded to Department HQ.
  - If there is not a letter from the Post, due to extenuating circumstances, this should be explained in the District Commanders letter.

**Note:** The Commander can write his recommendation on the bottom of the Post letter.

- 3. If the Post has chosen to Merge with another Post, a letter of acceptance, from the accepting Post is necessary to send to National.
- 4. <u>All Members (Including PUFL's) must be transferred from the post **BEFORE** the Charter cancellation or merger can be voted on at the Department executive Committee.</u>
- 5. The Department Post Development /Revitalization Team Post Charter Cancellation Checklist is attached to these Guidelines. It must be sent in with all paperwork from Post and District before action can be taken.
- 6. Once the completed paperwork is received at Department Headquarters it will be sent to the next DEC for action and then forwarded to National to be considered at the NEC.

**Note:** All Post property and financial assets must be dissolved before any official action can be taken.

Rifles must be disposed of properly, not returned to Department.

Department:	Missouri	
Post #	Date	



## Department Post Development/Revitalization Team Post Charter Cancellation Check List

(One Check List per post to be completed/submitted)  Area and District Post Development/Revitalization Teams are requested to take the following steps prior to forwarding a request to the DEC for a Post Charter cancellation. Please submit the completed form to:		
Steps/Actions: (not in any particular or chronological order)		
Note: Please provide information regarding the questions, actions, or comments in the space provided. If additional space is necessary please attach the required information to this form.		
<ol> <li>Determine the veteran population in the community and surrounding area of the Post.</li> </ol>		
2. Contact the remaining members and Post Officers to determine if the Post is receptive of new membership and leadership mentoring.		
3. Contact Department Headquarters for a list of active and expired Headquarters Post members in the zip code of the proposed Post Charter cancellation. Use these names for contacts for membership.		
4. Does the Post hold scheduled monthly meetings? If not, when was the last meeting held and what was the purpose of the meeting?		
5. Determine if the Posts' Membership is aware of the request for charter cancellation.		
6. Determine programs and services the Post might provide for the community and the veterans of the community.		
7. Is there a school, county seat, prison, or veteran's center in the area? If yes, what programs and services has the Post provided for them? If none, was there a time when the Post did provide activities and services? Please explain:		

8. Is the communities population g	rowing or declining? How so?
9. Has the Post been made aware o Development/Revitalization Tea	of the help they can receive from the Post nm?
	talization Team contacted veterans in the area and rters Post membership for their input and assistance Post?
11. Do they have a Post home or me	reting place?
upon their research and the commu Charter a new post for the area or conceasing newly chartered post. (D) Recommo follow. (E) Merge the membership i NEC has accepted the Departments	on Team is recommending the following action based unities input. (A) Revitalize the existing post. (B) community. (C) Merge the existing membership with a end cancellation of the post charter with no action to into an area post or the Headquarters Post, after the request for Post cancellation.
Department Team (); Area Team	eam member responsible for doing the evaluation: (); District Team ()
Contact Name: Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Telephone Number:	
List Team Members & Phone numbe	ers: PLEASE PRINT.
We certify that the actions above ha	ave been completed:
Department Commander	Department Adjutant