

To join the American Legion, you must have served honorably on active federal service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard during any of these periods of conflict:

- April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918 (World War I)
- December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946 (World War II—includes certain Merchant Marine service)
- June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955 (Korean War)
- February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975 (Vietnam War)
- August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984 (Lebanon/Grenada)
- December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990 (Operation Just Cause—Panama)
- August 2, 1990 to today (Operation Desert Shield/Storm/War on Terrorism)

A copy of your DD214 or other discharge paperwork showing dates and character of service is required at application.