

# Navy League Announces Active-Duty Military Now Eligible for Membership



Marines hike to the next training location during Exercise Baccarat in Aveyron, Occitanie, France, Oct.16. *U.S. MARINE CORPS / Lance Cpl. Jennifer Reyes*

ARLINGTON, Va. – The Navy League of the United States announced Dec. 2 it has opened membership to active-duty service personnel from every branch of the military to join the organization as individual members.

The Navy League is a nonprofit civilian, educational and advocacy organization that supports America's sea services: the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and U.S.-flag Merchant Marine.

This historical change in the Navy League's bylaws, passed by its board of directors, has shifted its membership from an

all-civilian organization to a joint civilian and active-duty organization. The Navy League currently has 30,000 members in 200 councils around the globe.

“This important shift in our membership eligibility will lend to greater diversity and gravitas to the Navy League’s mission of education, advocacy and support to our sea services and its members.” said Navy League National President Dave Reilly. “This change also provides an important growth opportunity for the Navy League as we continue to expand our membership and the Navy League’s impact on our sea services.”

Navy League councils, located primarily in the United States but also around the world, offer service members important ties to their community and a direct way to continue to serve the country once they transition out of service.

Navy League member benefits include transition assistance, members-only discounts, council membership and a subscription to *Seapower* magazine. Active-duty sea service members’ children and grandchildren are also eligible to apply for a Navy League Foundation scholarship to aid in college tuition.

Members can choose to join for one-, two-, three-, four- or five-year periods or can opt to join as a lifetime member. More information on active-duty membership, including an application, can be found on <https://www.navyleague.org/become-a-member/active-duty-membership>.