



National Guard Association of South Dakota NGASD



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MEMORANDUM FOR All Commissioned Officers and Warrant Officers of the SDNG

SUBJECT: 2020 Dues for National Guard Associations of the United States and South Dakota

- In accordance with the resolution adopted by the National Guard Association of South Dakota, all commissioned officers and warrant officers of the South Dakota Army and Air National Guard are encouraged to become members of both the National and State Officer Associations.
- Collection of the 2020 dues begins on the effective date of this letter. The NGAUS “Early Bird” rebate for 2020 will be for any dues collected and turned in to NGAUS prior to 31 March 2020. Funds collected and turned in to NGAUS prior to this date will result in a financial benefit to our state organization. As such, dues collection is encouraged as early as possible into this fiscal year. However, we will continue to collect dues through 31 December 2020. Please note our total paid membership as of 30 June 2020 is used to determine delegate seating at the National Convention.
- ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:** Annual members are those officers and warrant officers who pay their dues on an annual basis. The 2020 annual dues for the National Association are now based on a flat rate by grade (Company, Field, and Flag). The 2020 annual dues for the State Association are based upon 20% of one day’s pay, based on the 2006 pay schedule and an established number of years in service by rank. The 2020 Annual Dues schedule is as follows:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>TOTAL DUES</u>	<u>YEARS SERVICE</u>
Major General	\$ 130.00	\$ 76.00	\$ 206.00	26
Brigadier General	\$ 130.00	\$ 67.00	\$ 197.00	26
Colonel	\$ 80.00	\$ 59.00	\$ 139.00	26
Lieutenant Colonel	\$ 80.00	\$ 47.00	\$ 127.00	20
Major	\$ 80.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 120.00	16
Captain	\$ 40.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 73.00	10
First Lieutenant	\$ 40.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 64.00	3
Second Lieutenant	\$ 40.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 56.00	<2
Chief Warrant CW5	\$ 80.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 121.00	24
Chief Warrant CW4	\$ 80.00	\$ 34.00	\$ 114.00	18
Chief Warrant CW3	\$ 80.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 106.00	10
Chief Warrant CW2	\$ 40.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 60.00	4
Warrant Officer W01	\$ 40.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 56.00	<2

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4. LIFE MEMBERSHIP - National Association (NGAUS)

a. Active Life Membership - \$1000.00. Payment may be paid in a one-lump sum, bi-annual payments of \$250 installments within two years, or quarterly payments of \$250.00 in a year.

b. Retired Life Membership - \$ 125.00. The retired life membership is available to all formerly federally recognized officers and warrant officers of the Army or Air National Guard. Life membership includes a lifetime subscription to the monthly “National Guardsman” magazine.

5. COMPLIMENTARY - National Association (NGAUS) and State Association (NGASD)

Membership will be offered to all commissioned officers and warrant officers for a period of one full year and any portion remaining of the membership year in which appointed. Membership begins upon initial state appointment, when reported to the Association and ends 31 December of the following year.

Example: If an officer accesses into the SDARNG on 30 December 2019 his or her first complimentary year is 2020 and second complimentary year is 2021 and will make their first payment January 2022.

6. LIFE MEMBERSHIP - State Association (NGASD)

a. Active Life Membership. Any Active Member of the National Guard Association of South Dakota may purchase an Active Life Membership in the NGASD. The cost for the Active Life Membership will be the lesser amount but not less than \$50.00, arrived at through one of the following two scenarios:

$$\frac{\text{years to age below}}{\text{(Off-53 WO-60)}} \times \frac{\text{dues at current rank}}{\text{dues at current rank}} + \$10.00 = \frac{\text{amount of Active Life Membership}}{\text{amount of Active Life Membership}}$$

Or \$320 (maximum) which are dues of a 2LT (\$16) X 20 Years = \$320

(Revised 27 April 2006, Sioux Falls, South Dakota effective 1 January 2007)

b. Retired Life Membership - \$ 125.00. Available to all formerly federally recognized commissioned officers and warrant officers of the Army or Air National Guard.

7. Payment - All Dues (Annual and Life) will be paid online at <http://ngasd.org>. Click on the white membership tab and select “pay online”. This will take you to the pay online page where you will see a detailed list of dues per rank. Select your rank to select state and national in order to pay in full. If you are a life member of either only state or national, you have the option to select the option of which you are not a life member. (The website is currently being updated to reflect national membership changes as well as adding state and life membership options)

JFHQ	Kenn Kerfont
SDANG	Josh Nelson
196th RTI	Allen Godsell
109th RSG	Jerime Porter
196th MEB	Chad Wika

8. Active membership is the lifeblood of our associations. As described by NGAUS, the strength of the association for the last 140 years has been its united membership. As the voice of the National Guard on

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Capitol Hill, NGAUS provides a path by which National Guard officers can elevate their local concerns to a national and influential audience in Washington, D.C. Association members provide the backbone and guidance NGAUS needs as it ensures the National Guard receives the best and latest equipment; maintains readiness through comprehensive personnel initiatives; receives proper missions as part of the total force; and fights for equitable retirement programs that give Guardsmen the support they have earned.

9. The goal this year is to attain 100% annual membership. Securing the membership of every commissioned officer and warrant officer is vital to the successful attainment of our goal. In 2019, South Dakota attained an excess of 100% overall membership for the 20th consecutive year. I am very confident we will keep this impressive streak alive in 2020!

10. POC for this memorandum is Terry Henrie, Membership Chairman, National Guard Association of South Dakota, (605) 441-4730.

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President, NGASD