

Membership Application



The New Acquisition Militia Educational Association, Inc. (NAM) is a not for profit club registered with the State of South Carolina whose mission is to educate and inform the general public about the Revolutionary War era in the South Carolina Upcountry. The NAM fulfills its mission by supporting national, state, regional, and local parks living history programs in the Carolinas. NAM members also participate in educational outreach programs at schools and civic organizations.

Student Participation: (\$10 annual dues) Students up to age 21 may pay a reduced rate of \$10 per year. Non-adult members under the age of 16 may not participate in any historic weapons demonstration programs or battle reenactments. NAM student members interpret mid to late 18th century life in Colonial America with special emphasis on military history and the collective customs and life experiences of the South Carolina militia. Student members participate in weekend programs re-enacting camp life and educational programs and those 16 and over may participate in some Revolutionary War era battle re-enactments (pending age requirements of the historic site). Student members also take part in parades, ceremonial events, and school programs.

Member Participation: (\$25 annual dues) NAM members interpret mid to late 18th century life in Colonial America with special emphasis on military history and the collective customs and life experiences of the South Carolina militia. Members participate in weekend programs re-enacting camp life and educational programs and some Revolutionary War era battle re-enactments. Members also take part in parades, ceremonial events, and school programs.

Family Participation: (\$40 annual dues) The NAM encourages family participation. It was common for both professional armies and militia units to have "distaff" or camp followers attached to them who were family. "Living History" is a family oriented hobby. Spouses, children and significant others are encouraged to take part by representing their 18th century counterparts. Clothing, accoutrements and patterns for civilians, which observe the same standards as militia soldiers are available through the same sutlers that supply period military equipment. All persons participating in black powder historic weapons firing demonstrations or battle scenarios MUST be a minimum of 16 years of age.

Clothing, Accoutrements, and Historic Weapons: The militia did not wear uniforms. They were "citizen soldiers" who brought their own clothing, weapons, and other accoutrements. Members acquire their own clothing (e.g. – breeches, waistcoats, shirts, great coats, hats, shoes), accoutrements, (e.g. – haversacks, cartridge boxes, canteens, shot bags), weapons (e.g. – reproduction muskets, rifles, tomahawk, knives, dirks), and period tent or shelter.

Application, Orientation, Membership:

The first step toward membership is completion of this application.

Upon application review, participating in a minimum of three (3) group educational events documented within the membership year (July 1 – June 30) is required. Our educational events provide opportunity for new and seasoned recruits to observe the varied environments in which our members participate, the portrayal and persona of the 18th Century South Carolina upcountry militia we try to recreate, and the clothing, weapons, and accoutrements used. At the discretion of the Board of Directors, the participation provision above may be waived or modified.

A complete kit for a militia persona (e.g. – clothing, accoutrements, and weapons) can easily cost over \$1,000 and this is why the NAM encourages new or prospective members to start with the clothing essentials first.

Clothing guidelines for men are found at newacquisitionmilitia.com/men-clothing/ and for women at newacquisitionmilitia.com/women-clothing/ . It is highly recommended that applicants consult longstanding members of the organization and the resources listed at newacquisitionmilitia.com/resources/ prior to participation in educational events. Membership qualifications are outlined in "Article 12. Members" of the corporation by-laws accessible at newacquisitionmilitia.com/by-laws/ .

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Joining the NAM

The New Acquisition Militia Educational Association Inc., is a not for profit club that does not discriminate against prospective members. Membership qualifications are outlined in "Article 12. Members" of the by-laws accessible at newacquisitionmilitia.com/by-laws/ .

Complete this application in full, sign, and either bring it to one of our events or mail the completed form to:

**New Acquisition Militia Educational Association, Inc.
PO Box 38218
Rock Hill, NC 29732**

Applicant Information

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Previous Reenacting Experience Yes / No (Circle One)	If Yes provide Organization Name and Contact Information here:

Skills or Qualifications

Skills or qualifications which you believe would enhance our organizations mission.

Family and/or Significant Other Applicants:

List names of family and /or significant others applying for membership.

Person to Notify in Case of Emergency

Name	
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Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
E-Mail Address	

Membership Application – New Acquisition Militia (NAM) - Agreement and Signature

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete.

Please note:

By applying for membership of the New Acquisition Militia Educational Association, Inc., (hereafter referred to as 'the NAM'), you agree to act in accordance with the by-laws and the following:

1. I have been warned that battle re-enactments and black powder historic weapons demonstration programs can be dangerous. By applying for membership, and as a member, I agree to participate in these activities at my own risk and that I will not hold 'the NAM' organization or its members liable for injury or death due to accident.
2. When representing 'the NAM' I must act in a safe and responsible manner at all times. As a member I must avoid behaving in a manner that may cause loss, offence or injury to the site we are serving, general public, other members, myself, or others that may bring 'the NAM' into disrepute.
3. 'The NAM' is insured against third party claims only. We as participants are on our own 'hook'.
4. All prospective, presently active, and inactive members of 'the NAM' under the age of 18 are not adults and are under the responsibility of their parents.
5. All non-adult members must be accompanied at events by a parent or legal guardian, who will be responsible for the actions and behavior of the non-adult member at all times.
6. Non-adult members under the age of 16 may not participate in any historic weapons demonstration programs or battle reenactments.
7. I acknowledge that completion of this application does not mean acceptance or membership in "the NAM".
8. 'The NAM' reserves the right to revoke membership based on the provision outlined in "Article 12. Members. Section 9. Termination of Membership" of the by-laws (see, newacquisitionmilitia.com/by-laws/)
9. In completing this form, you are agreeing that your image may be used by 'the NAM' for publicity purposes.
10. Membership fees are: Students (up to age 21) - \$10, Individual - \$25.00, Family - \$40.00. The membership year begins on July 1 and runs through June 30. Dues are to be paid by December 31.

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	

***There is no Application fee.
DO NOT include membership dues with this application.***