



NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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The National Guard Association of South Carolina (NGASC) was formed to promote the welfare of our National Guard personnel. We are here to represent YOU and your family!

The NGASC continues to represent all of South Carolina's Army and Air National Guard members, actively drilling and retired. SC now exempts military retiree pay from taxation!! We are still working to protect your drill pay from being taxed and requesting money to refurbish and repair armories. We offer supplemental insurances, including a free \$1,000 death benefit, for actively drilling members, and the South Carolina College Assistance Program and College Scholarships.

Current Priorities that are important to YOU:

- TRICARE for all our Troops – This will authorize ALL National Guard and Reserve members access to Tricare Reserve Select, including members in Technician status.
- The Major Richard Star Act – Medically Retired Veterans will be approved to collect both their Retirement Pay and their VA disability pay, regardless of time in service.
- Affordable Health Care for Gray Area troops - Provides the same health care coverage to retirees that qualify for the gray area early age retirement.
- Increasing federal military leave from 15 to 30 days.
- Expanding the post-9/11 GI Bill so Guardsmen receive the same GI Bill benefits as the Active Component
- Provide funding for mental health programs specifically tailored to the Reserve Components – including the National Guard Preventative Mental Health Program

The best financial option for membership are the lifetime memberships!

- NGASC lifetime \$100 vs. \$200 Annual (20 years and 20 years retired)
- EANGUS lifetime \$110 vs. \$440 Annual (20 years and 20 years retired)
- NGAUS Active lifetime \$1000 or Digital lifetime \$500 vs. \$1360 Annual (20 years, promoted every 2 years and retire at O-6) **This does not include a membership after retirement
 - \$1485 for an Annual for 20 years then purchase Retired Lifetime at \$125 (assuming the cost does not increase)

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