



VERMONT FRENCH-CANADIAN
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

CIVIL WAR PIN PROGRAM

Program Rules

1. This program is intended for Civil War (CW) descendants to become aware of, appreciate, and experience pride in their ancestor's historical participation.
2. Participation is for those who are able to trace a direct blood-line to someone who served in the Civil War. All who served in the Civil War are eligible to participate in this program.
3. The VT-FCGS Civil War Pin Program begins on October 19, 2013.
4. **A \$6.00 application fee** (includes 1 pin) must be submitted along with a completed Civil War Chart. The Chart must show the applicant's connection to a CW Participant (Veteran, Nurse, Spy, etc.) and must be accompanied by proof of the CW participant's* involvement (a copy of information found on an online database or from a local war registry publication). The application, how-to and blank chart template are available at http://www.vt-fcgs.org/new_Project_Programs.html for you to print out and complete.

Add \$5.00 if the pin has to be mailed (anywhere in the USA).

5. Upon receipt of the application and fee, one 1 ½" x ½" specially designed pin will be awarded to each successful applicant. Additional pins can be purchased for \$6.00 each.
6. The Application, Civil War Chart and proof of participation* in the Civil War should be brought to the VT-FCGS library in Colchester, VT or mailed to VT-FCGS, Civil War Pin Program, P. O. Box 65128, Burlington, VT 05406-5128. *Printed page from any registry, in book form or online image.



While only 1 proven chart is required for this program, you can submit as many charts as you like.

7. Civil War Charts will be stored in a 3-ring binder and available for viewing at the VT-FCGS library.

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Application Form If Member please write in your Member# _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Town/City/State _____

Zip Code _____ E-mail address _____

**Please include check made out to VT-FCGS or cash with
Civil War Pin Program application, chart & proof of participation***



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How-To Complete the Chart Instructions

1. In order to qualify for this program, you must have a blood connection to the Civil War Participant.
2. Remember that you don't need to be a direct descendant of the Civil War Participant but you do need to be related to them via a "Common Ancestor". Most likely your connection will be through a Father, Grandfather, or siblings or cousins.
3. A chart template is available at http://www.vt-fcgs.org/new_Project_Programs.html . For examples please see the included charts found at the link.
4. To find written proof of your CW participant's service you can look at some of these resources:
 - United States 1890 Census of Union Veterans and Widows of the Civil War Found on www.familysearch.org and www.ancestry.com
 - Civil War Pension Cards index listing
 - Civil War Pension papers
 - Photo of Gravesite Markers
 - National Park Civil War Soldiers/Sailors website: www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-soldiers.htm
 - National Archives and Records Administration: www.archives.gov/research/military/civil-war
 - Any States Adjutant General's publications
 - Local Vermont Civil War website: www.Vermontcivilwar.org
 - American Civil War Research Database: www.acwancestor.org
 - New York State Archives www.archives.nysed.gov
 - Civil War Rosters New Hampshire Links: <http://civilwarroster.com/cw/cw-nh.html>
 - Civil War Rosters Maine Links: <http://civilwarroster.com/cw/cw-nh.html>