Nominees for the Sons of The American Legion “Squadron Commander of the Year” Award must meet the following criteria:

- Be a member in good standing (current membership year dues paid)
- Hold *only* the office of Squadron Commander at the time of nomination at any level within the Sons of The American Legion
- Demonstrate leadership through action and involvement in squadron activities that benefit his community
- Must obtain 100% squadron membership or better by March 15th (American Legion Birthday)
- Nominations must be submitted by the Detachment Adjutant and received at National Headquarters by the opening of the Spring National Executive Committee Meeting
- A Detachment may submit only one nomination for consideration