

## **Rules of the road for KDB**

### **1. Obey all traffic signals.**

2. Do not mix alcohol or drugs with motorcycle riding at anytime...but, especially when riding in a group.

3. No attitudes while with the group. Use common sense, and respect other riders.

4. Riding will be in a standard staggered formation unless the "Ride Captain" calls for single file. In staggered formation, the bikes form two columns, with the leader riding on the left side of the lane. The second rider will fall into the right side of the lane approximately 1 second behind the leader. The third rider will take the position 2 seconds directly behind the leader, which puts them 1 second behind the rider in front of them on the right side of the lane. The rest will follow as such, however only if weather and road conditions permit. Narrow roads or parking require single file riding. This will be signaled by either the leader of the group or the No. 2 Road Captain.

(1 second = 1 bike length, 2 seconds = 2 bikes length, see page 2).

5. Do not hold up traffic or block roads. (Only road captain can block intersection or advise a rider to do so). The blockers will come from the front of the group and join the back of the group in front of the rear road sweepers, after the block

6. The group should continue through a red light only if blockers have the intersection secured.

7. Only the front leader will call for lane changes – Sweeper will secure the lane, and then the members of the club will switch from front to back. **No one will move until the bike in front of them has moved and only after checking for a clear lane with a shoulder look.**

A. Lane change to left – Leader signals lane change, sweeper secures lane. Leader changes lane. Left rider (No. 3) moves first to the left, and then the right rider (No. 2) will move.

B. Lane change to right - Leader signals lane change and moves to front on right side of the same lane, sweeper secures lane. Leader changes lane. Right rider (No. 2) is the first to move to the right lane and then the left rider (No. 3) will move.

8. Only the leader or No. 2 will be allowed to start hand signals.

9. The leader of the group will not exceed the speed limit by more **than 10 miles an hour** above the posted limit.

10. The leader of the group or one of the road captains will do a briefing before any ride and a debriefing if needed in the middle of the ride.

11. Number one in the group will be the leader, Number 2 and the sweepers will be road captains or will be appointed by a road captain.

12. Hand signals that will be used... (Look page 2). Passing them to the back is the key.

13. No rider with less than 1000 miles experience in the past year will be able to ride with the group. )

14. No bike under 600cc will be allowed to ride with the group.

15. It is highly suggested that all riders use safety gear, such as: DOT/Snell certified helmets, long sleeves shirts and pants, gloves, eye protection, riding boots and leather, if weather permits. First aid kit, rain gear and tools are great additional items to have on the bike.

16. Any rider that needs to leave the group must advise a road captain before leaving the group.

17. Bikes with loud pipes will stay on the right side of the lane.

18. In case of a breakdown, the rider will pull to the right shoulder and the rear road captain will assist and stay with the broken bike. (Only if there are 2 Sweepers)

19. All inexperienced riders will stay in the middle or back, so they can observe procedures and hand signal. Experienced riders, not riders with egos, should stay in the front of the group.

20. All riders must have a "Sunpass" or pair with a rider that has one before the ride.

21. Tolls = Road captain will signal for single file. All riders will use the same toll lane. Regroup to staggered formation after the toll.

22. The club will wait for riders who are delayed by signals or traffic at the first safe place to stop.

23. All riders must stay on their side of the lane and do not move into the other side of the lane.

24. Riders that plan to leave the group in the middle of the ride will stay in the back.

- 25. When the back of the group is delayed, the first rider of the delayed group will become the leader until they meet the main group. Drive safely and obey speed limits and traffic signals. Do not rush to catch-up with the main group.
- 26. Every rider must have a cell phone and the phone number of the road captain.
- 27. Every rider must have the address of the final destination.
- 28. Motorcycles with sidecars (and trikes) will ride at the rear of the group.
- 29. If a rider leaves the group, all riders behind him in this lane will move forward to fill the space.
- 30. Come to the ride with empty bladder and full tank.
- 31. CB radio is highly recommended for RC in front and rear communication.
- 32. All rides END at the destination. Groups may return together or not.
- 33. Be proud to ride with the KDB. **Always wear a KDB t-shirt on the group ride.**

**Basic Hand Signals :**

**When a lane change is signaled, do not move until the rider in front of you does.**

**Also use your signal light.**

**Right turn/right lane change :**

Arm extended to the left as an L Shape.



**Left turn/left lane change :**

Arm extended straight to the left, A little down, palm facing down.



**Slow down :**

Arm extended straight, palm facing down. Move up & down



**Single File :**

Arm and index finger extended straight up.



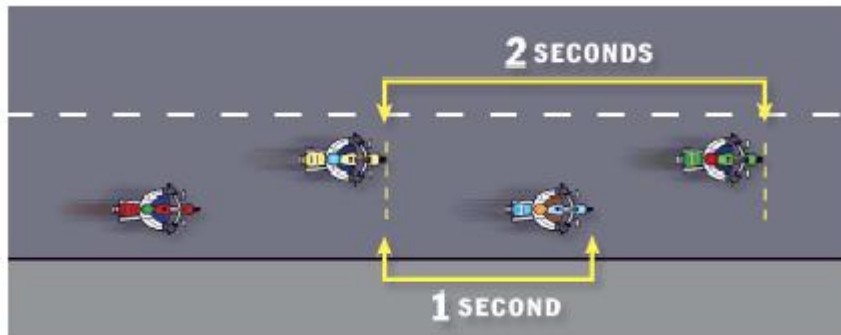
**Hazard Debris on the road :**

On the right, point with right foot; on the left, point with the left hand.



**Double File**

Arm with index finger and middle finger extended straight up.



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