



Rider Registration Form

12th Annual Honor Ride

Monday, May 30, 2022

American Legion Post #73 Boon, Neillsville, WI

Declaration of Participant Responsibility And Waiver of Liability

I have read this statement and my dated and voluntary signature below is intended to be a complete and unconditional release to the greatest extent of the law of all liability to The Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans Memorial Project, Inc. (also known as The Highground) or other promoters and participants of this event; whether caused by others or myself. I accept the fact that my participation in this event may involve risk and if at any time I feel anything to be unsafe, I will immediately take all necessary precautions to avoid the unsafe area and refuse to participate further in the event.

Printed Name, Street Address, E-mail Address & Phone Number:

Choose a Route: Neillsville Richland Center/Tomah Appleton/King-Waupaca
 Eau Claire Medford Wisconsin Rapids Reedsburg Minocqua

Rider Name

Passenger Name

Address

City

State

Zip

E-mail*

Phone #

**The Highground respects your privacy and will never share or sell your information.*

Rider Signature

Date

Passenger Signature

Date

Registration Paid (**CIRCLE ONE**): Rider: \$25.00 Rider/Passenger: \$45.00

Patch OR Rocker (with registration)

Check or Cash Check #: _____

Total \$ _____

Years on this ride? _____

Would you be willing to be a road guard? Y/N





Honor Ride & Ride to Remember® Safety Brief



We begin each ride with a ride briefing by the Road Captain who will explain where we're going, what our route will be, where we will take rest stops, and what our expected timeframes are. This is followed by a safety briefing. Here are the key points you'll be hearing:

1. Please make sure you start with a full tank of gas.
2. We always ride in staggered formation and never side by side. This provides additional room should one of us need to make an emergency maneuver. Side by side is okay when we come to a stop, but remember that the bike on the left always leaves first.
3. 1 second - 2 second rule. When in staggered formation, stay two seconds behind the bike directly in front of you (same side of the lane) and one second behind the bike in front of and across from you. If the weather conditions are poor – fog, rain, etc. increase the distance between each bike accordingly.
4. If a rider drops out, don't cross over to the other side of the lane to reset the stagger. Stay in your lane and move up to fill the opening if the rider who left was in front of you, or motion to the rider behind the opening to move up when it's safe to do so.
5. We use fairly standard hand signals for left and right turns, slowing down and stopping. We have others that you may not be familiar with and we'll go over all of these during the Safety Briefing.
6. Pass them Back! Remember that once you get a few bikes back from the Road Captain you can't see him, and he can't see you. Make sure you pass all the hand signals back.
7. If you are new to group riding, or a new rider overall, the best place for you is in front of the Tail Gunner. The further forward you are, the more "slinky effect" you will encounter as we change speeds.
8. **Trikes and bikes with sidecars will ride in the rear but forward of the Tailgunner, or may ride in a separate group.**
9. Remember, at 35 MPH you're traveling 50 feet per second - 3 car lengths.
10. Don't get complacent. It's sometimes easy to trust in the group and do a little sightseeing, knowing that the Road Captain will lead you to your destination. This is a serious danger! Riding in a group requires even MORE alertness than riding alone (if that's possible). YOU are not only still responsible for your own safety; you have obligations to those riding around you. Keeping this in mind, and knowing that the folks riding around you are doing the same.
11. Don't blindly follow lane changes, etc. without looking for yourself. If the group is going through a traffic light and it changes to yellow just in front of you, make the conservative choice. Keeping the group together is a distant second to keeping everyone safe.
 - 11a. Road Guards will be assigned to post at intersections, wearing HIVE vests and remaining in place until the last vehicle is through. If there enough Road Guards, they will leap frog intersections allowing the previous guard time to safely catch up.
12. If the group gets separated directly in front of you, and you aren't comfortable leading, call for single file and move to the right side of the lane. A designated Safety Officer will ride up the left side of the lane and take the lead.
13. If you do keep the lead, DO NOT race recklessly to catch up with the rest of the group. The Road Captain ahead will slow the group down slightly, so maintaining a safe, legal speed will close the gap soon enough. In the event of large gaps, the Road Captain will pull over and wait for the rest of us.
14. Finally, remember the importance of keeping your bike in top-notch condition. Properly inflated tires with good tread are one obvious maintenance issue, but don't forget to check your entire bike. Your owner's manual includes a section on the things you should check before every ride – if you haven't read it recently, it's a good idea to refresh your memory.