



US SPYDER RYDERS

Rock Hill/York Chapter



MISSION STATEMENT

The objective of the Rock Hill/York SC Chapter - US Spyder Ryders motorcycle riding club is to promote Can-Am Spyders and Ryker riding while focusing on having fun and at the same time supporting the local community as well as local charities. We accomplish this objective with positive interaction within our community while providing a safe and controlled environment for our members during all our functions. We pride ourselves in the involvement of many community and charitable events. Our Club's activities may include, but are not limited to, local and long-distance rides, socials, and participation in charitable rides or events.

BYLAWS

MEMBERSHIP

To become a full voting member, an individual must be a Spyder Owner, Ryker Owner or the spouse/partner (or riding partner) of an Owner and accept the Bylaws of the Club. Members are encouraged to participate in club-supported community service/riding events each year to be classified as active and in "good standing".

Professional and courteous behavior is expected from all members. This includes dealing with fellow members of the club or any affiliate of the club (i.e. sponsoring dealership, charity organizations, other clubs, etc.). Any member not acting in a professional or courteous manner will be subject to review by the Board for possible disciplinary action or membership termination.

MEMBERSHIP TYPES

Full Membership

An individual who completes the Membership Application and has ridden on at least one (1) Rock Hill/York SC Chapter "sanctioned" Club ride, will be considered a FULL Member. Full Members may participate in Club rides, serve as an Officer and on the Board and are also entitled to the perks of the Club (patches, mileage awards, dealer discounts, etc.)

Interim Membership

An individual who completes the Membership Application that has NOT ridden on any Rock Hill/York SC Chapter "sanctioned" Club rides, will be considered an INTERIM Member. Interim Members may participate in Club rides (and then will be converted to FULL membership status after participating in their first sanctioned ride). Interim Members do not receive the perks of the Club (patches, mileage awards, dealer discounts, etc.) until they become a Full Member.

Associate Membership

Associate Membership may be attained for those individuals who do not own a Can-Am Spyder or Ryker and are not the spouse or riding partner of a Spyder/Ryker rider but wish to be an active participant in the Club. Associate Members are sanctioned to the same Bylaws as all full members. Associate membership requires approval from the Board and must have a Sponsor who owns a Spyder or Ryker and is an active member of the US Spyder Ryders – Rock Hill/York SC Chapter in good standing.



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DUES

Currently there are no dues required to be a member of the US Spyder Ryders – Rock Hill/York SC Chapter. Annually the Board will review and determine if dues will be required for the following year. This is subject to change, but only at the approval of the Board. Any change to this policy will be communicated to the membership prior to the start of the new year.

WAIVER/INSURANCE

A member agrees to carry motorcycle insurance coverage to protect themselves, their passengers, and their vehicle, as well as anyone involved in an accident with them. In accordance with the signed Release of Liability Waiver, a member also agrees to hold harmless the club and all Board members from any accidents or injuries which occur to the member during club activities.

MEETINGS

The general membership will meet each January to elect officers/board members during the Annual Club Meeting. The Board may schedule meetings throughout the year, which may or may not coincide with a group ride. The Board of Directors will meet as needed to discuss and vote on any operating issues of the Club which require attention. Board meetings may be either in person or virtual. Should the Board deem it necessary, special meetings of the membership may be called. These types of meetings may be used to update the general membership on the operation of the Club and/or discuss any issues that would require membership input and/or a vote. Such an event ~~will need to~~ shall be posted on the club website and Facebook page a minimum of five days prior to the scheduled meeting. All meetings will be conducted using the manner of Robert's Rules of Order (current release).

Voting Rights

At the discretion of the Board of Directors, voting by proxy may be allowed, in which case the notice of meeting shall be posted no fewer than 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting. All active members in good standing, whether present at a meeting of the membership or represented by proxy (if allowed), shall be entitled to vote. All voting will be approved by a simple majority that is present whether voted on by the Board or the general membership depending on the meeting type. In the event of a tie vote, the President will cast the deciding vote.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

While riding and fellowship are a big aspect of the club, we will all commit to supporting our community and charitable causes that the membership or Board deem as club sponsored activities. The club will support a minimum of two (2) charitable organizations per year by participating in rallies, rides or other fund raising activities. Our primary charitable organization is the Road Warrior Foundation. There are rallies held across the US each year to raise money in support of the Road Warrior Foundation. Other charities will be determined by the Board on an annual basis. Any supported charity must be a 501c3 organization.

OFFICERS

Officers of the club serve a term of one (1) year, although Officers may serve multiple terms. The Officer positions are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer (future role). These individuals will comprise the Board of Directors responsible for day-to-day operations of the club. The Board of Directors may appoint individuals to the positions of Sergeant-at-Arms, Road Captain, Event Director, Webmaster/Photographer or other positions as needed (e.g. Chaplain, Marketing Coordinator, etc.). Officers will have the following obligations, in addition to their elected duties:

1. Participate in Club-sanctioned group rides throughout the year and assist with putting together rides within the year that they are in office.



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2. Participate in Board meetings and other meetings as scheduled.

Should an officer not fulfill his or her obligations, the Board of Directors may elect to take action and remove the officer from office with a 2/3 vote of all Board Members. Should an officer be removed, a replacement officer may be appointed into office by the Board of Directors for the duration of the term. Notification will be sent to the membership explaining the reason for removal of any officer along with the named replacement should one be named.

Members may only be elected into office if they are in good standings with the club and present for the annual meeting unless unable to attend due to a medical or family issue. Said issue must be submitted to the Secretary of the club at least 5-days prior to the meeting and must also be read to the membership that is present prior to a vote for the position for which said member is a candidate.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

During the month of January of each year, the club will hold an election of officers at the club's annual meeting.

Responsible and Courteous Behavior

The US Spyder Ryders-Rock Hill/York SC Chapter considers our group as an extended family. Members and their guests, if any, are expected to treat everyone as they would expect to be treated. Members are expected to be responsible for their guests. Courtesy and polite behavior toward everyone is always expected, regardless of whether at a chapter function or activity. Profanity of any sort, whether directed toward an individual or not, will not be tolerated. The US Spyder Ryders – Rock Hill/York SC Chapter is a totally unbiased organization dedicated to promoting a positive image to the public and community at large. There will be no discrimination of any sort whatever, be it religious, ethnic, sexual, political, economic situation, or ANY other matter. Acts of discrimination shall be considered behavior unbecoming a Chapter member and could be cause disciplinary action. These behavior standards also apply to activity on any form of social media. • If anyone participating in any Chapter activity chooses to carry a concealed firearm on their person, they are required by Law to hold a valid Concealed Weapons Permit issued by the state in which they are licensed to operate a motor vehicle. While US Spyder Ryders – Rock Hill/York SC Chapter acknowledges that NO OFFICER OR BOARD MEMBER HAS THE LEGAL AUTHORITY to require any individual to present such a permit. Anyone unwilling to show their Concealed Weapons Permit if requested, is not to carry a concealed weapon on rides or at any Chapter activity or function.

CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL or ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES

There is to be NO CONSUMPTION of alcohol of any sort at any chapter activity in which the possibility of operating a motor vehicle of any kind is involved. At any Chapter sanctioned social functions, consumption of NOT MORE THAN 2 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES is acceptable provided the member or guest is not operating a motor vehicle. Becoming intoxicated in a public place, or place open to the public, where that person can be identified as being associated with US Spyder Ryders – Rock Hill/York SC Chapter could face disciplinary action. There is to be no consumption of alcohol at Chapter meetings. This policy also involves taking illegal substances – this is prohibited on US Spyder Ryders – Rock Hill/York SC Chapter sanctioned rides and events.

MEDIA SITES

All club media sites (including but not limited to Facebook and Club websites) will be used solely to promote the operations and events of this club. Any comments on these sites deemed inappropriate by the Webmaster and President will be removed and notification of the removal will be sent to each member of the Board of Directors along with the member(s) involved. Continued abuse will result in the Webmaster and President suspending member privileges on all media sites along with a review by the Board of Directors for possible further disciplinary action and or termination of membership.



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DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Should a member be placed on disciplinary action by the Board, said member will not be allowed to participate in club supported events for a said duration which will be decided by the Board depending on the offense. If a member is placed on multiple disciplinary actions over a rolling two-year period said member's membership will be terminated. If the Board feels that the action by the member is conduct unbecoming of the club, the Board may move to terminate the member's membership. During any disciplinary action the member(s) being brought up on disciplinary action will have a chance to state their side during the investigation period.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Members that have not paid their annual dues by the timeline set under the Dues Section of these Bylaws will be considered inactive and membership will be terminated. Should a member wish to terminate his or her membership, they may do so at any time with written notification to the Secretary. Termination of membership either by the member themselves or by disciplinary action will result in the member forfeiting any dues paid and access to all club media sites.

Reinstatement of Membership

Terminated memberships shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors before membership is reinstated.



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Revision and Signoff Sheet

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