



US SPYDER RYDERS

KCMO Chapter Bylaws



MISSION STATEMENT

The objective of the US Spyder Ryders KCMO Chapter Ryding Club is to promote Can-Am Spyders & Rykers while riding and focusing on having fun; at the same time attempting to do the best for our community and local charities. We accomplish this objective with a positive interaction within our community, while providing a safe and controlled environment for our members during all our functions. We pride ourselves in supporting and being involved in community and charitable events. We will have local rydes, long distance rydes, socials, and fundraising activities.

BYLAWS

MEMBERSHIP

To become a member of this Chapter, you must drive or be a passenger of a motorcycle; pay the annual dues; Sign a *Release of Liability Waiver - Members*; accept, sign, adhere to, & help enforce the Bylaws of the US-SR KCMO Chapter Ryding Club. "Club Members" are individuals that are an owner/passenger of a Can-Am Spyder or Ryker. "Associate Club Members" are on one of the other branded motorcycles (see below). Paperwork is required initially when signing up, after major revisions to the Bylaws (as determined by the BoD), or after membership becomes inactive. If a member becomes "Inactive", they will be removed from the roster, losing all Chapter privileges. They are able to sign up with new membership paperwork at a later time.

Associate Club Membership

Associate Club Memberships (ACM's) may be attained by a non-Spyder owner/passenger via sponsorship of a Club Member that is in good standings. ACM's are sanctioned by the same Chapter Bylaws. Should the sponsoring Club Member become no longer in good standing, the ACM's sponsorship must either be transferred to another Club Member in good standing (with Club Member approval) or if it is after October 1st, they may remain with the Chapter for the balance of the current year, assuming the ACM is in good standings. The ACM's will need to secure sponsorship for the following calendar year should they wish to continue their membership with the Chapter. ACM's cannot hold an Officer position and do not have voting rights in regards to Bylaw revisions. ACM's may be appointed into other positions.

ATTENDANCE

Current active Chapter Members with dues paid are able to attend any & every Chapter event or ryde scheduled. Chapter Member guests and juvenile family members may attend certain events & rydes as follows but may not attend Chapter meetings. The sponsoring Chapter Member must be present at the event/ryde in which their guests and juvenile family members are attending.

All guests may attend a ryde, event, or activity but must submit a signed *Release of Liability Waiver- Non-Member* prior to. If the Chapter covers any of the financial costs, the guests, family members, or ultimately the sponsoring Chapter Member will be responsible for the costs associated.

Guest Drivers are adults that own/drive a motorcycle and are not a member. They may attend two rydes per year; any additional attendance will require them to submit for Chapter membership.

Guest Passengers do not own/drive a motorcycle, are not a member, and are merely riding on the back of a motorcycle. Juvenile Guest Passengers *Release of Liability Waiver* must be signed by their legally authorized parent/guardian.

Juvenile Family Member Passengers (under 18 yoa) are kids or grandkids of Chapter Members. Their *Release of Liability Waiver- Non-Member* must be signed by the legally authorized parent/guardian.



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RESPECT AND COMMON COURTESY

Professional, respectful, and courteous behavior is expected from all members. This includes dealing with members, guests, or any affiliate of the Chapter (i.e., sponsoring dealership, charity organizations, other clubs, etc.). Gossip and drama are motivation killers and used to divide rather than bring people together. All members should only use firsthand personal knowledge and refrain from spreading hearsay. Any member not acting in a professional, respectful, and courteous manner will be subject to review by the BoD for possible disciplinary action or membership termination. The President is responsible for addressing any/all Chapter related issues with other organizations.

DUES

Dues are currently \$10.00 for members and are used to fund Chapter costs, to make charitable contributions, and for any other expense the BoD deems appropriate. Membership dues are paid in December of each year and provide membership for the following calendar year (January through December). Dues are not prorated. Dues can be paid via cash, check, or approved money App. The Chapter does not have a bank account, all money is maintained by the Treasurer. Dues are set/updated annually for the upcoming year, if needed, by the BoD in the 4th quarter of the year. Members that have not paid their annual dues by the January Annual Membership Meeting will be noted as "Inactive". Members joining after the annual meeting must have their dues paid within 30 days of submitting paperwork. If not, they will be notified, and their paperwork/Chapter privileges will be withdrawn.

SAFETY/RIDING WAIVER

The additional *Release of Liability Waiver - Members* is required during initial membership registration and after any lapse in membership renewal. At no time will members block intersections or lanes of traffic for the sake of facilitating group riding movement. It is recommended that members abide by all local, state, and national traffic statutes. A member agrees to carry the appropriate Drivers Licensing, Registration, and Insurance coverage as required by their home state. Failure to do so will result in immediate termination of membership. A member also agrees to hold harmless the Chapter and all Board Members from any citations, accidents, and/or injuries which occur to the member during any Chapter activities.

MEETINGS

The general membership will meet in the 1st Qtr to elect Officers during the Annual Chapter Meeting. The BoD will meet as needed to discuss and vote on any operating issues of the Chapter which require their attention. These board meetings may be either in person or virtual. If needed, the BoD may call quarterly or special meetings of the membership; these types of meetings should be used to update the general membership on the operation of the Chapter and to also discuss any issues that would require membership input and or vote. Such an event will be Created/Posted in the Private Facebook Group Page a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the scheduled meeting. All meetings will be conducted by the President and held in an orderly, respectful manner.

VOTING

Voting, unless otherwise specified in the Bylaws, will be obtained by all members. During a meeting a "Motion" (specific) for a vote on a particular subject can be initiated, but a "Second" must be obtained in order for a motion to be considered for a vote. After securing a "Second", the member that made the motion will state the specific motion again with information pertaining to their reason, then it will be opened up to the group for discussion. After each member gets time to voice their view (either for or against), a vote by the appropriate members will be taken. If at any other time a member wishes to have an ordinary matter voted on,



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they will provide the information to the President within an appropriate timeframe, not for a “day-of” decision. The President will then have three (3) days to determine if it requires an in-person or virtual (zoom/email/text/messenger) vote from Chapter members or just the BoD.

To cast a vote, members must be in good standing and present at the meeting; unless otherwise determined by the BoD to allow for proxy votes. All voting will be approved by a simple majority that is present, whether voted on by the BoD or the general membership, depending on the meeting type. In the event of a tie vote, the President will cast the deciding vote. During the annual Officer elections, no member will nominate a candidate without first getting their approval to do so. If any officer candidate runs unopposed, they will automatically secure the vote.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

While riding and fellowship are a big aspect of the Chapter, we will commit to supporting our community and charitable causes that the membership or Board deem as Chapter sponsored activities. The Chapter will support the Road Warrior Foundation as our primary charitable organization each year with major fundraising activities. Other registered 501(c)(3) charitable organizations may be selected throughout the year with a vote, but only after the primary organizations’ goals have been met.

OFFICERS

Annually the Chapter Members will elect the following Officers into office - President, Vice President, Admin, Treasurer, and Webmaster. These individuals will comprise the Board of Directors (BoD) who will run the day-to-day operations of the Chapter. The BoD will appoint individuals to the positions of Road Captain, Event Coordinator, and others as needed (i.e. chaplain, charity coordinator, or photographer). Officers may perform more than one function, however, will be seen as only one voting member on the Board. Officers will attend all Board meetings and the Annual Chapter Meeting. Failure to fulfil their obligations can result in removal if the BoD deems it necessary with a majority vote of the board. If for any reason an officer is removed or resigns, a replacement officer may be appointed by the BoD for the duration of the term. Notification will be sent to the membership, along with the named replacement. Club Members may only be elected to an officer position if they are in good standing with the Chapter and present for the annual meeting. If unable to attend, the nominee’s reason must be submitted (emailed) to the Admin officer at least 5-days prior to the meeting so that it may be read to the membership prior to a vote for the position nominee is running for.

ATTIRE

1. Members will not wear logo’ed clothing or primary vest patches (large back) from a different motorcycle-based group while attending US-SR KCMO rydes or events. This is to avoid public confusion or misrepresentation of our group.
2. Members and guests will not wear any clothing or patches that have vulgar, explicit, racist, sexist, or any other dehumanizing images or words; anything that could cause a negative view of the Chapter’s mission. Violations should be brought to an Officers attention and will be addressed by the BoD.

MEDIA SITES

All Chapter media sites will be used primarily to promote the operations and events of this Chapter. Any comments on these sites deemed inappropriate by the Webmaster or President will be removed, and notification of the removal will be sent to those involved. Continued abuse will result in temporarily suspending member privileges on all media sites until a review by the BoD for possible further disciplinary action and/or termination of membership.



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DISCIPLINARY ACTION

All infractions will be reviewed by the BoD. If the BoD determines that the action by the member is conduct unbecoming of the Chapter, the Board may suspend or 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 review 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 their membership, they may do so at any time with a written notification (email, text, Messenger...etc) to the Admin. 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 Chapter events and media sites.

ACCEPTANCE OF BYLAWS: (each individual member must fill out their own individual form)

I _____ (*member's name*) hereby agree to the bylaws of the
 US Spyder Ryders - KCMO Chapter on this _____ day of _____,
(day) (month) (year)

Signed: _____ Printed: _____
(signature)

Required Information of Member Accepting Bylaws:

Email Address: _____

Physical Address: _____
(House #, Street, City, State, Zip)

Primary Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone #: _____

Relation to Member (spouse, friend, partner, parent) _____

Are you Primarily the: _____ Birthdate: only Month & Day: _____ / _____
(Driver or Passenger) (Month) (Day)

Bike Info: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Mileage: _____