**Group Etiquette and Rules**

**BE PREDICTABLE**

In a group, your actions affect those around you, not just yourself.

Riders expect you to continue straight and at a constant speed.

**USE SIGNALS**

Use hand signals to indicate turns and point out hazards to other riders.

**GIVE WARNINGS OF YOUR INTENTIONS**

Announce turns before the intersections to give riders a chance to position themselves.

Try to avoid sudden stops or turns except for emergencies.

**CHANGE POSITIONS CORRECTLY**

Announce passes clearly – particularly when passing on the right!

Announce hazards!

* Announce potholes and other hazards so others can avoid them.
* Call out the hazard and point to it, either left or right.

**WATCH OUT FOR TRAFFIC FROM THE REAR**

The last rider should frequently check for overtaking cars.

* Announce “car back” clearly and loudly It is also helpful to announce “car up” on narrow roads or when riding two abreast.

**WATCH OUT AT INTERSECTIONS**

Leaders should announce when slowing or stopping at intersections.

Cyclists should not follow others through intersections without scanning left and right.

Each cyclist is responsible for checking cross traffic; if you must stop, signal.

**LEAVE ROOM FOR CARS**

Good relations with motorists is the responsibility of every cyclist

**STOP OFF THE ROADWAY**

When stopping for a mechanical or regrouping, always move off of the road.

**ALWAYS YIELD TO TRAFFIC IN THE ROADWAY**

**RIDE SINGLE FILE**

Keep in mind that it’s the group’s responsibility to be single file when being overtaken by traffic.

Group rides should NEVER be more than two across.