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# **PATRIOT RIDE FOR OUR HEROES**

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## **EVENT RULES**

### **THIS IS A RIDE\*\*\*NOT A RACE**

**Rules and Regulations are enforced to ensure a safe ride for all participants!**

To ensure a safe and pleasant experience for all, please read and obey the following:

- The ride will be held rain or shine
- No refunds will be given
- Approved helmets are required to be worn by all riders
  - NO HELMET NO RIDE
- All minors must be accompanied by an adult
- Please be courteous of all local drivers and traffic: You must obey all traffic laws
- Be certain to come to a complete stop at all stop signs and red traffic signals not controlled by law enforcement personnel
- All riders must ride in single file; announce when passing
- Please use the port-o-lets that are provided at the SAG locations
- No personal support vehicles
- Headphones, Walkmans, & iPods are forbidden by law

#### **The Start:**

Riders will be lined up in staging area according to the route they registered for: 100 mile Century/50 mile Metric-Century/25 mi. Challenge - riders may begin to stage as early as 6:00 am and must be in their designated grid before 7:00 am for opening ceremonies. Cat 1 through 5 and teams move to front of pack to start line. Other riders fall in behind - this will be for each stage - 100/50/25

All riders must wear approved helmet, colored wristband, carry a cell phone, extra tire tube, two full water bottles and ride a mechanically sound bike. TT or Aero Bars are not allowed in this event. Mechanical support is available at Finish Line Expo on Saturday Only.

#### **THE RIDE:**

Preceding ceremonies there will be a 10-second countdown - then bikes will move out at speed no greater than 10 MPH - riders eyes will be focused on Pace Car with posted White Flag. Riders will be led out of park onto Eisenhower sweeping right - at approximately first traffic light White Flag will drop, Pace Car will pull off course and riders will be off.

### **A SAFETY MUST:**

- 1) Riders will Not Pass other riders on right hand side. When passing riders - yell out "On Your Left"
- 2) It is not advised for riders to reach for water bottles when in a group - wait until you are single file before reaching for your water bottle.
- 3) Always give other riders plenty of room - Don't crowd fellow riders.
- 4) Drafting and Pace Lines are permitted. Any reckless or grandstanding riders will be disqualified and asked to drop out. If you see a hazard, stalled vehicle, construction debris, water, gravel, sand or glass on highway - point with right arm extended. We will try to have a Flag Marshall there displaying Yellow Flag, slowdown and avoid hazard.

### **HIGHWAY & STREET MARKERS:**

Street markers & road signs will be displayed before a turn. Green Flag will be displayed on blind corners and right hand corners - and opposite corner at cross streets where pack and riders turn left crossing over to street. All SAG stops will display a Checkered Flag for riders to stop for water, food goodies and restrooms - cross streets and intersections will have street marker pointing straight-up 15 ft. before and after crossing street - telling riders to continue straight ahead.

### **Route Changes:**

Routes are subject to change, due to unforeseen issues with weather, road construction or permitting requirements.

<b>White Flag:</b>	<b>Start of event from Pace Car...</b>
<b>Green Flag:</b>	<b>All clear - Safe - Go!</b>
<b>Yellow Flag:</b>	<b>Caution - Slowdown, back off and watch for hazard...</b>
<b>Checkered Flag:</b>	<b>SAG Stop...</b>

**There will be local Law Enforcement at designated intersections and throughout the courses.  
Law Enforcement instructions must be followed in order to secure your safety and the safety of others.  
Please obey all laws of the road where there is no Law Enforcement.**

# **Have a fun and safe ride!**