

Alabama District

Guidelines for Chapter Ride Coordinators

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Chapter Ride Coordinator

“Our focus needs to be on riding and this position does exactly that. The Chapter Ride Coordinator coordinates our rides. As an Officer, and part of the Rider Education Program, the Ride Coordinator needs to believe and participate in our Rider Education program and be at least a Level 2 and a Road Captain. The role will not be the same as the previous role of the Chapter Educator as there are no reports. Your energy and focus is on planning all variety of rides that suit your Chapter Participants. As you get ready for that ride you will conduct a very informative Rider Meeting and you will encourage safety, i.e. T-Clocs, group riding techniques; safety clothes and more. You accept the Riders that show and they need to be in compliance with State law. You will encourage, communicate and lead the way sharing GWRRA’s benefits of safety as developed through our Rider Education Program. If you sign Members into the program, that is a bonus, but sharing your passion for the ride is your piece of the fun equation.”

For the purpose of simplicity and to satisfy the requirements established of the GWRRA Officer Manual for the District Ride Coordinator, **Alabama District will be divided into three (3) Regions; South, Central and North** as set forth below:

1. The **South Region**: AL-A, AL-F, AL-G, AL-M, AL-U, and AL-Z.
2. The **Central Region**: AL-D, AL-J, AL-T, and AL-Y.
3. The **North Region**: AL-B, AL-H, AL-N, and AL-S.

Each quarter of the year, South, Central and North Regions will coordinate a quarterly ride to a central location within their region for a lunch ride or other ride interest within their region. Quarterly will be defined as: 1st Quarter – January, February, March, 2nd Quarter – April, May, June, 3rd Quarter – July, August, September and 4th Quarter – Oct, November, December. This could and should be your Chapter Ride Coordinator who will correlate this with all Chapters/Ride Coordinators in their assigned regions. Each quarter a different Chapter Ride Coordinator will communicate with the other Chapter Ride Coordinators within their assigned region for a place/location centrally located within their region. The order of responsibility for these quarterly rides will be alphabetically, starting with the first chapter in each Region as listed above. For example, in the South Region for the first quarter of 2019, AL-A will be responsible for

coordinating their region ride, AL-F will coordinate the second quarter ride, AL-G will coordinate the third quarter ride and AL-M will coordinate the fourth quarter ride. For 2020 AL-U will coordinate the first quarter ride and AL-Z will coordinate the second quarter ride. Then it will start over with AL-A for the third quarter and AL-F for the fourth quarter of 2020.

The Chapter Ride Coordinator for the quarter of each region will submit their schedule ride destination to the District Ride Coordinator no later than the end of the prior quarter, i.e., Chapter 'A' schedule their event for the first quarter, Chapter 'F' would have their destination no later than 1 April and so forth. This will allow scheduled events to be published on the District Web Site. Upon completion of the scheduled event a roster of all in attendance will be submitted to the District Ride Coordinator for administrative purposes.

Keep in mind these **are not** for the purpose of raising money, in other words no 50/25/25, etc. to raise money. This is just a ride to meet, greet, eat, and fellowship with one another. Chapter Membership Enhancement Coordinators should contact those members who normally do not participate in chapter events and invite them to attend. Providing the reason for the event, to see if those who may not be able to participate in monthly events, may want to participate in the quarterly event, and to have FUN.

This does not exempt Chapters from participating in Chapter events outside their region within the District, but it does provide Chapters within a District Region to enjoy the pleasure of having Chapter events without them having to go to their calendar and changing their plan of events. Currently Chapters are planning events, but not reviewing other Chapter events within the District, in some instances because event calendars may not be published in a timely fashion and the lack or desires to change their planned events.

Following the above guidance will keep our District with the objectives and goals of GWRRA as prescribed in the GWRRA Officer manual dated October 2018.

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