

## **INOA Rally Ride Rules and Guidelines**

These are in effect at all times and for all rides, whether attended or unattended:

1. Riders must have already **registered and signed-in** upon arrival at the Rally.
2. Riders ride at their **own risk** and accept full responsibility for their participation in a ride.
3. **Maintain a safe distance** between riders at all times.
4. **Observe all laws** and speed limits.
5. **Respect noise levels.**
6. **Safety-check your bike**, then ask someone else to safety-check your bike.
7. If you find yourself uncomfortable with the riding style of a group at any time, DROP OUT. Your safe arrival at your destination is far more important than conforming to rules or behavior you don't like or don't understand.

For unattended rides:

8. Sign-in to the "Unattended Ride" sheet at the Registration desk so we know where you're going and when you expect to return.

For attended group rides:

9. Riders to meet no less than 15 minutes before the ride start time to:
  - a. Receive **safety talk** from Ride Leader and/or Lead Bike(s) and Sweep Bike(s) and **review hand signals**.
  - b. **Review ride** route, directions, hazards, stopping points, times.
  - c. Establish **speed limit for ride!**
  - d. Receive chase vehicle and **ride contact information**.
10. **Arrive with a full fuel tank** and empty bladder BEFORE leaving.
11. Riders must use **designated hand signals**.
12. If a rider must stop during a ride, they MUST show proper hand signals and move to side of road in a calm, controlled manner.
13. **No passing!**
14. Ride in **staggered formation**.
15. **Obey Rally Road Guards**, if present on the course, providing directions.

### **HAND SIGNALS**

- **Hazard in roadway** – On the right, point with right foot; on the left, point with left hand.
- **Stop as soon as possible** - Pointing to the tank tells everyone that you need to stop as soon as possible, whatever the reason: fuel; "potty stop"; mechanical or equipment problem; medical problem; co-rider is uncomfortable; a crisis of confidence; or for any other reason. The signal should be relayed throughout the group. If possible, the Lead Bike may orchestrate a stop by the whole group. If not, the affected bike can count on the Sweep Bike to stop and try to help.
- Slow down - Left arm is held out straight, palm down, arm "pushing" down.
- Speed up - Left arm out straight, palm up, arm "lifting" up.
- Back off - Palm of left hand shown to group, pushing motion toward rear of bike.
- Single-file formation - First finger points to the sky on top of the helmet.
- Staggered formation - First and little finger point to the sky on top of the helmet.
- Ready to ride - "Thumbs up" high enough in air to be visible to Lead Bike.
- Police or emergency vehicles - Hand taps top of helmet several times.
- U-turn - Left hand makes circle in air over head.

**REMEMBER - Ride your own ride, enjoy the ride, and above all remain considerate of the community and your fellow Norton riders at all times.**