

Motorcycles and the Apocalypse Scooter Club

Preamble: The Apocalypse Scooter Club is at its core a scooter club and all members are expected to own and operate scooters. However, as many members (and prospective members) own motorcycles, there needs to be some clarification of the use of motorcycles in the club. These principles are an attempt to codify usage and prevent confusion without prejudice.

1. Motorcycles are any two wheeled powered vehicle that does not have floorboards and cannot be stepped through. The ASC executive is charged with the responsibility of defining what is a scooter and what is a motorcycle. There is usually no doubt, but there may be some instances where the line is blurred The ASC distinguishes between small displacement motorcycles which are defined as less than 200cc and larger motorcycles are anything bigger in displacement. Electric motorcycles can be classified by their wattage (to be defined at a later date). Electric motorcycles, scooters and eBikes must be able to maintain a constant speed of 60 kph for at least 50 km on a group ride for purposes of safety and group ride cohesion as standard quick refueling is not available.
2. ASC Members who own scooters are permitted to ride their motorcycles on open Tuesday and Sunday group rides.
3. Notwithstanding clause 2, this right shall be exercised sparingly as this is a scooter club, not a motorcycle club at its core.
4. Motorcycles shall always ride at the rear of the group unless they are the ride leader or at the request or permission of the ride leader. This is for reasons of safety and well as optics to the people who watch us ride by. In city group rides perform two functions, the first is for the enjoyment of the riders, the second is to advertise the club to the general public.
5. ASC members who joined the club with a scooter and have replaced it with only a motorcycle previous to the issuance of these guidelines are "Grandfathered in". We encourage these members to obtain a running scooter and ride with the group using that scooter.
6. The ASC permits motorcyclists to join the club provided they have small displacement motorcycles.
7. These members are permitted to ride their small motorcycles on Tuesday and Sunday group rides subject to the provisions of clause 4.
8. Notwithstanding clause 6, these members are not allowed to ride larger motorcycles on group rides unless there are special circumstances to be approved by the executive.
9. Visitors (non-members) with motorcycles on the open Tuesday night rides are to be strenuously encouraged to obtain a scooter to ride with the group. Upon repeated visits from such visitors, they may ultimately be told to leave the ride if they abuse the privilege.
10. Special events such as impromptu rides out of the city, rallies in and out of the city can be a relaxation of these rules. Know that out of town rallies are subject to the rules of the hosting club and thus all kinds of motorcycles may be banned.
11. The ride leader of the open Tuesday and Sunday group rides and or the executive shall be charged with the discretionary power to enforce the reasonableness of the rules.