

# Release Form

Please read this form carefully and sign.

A separate release & registration form is required for every rider and passenger

I, the undersigned (on my own behalf and on the behalf of my heirs, personal representatives, successors and assign) for and in consideration of the opportunity to participate in the “**Ride for the Wheelchair Games 2008**”, hereby release, forever discharge and hereby hold harmless the organizers and agents (Released Parties) of the ride, specifically including but not limited to the VA Hospital, Bartolotta’s Restaurants, House of Harley-Davidson, Speedway, Paralyzed Veterans Association, Milwaukee County, its elected officials, administrators, employees and agents, from any and all claims, demands, rights, damages, actions, and causes of action or suits of any kind or nature what-so-ever, known or unknown, including actions to recover attorney fees, which in any way may result from, or arise out of , my participation in the tour-ride.

This release extends to any and all claims I have or may have against the Released Parties, even if such claims result from strict liability or negligence on the part of any or all of the Released Parties, concerning the condition ,qualifications, instructions, rules or procedures under which the tour-ride is conducted, or from any other cause. **I understand this means I agree not to sue any or all of the “ Released Parties” for any injury resulting to my property or myself arising from or in connection with the ride.** However, I do not release any Released Party from any intentional misconduct on the Released Party’s part.

I hereby state that I am experienced and familiar with the operations of the motorcycle I will be riding, and fully understand the risks and dangers inherent in motorcycling. I am voluntarily participating in the ride and I expressly agree to assume the entire risk of any accidents, property damage or personal injury, including death, which I might suffer as a result of my participation in the ride. I understand that it is my responsibility to monitor mechanical conditions of the motorcycle and related equipment, the weather conditions, road conditions, the location of other vehicles and other similar conditions to ensure my safety and the safety of others during the tour-ride.

By signing this release, I certify that I have read this release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations of the related parties. I also have read and understood the information listed on the separate Group Riding Criteria.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Rider / Passenger: Please complete the following – *all fields are required* (PLEASE PRINT)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Motorcycle License # \_\_\_\_\_  
(rider only)

# Group Riding Criteria

A group ride is an organized ride with motorcycles riding very close together, we have to take several things into consideration for the people that are allowed to participate in the group. One mistake or bike going down can cause several bikes to crash, in a group ride. The Head Road Captain, Safety Officer, Team Leaders or their designee, or Chapter Officers can make an informed decision to not allow someone on or to leave a group ride. This would only be done for the safety of the riders and passengers in the group.

If you do not meet the following criteria for a group ride you can still go to the destination. You can sign-up for the ride, but leave early or late on your own. This will make the ride safer for yourself and everyone else on the ride and everyone can have fun at the destination.

1. Know your limits and ride within them, never ride above your abilities.

Mental- concentrate on the ride and the bikes around you, if things are bothering you and you can not concentrate, it is not the time for a group ride.

Physical- If taking drugs or alcohol, prescription or otherwise, do not go on a group ride. The group only stops at pre-determined stops, if you need to stop more often, you will not be able to go with the group. Fatigue – Many of the group rides are for many hours in one day. Some are as long as 8-10 hours in one day. If you are in a cast you will not be able to ride in the group.

Motorcycle- Tires, Wheels, Controls, Lights, Oil, Chassis, Kickstand

Environment- Be prepared for different types of weather and different types of roadways. It could be very hot or cold and we could be on Interstates or curves.

Experience level- If you do not ride very often and are not comfortable riding close to other riders do not go on a group ride. Get used to riding with small groups before riding in a large group.

2. Come to the ride prepared.  
Full tank of gas & an empty bladder, motorcycles properly packed & in a safe condition, appropriate riding gear.
3. Maintain a constant speed, always ride in a tight but courteous formation – staggered or single file. This is called a group ride, and you should ride in the proper way. If you do not keep the proper distance we are no longer in a group. If you are not comfortable with riding as a group you should not be in a group ride. Meet us at the destination and ride on your own.
4. Novice or riders that are new to group riding should ride at the back of the group.

If it is determined that there is a safety problem for the group, a rider can be asked:

to ride in the back of the group, and/or  
to put the bike on the sag wagon, and/or  
to leave the group and ride on their own.

The safety of our members is our main concern and we will continue to do our best to see that every ride is as safe as possible.