



Military Brotherhood MMC Inc

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Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

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Riding and Road Safety

General

1. Military Brotherhood MMC encourages safe and responsible riding at all times.
2. The following minimum guidelines are to be observed by all members when on a Club run, or when riding individually.
 - a. Make sure your bike is registered and in a safe, roadworthy condition.
 - b. Make sure your bike is fuelled before departure.
 - c. Pay attention to start times - don't be late!
 - d. Pay attention to the ride Brief.
 - e. Never pass the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain.
 - f. Ride in staggered formation, never side by side (ref Annex A).
 - g. Ride in the same lane as the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain in/on a multi lane highway.
 - h. On a winding or narrow road, ride in single file only (ref Annex A).
 - i. Be aware of your braking distance from the vehicle in front of you, respect the other riders' road space *at all times*. Never ride in a rider's blind spot!
 - j. If you break down, stay with your bike in clear view of the last rider and breakdown vehicle if attending. A Club member will return to assist.
 - k. If you are a solo (single rider) stop for a breakdown to offer a lift if needed.
3. The First Aid kit will be carried by the SSM and/or backup vehicle if attending!
4. The following minimum requirements will be applied by the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain when riding on a Club event or as a group:
 - a. Brief all members on the intended route and stops for breaks;
 - b. Note the number of bikes and support vehicles prior to leaving a location;
 - c. The Road Captain or the designated Road Captain will be the last member to mount his motorcycle, ensuring that all members are within the group and ready to depart a location (the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain must not mount his motorcycle or leave until all members are accounted for);
 - d. When leaving a location, the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain shall ensure that the start speed of the group is adequate to ensure all riders catch up to the group



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(only then is the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain to increase speed to the lawful speed limit);

- e. During the ride each member shall be aware of the rider immediately behind him/her and shall ensure that they slow and/or pull over if that rider immediately behind them has slowed or pulled over;
- f. No member shall leave the moving group until the group has pulled over and stopped;
- g. When the group stops, the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain shall conduct a number count to ensure all riders within the group are accounted for before the group recommences the run;
- h. A 'tail end Charlie' is to be nominated by the Road Captain or the designated Road Captain to assist with monitoring all riders and remaining with a break-down until the group returns and/or the issue is resolved.

Emergency Call 112

5. **112** can be dialled on any GSM digital mobile phone, in any area that your mobile service provider has GSM network coverage.
6. In areas where you are out of your service provider's coverage area but in another mobile carrier's coverage area.
7. From anywhere overseas where there is GSM digital coverage. The call will be automatically transferred to that country's emergency number and without having to key in a security-protection personal identification number (PIN).
8. Note: When dialling the emergency call service from any mobile phone, you will need to state your exact location to the operator.



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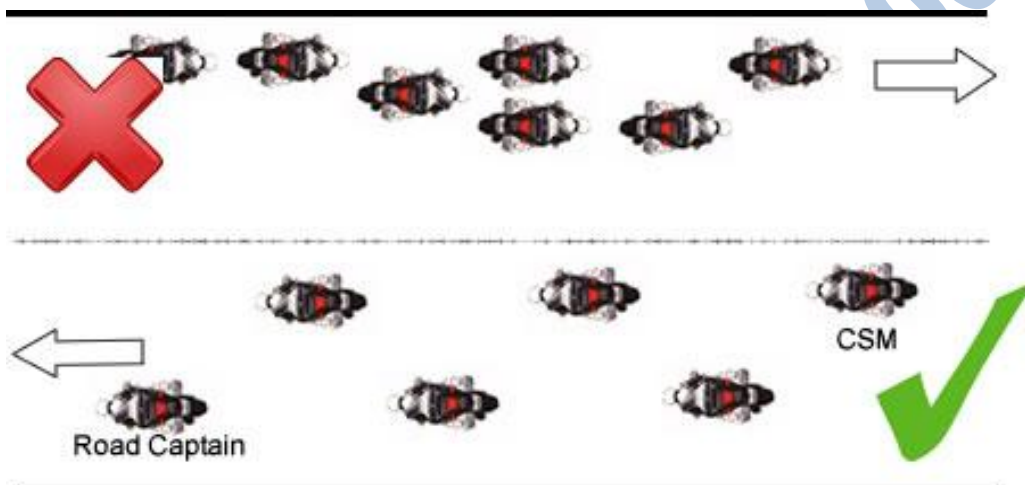
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ANNEX A TO
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Road Formations During a Run

- Staggered File on good roads



- Single File on tight winding roads

