

Rider Code of Conduct Tribute to Fallen Soldiers Motorcycle Torch Ride

These expectations apply to All Participants, including ALL LEVELS of Leadership

No. 1 Rule of the Run: No Attitudes!

All riders must remember that while participating in T2FS, you serve to represent the Fallen Heros and the community. As such, you must control your behavior and emotions to the best of your ability. Altercations, either verbal or physical, will not be tolerated. Extreme or repeated incidents or unruly or hostile behavior will be handled by the Route Coordinator, Ride Captain and/or Executive Director. They will determine what actions need to be taken to ensure the integrity and safety of the ride. This may include terminating an individual's participation in this event.

2. Attend ALL MORNING RIDE BRIEFINGS (these are MANDATORY) for ATW and Day Riders. Individuals the meet us at a scheduled rest stop must report to the Route Coordinator or Ride Captain for a MADATORY Briefing before joining the group ride. All riders are expected to attend all other meetings called during the day/ride.

3. Follow all directions of the Ex Director, Route Coordinator or Ride Captain. They alone will designate who leads who is road guard etc.

4. All ride groups (American Legion, CMA, Patriot Guard, etc.) joining T2FS for a route leg of the ride will fall behind the T2FS riders. The memorial Torch and Memorial Flag MUST arrive first to honor our Gold Star families. NO Exceptions.

5. Inappropriate language, humor, etc., when you are riding with T2FS will not be tolerated.

6. Inappropriate patches may need to be covered at ALL VISITS, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, ETC.

7. No Smoking or Vaping is allowed in meetings, presentations, visits, or other gatherings and ceremonies. Smoking or Vaping is also prohibited in motorcycle staging, in formation on the road, and in fueling areas. If you must smoke, smoke only in designated areas.

8. Avoid political discussions, your opinions are yours, keep them that way. T2FS is not the place for political discussion.

9. SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY!!! The word of the day is always safety. There is no reason for anyone to get hurt. Ride with your head on a swivel, remember the folks in cagers think you are a target of opportunity.

9a. ONLY ROADGUARDS, or others designated by the RCs can assist in traffic control. All other riders will stay in the formation or will be removed from the ride.

9b. If involved in an accident or incident where property damage or personal injury has occurred, you are required to share vehicle insurance information with other riders involved.

9c. IF AN ACCIDENT happens that you are not involved in DO NOT STOP. The road guard closest to the scene and the designated medical personnel will stop. All other riders continue with the mission.

10. You are required to have personal medical insurance and motorcycle/vehicle insurance to participate in the ride. We HIGHLY recommend each individual fill out the RIDERS INSURANCE AND MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM in the event of an emergency it could save your life.

11. Be respectful and attentive to speakers and presenters. What you need to discuss can wait.

12. Not everyone is as good a rider as you, be tolerant and supportive. We were all FNGs once.

13. "We Ride to Honor the Fallen" – be respectful of their sacrifice by not yelling at Memorials or at solemn ceremonies and gatherings. **CELL PHONES OFF**

14. Everyone loves a good song, but loud music on the road, fueling or staging, disrupts necessary and vital communication. Save it for the ride home.

15. T2FS does not allow or condone consumption of alcohol or recreational drugs during the "riding day". A rider seen consuming alcohol or recreational drugs during the riding day will be removed by the RC.

16. There will be NO open carrying or public display of firearms/weapons at any location or any time while participating in the mission, to include from the time of Check-in, during any sanctioned T2FS event, and until departing after the end of mission (EOM).

17. There will be no Posting on social media of pictures or text messages, etc., regarding accidents or incidents while on the ride.