

**American Legion Riders
Motorcycle Association**

**Oscar Wilson Post 75
Crestview, Fl.
State of Florida, Charter Chapter**

Purpose

To participate in parades and other ceremonies that are in keeping with Aims and Purposes of the American Legion. to promote motorcycle safety programs and to provide a social atmosphere for American Legion members who share the same interest. To use our Association to promote and support programs of the American Legion.

By Laws

I. Membership: One of the following is required for membership:

- A. A current member of the American Legion.**
- B. A current member of the American Legion Auxiliary, or**
- C. A current member of the Sons of the American Legion.**

II. Officers of the Chapter

- A. Director**
- B. Assistant Director**
- C. Secretary**
- D. Treasurer/Membership Chairman**
- E. Sgt. At Arms**
- F. Road Captain**
- G. Historian ***
- H. Chaplain ***
- I. Safety Officer ***

(* These officers are at the discretion of the chapter)

When possible, all officers should participate in all Chapter formal functions.

III. Elections

- A. Election of chapter officers will be held annually as determined by the**

membership of the Chapter.

IV. Duties of association Chapter Officers

- A. Director:** Will serve as Chief Administrative Officer of the Chapter and will preside over all meetings. He/she shall have general supervision over the affairs of the Chapter. He/she shall perform such other duties as directed by the general membership.
- B. Assistant Director:** Will assume the duties of the Director in his/her absence. Will assist the Director in the performance of his/her duties when called on to so by the Director.
- C. Secretary:** To keep a full and correct record of all proceedings at the meetings.
- D. Treasure/Membership:** To have charge of all finances of the Chapter. To have charge of disbursing funds as directed by the Director and the general membership. To establish a checking account requiring two signatures as determined by the Director and Treasure. To give detailed financial reports at each regular meeting. (Copies to be furnished to the sponsoring Post if requested.) Will submit an annual recapitulation report. To issue membership cards for eligible, approved, members and collect monies. Will ensure applications are completed in full and signed by the applicant. Keep membership records as required by the general membership.
- E. Run Coordinator (Road Captain):** Will be the logistics person in charge of organized runs of the Association. He/She will determine dates, times, routes and meeting places for those taking part in a run activity. He/She may at their discretion, appoint assistant road captains or take any other measures He/She may feel necessary to help insure the safety of the group during a run.
- F. Sgt. At Arms:** Will help to maintain order during chapter meetings and formal ALR events.
- G. Historian:** Will record events of interest for future review. To include photos, run flyers, and chapter events. These records will be presented on a regular basis for membership review.
- H. Chaplain:** Will officiate at the beginning and end of each chapter meeting.
Will arrange visits to sick and distressed members, their immediate families, and fellow veterans. Will report on sick and/or distressed

members at Chapter meetings.

- I. **Safety Officer:** He/she will be responsible for presenting safety and training issues for the general membership of the Chapter.

- V. **Meetings:**
 - A. Meetings will be held at a date, time and place as voted on by a majority of members at any regular meeting. Seven members will constitute a quorum.

- VI. **Finances:**
 - A. Finances of the Association Chapter will be from Chapter membership dues or such other sources, as approved by the membership. All monies will be given to the Treasurer and properly deposited in a bank approved by the sponsoring Post.

- VII. **Expulsion:**
 - A. Any member may be expelled or suspended from the Association by a majority vote of the general membership at a regular Chapter meeting or special Director's meeting of the Chapter.

- VIII. **Chapter Residency:**
 - A. Each Chapter will be known by the state in which it's majority of members reside. Chapters may be further broken down into District and Post. (i.e. Florida Chapter , City, Post 75)

- IX. **Charter Membership:**
 - A. Each Chapter may determine eligibility for Charter Membership in it's own chapter. Charter Members for this Chapter are those who became paid members during the first year of existence.

- X. **Governing Rules:**
 - A. The Chapter may elect to adopt a set of By-laws to govern it's Membership. These By-laws, or by-law amendments, shall be no less stringent, nor can they be in any conflict with the by-laws outlined and approved by the American Legion Department of Florida or those of the Sponsoring Post.

G. The Chapter acknowledges that this is an activity of the American Legion Post. The Chapter shall provide a quarterly report to the Sponsoring American Legion Post as to activities and Finances.

XI. Disbursement of Funds:

A. Disbursement of funds will be only those authorized by the Director and those authorized by the general membership of the Chapter. Each Chapter will be a non-profit organization and may only disburse funds in a manner that is in keeping with all local, state and national laws regarding non-profit organizations.

XII. Dues:

Dues for this Chapter of the ALR shall be as follows:

**Annually - \$15.00
Life time - Ten times the annual dues (\$150.00)**

Membership dues shall run for a period consistent with the sponsoring Post. Dues received after August 1st will be considered for the following year. Members 60 days delinquent in the payment of dues will be notified that they have 30 days to remit their dues payment. If payment is not received prior to being 90 days delinquent they will be removed from the membership roster for the Chapter.

XIII. The Official Insignia

The Official Insignia of the American Legion Riders shall be the one available from National Emblem Sales. The emblem may contain only the following modifications:

- A. Florida Chapter at the bottom of the patch in gold writing.**
- B. Post number at the bottom of the patch in gold writing.**
- C. A gold border indicating a charter member.**
- D. Two (2) gold stars, one on either side of the word American indicating a life member.**
- E. The name of the city where the sponsoring post is located. This will be located below the word American and will be in gold writing.**
- F. The only rockers allowed below the patch shall be those approved by the chapter. This shall be placed under the patch and must be touching or as close as possible to the emblem patch.**

XIV. Order:

A. All meetings will be conducted under "Roberts Rules of Order".

Jim Griffin ____ SIGNED _____ Secretary American Legion Riders Chapter 75	Fletcher Williams, Jr. _____ SIGNED _____ Florida Western Area American Legion Riders Coordinator
Scott Matheson _____ SIGNED _____ Director American Legion Riders Chapter 75	TK Johnson _____ SIGNED _____ Assistant Director/Road Captain American Legion Riders Chapter 75