

**Department of Minnesota  
American Legion Riders Minneapolis Post One  
Standard Operating Procedure**

(approved 10/12/2015)

**Purpose**

Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders, formed September 14, 2015 to promote the aims and purposes of The American Legion as a family of motorcycling activity for members of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, and The Sons of The American Legion.

American Legion National Resolutions No. 35, No. 32, and MNALR SOP are the governing documents for members of The American Legion Riders in the Department of Minnesota American Legion.

**Name**

The name of this program shall be the Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 (MNALRC1).

**Nature**

As defined in the MNALR SOP.

**Organization**

As defined in the MNALR SOP.

**Board of Representatives**

The Board of Representatives of The Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 shall be led by a Director and Secretary. Both to be chosen by the quorum body of the Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 at their regular meeting prior to the annual Romp.

The current leadership of American Legion Minneapolis Post One, under the guidelines of the National Organization within Resolutions No. 35, No. 32, MNALR SOP, and this SOP, will incur no financial or legal liability to the 5th District, MNALR nor the Department of Minnesota.

**Membership**

Membership consists of 2 recognized "classes" of involvement within the ALR as defined below.

**A. Full Members:** Prospective full members must meet two requirements for Membership.

- 1.** A current member in good standing in the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of the American Legion.
- 2.** Must be the legally registered owner of an insured motorcycle and possess a valid motorcycle

endorsed driver's license in their state of residence (military equivalents acceptable), or the spouse of an owner who is a member.

**B. Support Members:** Chapter Supporters (aka "Supporting Members").

**1.** The Chapter Supporter classification does not constitute full membership in the ALR, therefore Supporters will not be granted voting privileges or the right to hold an office. Chapter Supporter is intended as a means to provide recognition to those who show strong support to Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1.

**2.** Chapter Supporters must, without exception, be a member in good standing in the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of the American Legion.

**3.** Any articles of clothing worn by Chapter Supporters displaying the ALR emblem must also contain the word "Supporter"

**Verification:** Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 shall maintain membership records sufficient to establish the continuous active membership requirements in the American Legion Family.

All members of Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 as of record on September 15, 2015 shall be recognized as a "**CHARTER**" member of Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1. Members may belong to any American Legion Family group, but you can only belong to one American Legion Rider Chapter.

### **Wear of American Legion Emblem**

The American Legion Riders back patch, as copyrighted and sold by The American Legion's Emblem Sales Division, is the only authorized back patch for wear by all current members of Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1. No other back patch or back patch design is authorized for wear as an ALR emblem.

### **Finance**

Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 is a Post level program of the American Legion; therefore, no dues structure exists. Minneapolis Post One shall have a line item budget for the ALR of \$1. Any monies raised by Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders Chapter 1 shall be deposited into that line item budget.

### **Amendments**

An amendment to this SOP may be proposed by a quorum majority vote of ALR Chapter 1 and be presented in writing to the Commander of Minneapolis Post One. For final approval of the proposed amendment, it must first come before the Minneapolis Post One Executive Committee and gain a passing vote for it to be adopted.

### **Liability**

As defined in the MNALR SOP.