

Group Riding

Indicate the Leader and Tail rider to the whole group.

Ensure that all group members have the mobile telephone numbers of other group members in case of emergency.

Ensure all members of the group know the route to be taken, destination and any stop-off/rest points.

Ride in a staggered pattern. This ensures that any emergency stopping procedures do not cause havoc with those behind. It may not be possible to ride staggered at all times, i.e. at bends and narrow tracks, therefore be mindful of those in front, behind and to the side of you.

Ensure you can see the rider in front and the rider behind in your mirrors.

Ride to the speed of the rider behind you, i.e. if that rider appears to be further away then slow sufficiently for them to catch up.

Keep to the speed limits on all roads.

Ride within your limits. Don't try and keep up with the rider in front if you think they are riding too fast.

Don't rush to overtake other vehicles just because the leading riders have done so. Wait until the road ahead is safe and indicate that you are about to do so.

When you have overtaken another vehicle ensure that there is room behind you for the next rider to overtake.

All riders in the group should use their indicators to signal at all junctions.

If someone needs to stop then turn your headlight off. This will alert the rider in front who should then turn their headlight off and so on until the group leader notices and finds a safe place for the whole group to pull over.

In an emergency, the rider stopping should be joined by all those behind. Those in front will then realise what has happened and stop as above.

Finally, if you do feel the need to speed off ahead of the group, don't expect anyone to join you, enjoy your blast and then wait until the group catches up and rejoin behind the leader.