

Responsibilities of Delegates to AMA Congress

AMA Congress Delegates are elected by, and represent the interests of, the AMA Chartered Promoting Clubs and Promoters within the Association's geographical AMA Districts. These clubs and promoters organize and conduct a wide variety of AMA sanctioned activities in accordance with the rules and regulations provided by the AMA.

The purpose of the AMA Congress is provided for in the AMA Code of Regulations, Article IX. Section 1. Purpose (of AMA Congress), which follows:

“There shall be an AMA Congress, representing the interests of the autonomous clubs and promotional organizations that conduct meets sanctioned by the Corporation, and such other representatives as the Directors of the Corporation shall from time to time determine.

“The AMA Congress shall consist of a Competition Division and a Road and Off-Road Recreation Riding Division which shall consider, promulgate, amend, interpret, and provide for the enforcement of rules and publications of guidelines pertaining to recreational riding activity and standard and pro-am competition events sanctioned by the Corporation.

“In addition, the appropriate division of AMA Congress shall make non-binding recommendations on rules and guidelines promulgated by AMA Competition Affiliates and Road Riding Affiliates as provided for in Article XII.

“In addition, the AMA Congress shall consider matters relating to general membership services and make non-binding recommendations thereon.

“The Directors shall have the power to review, approve, modify, and revoke any action taken by the AMA Congress.”

In general, the AMA Congress has authority over the Association's rules for sanctioned amateur activity and may recommend policies and procedures related to membership services to the administrative staff and the Board of Directors. Final authority for all such matters rests with the AMA Board of Directors.

All AMA Congress Delegates are invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the AMA Congress, convened to carry out the business and responsibilities of the AMA Congress, including consideration and promulgation of changes to the rules governing AMA sanctioned activities.

AMA Congress Delegates are not spokespersons for the Association. They do not individually or collectively determine policy, nor act as agents on behalf of the Association.

It is the responsibility of Delegates of the AMA Congress to:

1. Represent objectively, faithfully, and accurately the interests of all chartered clubs/promoters within their AMA District, above their own interests and interests of their home club.
2. Bring forward to the AMA administrative staff, the Board of Directors, and the annual AMA Congress information, issues, and suggestions that are in the interest of the Association.
3. Acquire a working knowledge of key Association documents including the Code of Regulations, Guidelines for District Organizations, and rules for amateur and road riding activity. AMA Congress Delegates should make a special effort to become knowledgeable of current rules.
4. Avoid personal involvement at the local level with protests or appeals arising out of sanctioned activity; this, because AMA Congress Delegates will be expected to participate in these proceedings at the national level.
5. Promote cooperation, consensus and harmony of organizations within the AMA District.
6. Provide information aimed at expanding organized activity within their AMA District.
7. Promote the interests of the Association, including growth of membership.
8. Participate throughout the year in AMA Congress committee activities and support discipline managers as may be required.

Individuals who cannot conscientiously meet these responsibilities should not seek nor accept nomination for election to the AMA Congress.