



AMA Recreational Riding Commission Guidelines

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Important Dates for 2021

- First quarter commission meetings – **January 2021**
- Second quarter commission meetings – **April 2021**
- Third quarter commission meetings – **August 2021**
- Commission member applications for upcoming 2-year term due – **Sept. 1, 2021**
- Commission recommendations and agenda items for AMA Congress due – **Oct. 31, 2021**
- Commission meetings at AMA Congress – **December 2021**

Section 1. Purpose

AMA Recreational Riding Commissions are the volunteer bodies that discuss ways to enhance and promote recreational riding events sanctioned by the American Motorcyclist Association.

Section 2. Structure

Individual AMA Recreational Riding Commissions represent a recreational riding discipline sanctioned by the AMA or a general area that affects multiple types of riding.

A. Discipline-based AMA Recreational Riding Commissions are:

1. **AMA Road Riding Commission:** Road run, field meet, scavenger hunt
2. **AMA Adventure/Dual Sport Commission:** Adventure ride, dual sport ride
3. **AMA Trail/Off-Road Riding Commission:** Trail ride, family enduro
4. **AMA Special Interest Commission:** Women riders, handicap riders, etc.

Section 3. AMA Commission Members

Each AMA Recreational Riding Commission appointee shall serve a two-year term beginning in January. Applications must be submitted by **September 1** for the term beginning the following January. Appointees may serve multiple terms. Terms start in January and last two (2) years. The current term cycle is January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022. Commission members are only appointed at the beginning of each scheduled two-year term. At times, it may be necessary to appoint a new member during the term; this is at the discretion of the AMA and only under special circumstances.

AMA Recreational Riding Commission appointees may include the following:

1. A representative from Recognized District Organization (RDO)
2. A representative of an AMA-chartered promoter or club
3. An AMA member
4. A noted expert in the discipline represented by the particular commission

AMA Recreational Riding Commission appointment procedures are:

1. Completed commission member applications must be submitted to the AMA by **September 1** before the beginning of the next two-year term.
2. Applications will be reviewed and nominated by the AMA Director of Member Activity for appointment by the AMA President.
3. Appointees must be AMA members in good standing and complete the following training within three months of appointment:
 - a. AMA EAGLES
 - b. AMA Risk Management Workshop (Completed affidavit must be submitted.)

Section 4. AMA Commission Member Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of AMA Recreational Riding Commission members to:

1. Attend the annual AMA Congress and participate in the scheduled commission meetings.
2. Accept and organize recommendations from AMA members. AMA Recreational Riding appointees shall attend events and solicit information from AMA members, and be prepared to discuss these issues with their AMA Commission.

3. Submit recommendations and agenda items through the official process for any upcoming agendas.
4. Provide assistance to AMA staff regarding research and operational issues.
5. Assist or serve as an AMA representative at AMA-sanctioned events, as necessary.
6. Provide on-site operational assistance to AMA staff at AMA-sanctioned events on an as needed basis.
7. Represent objectively, faithfully and accurately the interests of AMA-sanctioned riding activity.
8. Promote cooperation, consensus and harmony among other organizations and the AMA.
9. Promote the interests of the AMA, including growth of membership.
10. Participate throughout the year in AMA Recreational Riding Commission activities and support AMA staff as may be required.

Individuals who cannot conscientiously meet these responsibilities should not seek nor accept a nomination for an AMA Recreational Riding Commission appointment.

Section 5. Meetings

AMA Recreational Riding Commissions meet annually at AMA Congress. AMA staff will notify appointees of the date and location of AMA Congress at least 90 days before the meeting.

At the annual AMA Congress, AMA Commission appointees will:

- A. Participate in discussions that advance their responsibilities to consider, disseminate, amend, interpret and assist in the promotional and operation of recreational riding events sanctioned by the AMA.
- B. Discuss recommendations and best practices submitted in the agenda.
- C. In accordance with procedures established by the AMA, elect a chairperson for each AMA Recreational Riding Commission. Chairpersons must be present at the AMA Congress during which they are elected.

Agenda content for the annual AMA Commission meetings at AMA Congress in Columbus should include all recommendations, along with any other items needing discussion. All Commission agendas must be reviewed and approved by the Director of Member Activity prior to the meeting.

Additional meetings of AMA Recreational Riding Commissions may be convened by the AMA Commission chairperson or the AMA. These additional meetings may be conducted in person, by telephone, or by some other form of electronic conferencing system in coordination with AMA staff.

Agenda content for AMA Commission meetings scheduled in the spring or summer should include any tabled recommendations or items from the previous AMA Congress, and possible items for discussion in preparation of the upcoming annual AMA Congress meeting. This timeline will allow the AMA Commissions to have follow up to any tabled proposals from the previous AMA Congress or time sensitive discussions in the spring/summer.

New proposals may be added under “New Business” in the agenda at the meeting, but only for discussion if time permits.

Provided all AMA Commission appointees have been notified of an AMA Commission meeting, 25 percent of the appointees of the AMA Commission constitutes a quorum.

Section 6. AMA Commission Eligibility Advisory Panel

The AMA President, in coordination with the AMA Commission Eligibility Advisory Panel, may remove any member from an AMA Commission for any acts or omissions that involve moral turpitude, felonious crimes, fraud, improper conflict of interest, breach of fiduciary duty or disloyalty to the AMA or acts that bring the AMA into disrepute for any reason.

The AMA President shall appoint members to the Commission Eligibility Advisory Panel.

Two appointees to the AMA Recreational Riding Eligibility Advisory Panel will be selected from AMA staff, and two appointees to the panel will be selected from current AMA Commission members.

The AMA Commission Eligibility Advisory Panel will advise the AMA President with respect to the ongoing eligibility of individual appointees to AMA Recreational Riding Commissions. The panel will evaluate appointees for acts or omissions that involve moral turpitude, felonious crimes, fraud, improper conflict of interest, breach of fiduciary duty or disloyalty to the AMA or acts that bring the AMA into disrepute for any reason.

Section 7. Emeritus Program

Upon the completion of 20 years of service as an elected Congress Delegate or an AMA Recreational Riding appointee, an individual will be recognized as an Emeritus member of AMA Congress. Emeritus members will be invited to attend annual AMA Congress meetings as non-voting members. Emeritus members may continue to apply for commission appointments.