

# Columbia Wings Oregon Chapter “P”

## Group Lead Rider Position

### Job Description

Title	Group Lead Rider
Department(s)	Chapter Member
Reports to	Chapter Ride Coordinator

#### Basic Responsibilities:

- Know the riding skill level of the group members you are leading, so that you do not attempt to lead beyond their ability.
- Explain the formations to be used during transit.  
i.e. Rider locations within the group, staggered formation concept, etc.
- Know when to ask the group to keep closed up.
- If required, explain the lane numbers. i.e. lane #1 is the fastest or left lane
- Group Leader selects his/her own Sweep Rider.
- Maintain the integrity of the group.
- When the Sweep rider advises that one of the group is having a problem and that they are leaving the group, the Group Leader brings the group to a safe place to pull off and wait for the Sweep Rider to report.
- Slow down, or stop if necessary, when the Sweep Rider tells you that part of the group didn't make the light, etc.
- Group Leader's role is to maintain the group in a safe manner.
- If there is more than one (1) group, work with other Group Leaders to determine group #'s when using the C.B.
- You and/or your co-rider should point at any hazards you may see on the road, for the bikes behind you, even if you have already said something about it on the C.B.

#### Summary of Essential Responsibilities:

- Provide leadership for the group while in transit
- Know and explain routes to predetermined destination's
- If distance dictates, select rest stops and stay to the plan
- Recognize and obey all vehicle code rules and regulations
- Communicate with Chapter Ride Coordinator on monthly activities as needed
- Working with the Chapter Rider Coordinator prepare each ride route as needed
- Be an ad hock member of any chapter sub-committee as needed

**Minimum requirements:**

- Must have group riding experience
- Must have a working CB equipped motorcycle
- Must have a basic first aid kit with the motorcycle
- Must carry extra water with the motorcycle
- Good communicator
- Patient / Enjoys coaching others
- **Should** have cell phone for calling **911** if necessary

**Abilities required:**

- Ability to work as a team member

**Additional information:**

- If any member indicates by voice or action/attitude that they don't wish to, or are unable to follow the rules of the group, the Group Leader/Sweep Rider, has the responsibility and duty to counsel that member and if necessary, strongly suggest they remove themselves from the group while in transit. The bottom line is "Safety First" and we should all assume the responsibility for the safety of fellow group members.

**Additional issues to consider when leading a group:**

- When and where do we eat?
- What is the range of the smaller cruisers before they need gas?
- What is the groups experience level?
- Are we going the speed limit, a little more, a little less?
- Who is carrying a first aid kit?
- Does everyone have emergency contact information on his or her bike?

**Disclaimer:**

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of the role being performed by a Group Ride Leader who volunteers for this position. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required of a chapter member. All chapter members may be required to perform duties outside of their normal responsibilities from time to time, as needed.