

Temporary Precautions for BIKES Club Rides During the COVID-19 Crisis

Some of these precautions will temporarily override other information on these web pages.

Update for July 25th, 2021: BIKES Club Board of Directors passed a motion to set a club limit of 12 maximum (or less) riders per group including the Ride Leader. This was also announced at the picnic on July 31st, 2021.

- BIKES Club rides are temporarily for BIKES Club members only.
- Work is underway toward allowing non-members a one-time ride participation as a guest before joining.
- Rides on the Calendar page will be visible for the Public to see our activities and perhaps join.
- **All rides require online registration as described in the ride posting.**

Update for June 30th, 2021: Washington state's [COVID-19 Reopening Guidance for Businesses and Workers](#) went into effect that reduced or eliminated restrictions for outdoor activities such as bicycle club rides.

BIKES Club Rides During the COVID-19 Crisis

The following precautions should be understood by all BIKES Club riders and Ride Leaders to help ensure the health and safety of everyone involved.

We all need to be vigilant in maintaining good social distancing of 6 feet or more between each other with all activities until further notice. The primary social contact opportunities during a bike ride are check-in, traffic stops, and rest stops where social distancing of at least 6 feet is needed. Social distancing during a ride is easy when at least three (3) bike lengths of open space between bikes is maintained.

If you do not feel well, please stay home. Riders must not have any COVID-19 symptoms as identified by the [CDC](#).

Riders shall bring for themselves a face mask for areas where required or when desired.

Ride Leaders for all BIKES Club rides shall:

- **Limit each ride group to not more than 12 members, including the Ride Leader, per the ride posting.**
- Online Registration has the electronic waiver and provides a record of who was on that ride which can be used for contact tracing purposes if a rider is later diagnosed with COVID-19.
- Club insurance is in effect when legal and club requirements are being met.
- Club insurance covers medical bills resulting from athletic injuries on a BIKES Club ride and do not cover illness/sickness/disease.
- Ride Leader is responsible to know and follow restrictions in counties, states, etc. the ride will go through.
- Ride Leader shall "check-in" riders at the ride start or later within a week.
- In the pre-ride briefing include stating:
 - The importance of maintaining social distance of 6 feet while stopped and at least three (3) bike lengths between bikes while riding.
 - No spitting and cover all nose blows, coughs and sneezes when anyone is behind while rolling or downwind when stopped.

These precautions will continue until the COVID-19 situation subsides.

Have a great ride!

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