



**Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department
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Group Riding Safety



Group rides can be fun, but every rider must remain predictable, follow traffic laws, and respect others using the road or trail. Speeding, performing wheelies, weaving through traffic, and blocking roadways can quickly lead to crashes and serious injuries.

It's recommended to keep right and leave room for other vehicles to pass. Ride in a single file when needed, on narrow or winding roads, for better visibility and control. Be aware of your position relative to cars and avoid traveling in their blind spots. Communication is key, so call out hazards, turns, and speed changes. Everyone is responsible for pointing out hazards and helping the group stay safe.

Ride smart. Stay in control. Make choices that keep the entire group and community safe.

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SAFE GROUP RIDING

Riding in a group can be fun,
but how you ride matters.



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GROUP RIDING: DOS AND DON'TS

RIDE SMART. RIDE RESPECTFULLY.

DO

1

Ride single file
when needed



2

Keep right and
leave room to pass



3

Call out hazards
and communicate



4

Obey traffic
signals and signs



DON'T

1

Don't block
roads or trails



2

Don't weave through
traffic or pedestrians



3

Don't ignore
stop signs or
red lights



4

Don't ride
unpredictably



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TAKEOVERS AND THE RISKS

RECKLESS RIDING PUTS EVERYONE AT RISK.



1 | LOSS OF CONTROL

Stunts like wheelies reduce control and increase the risk of crashes and falls.



SERIOUS INJURY



2 | SPEEDING AND AGGRESSIVE RIDING

High speeds and aggressive riding reduces reaction time and increases crash severity.



TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS



3 | NO HELMET

Riding without a helmet greatly increases the risk of serious head injury and makes crashes far more dangerous.



HIGHER RISK OF HEAD INJURY



4 | TAKEOVERS BLOCK ROADS

Blocking lanes and swarming streets endangers everyone—including riders, drivers, and pedestrians.



RISK TO PEDESTRIANS AND DRIVERS

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