

Knights on Bikes (KonB) By-Laws



ARTICLE ONE (1) – NAME and LOGO

Section 1: The organization name shall be stated and recognized as being the Knights on Bikes.

Section 2: The logo for the Knights on Bikes shall be acknowledged and implemented as shown in this instrument and not be amended or altered, except for their prospective dioceses.

ARTICLE TWO (2) - PURPOSE

Section 1: The purpose of the Knights on Bikes (KonB) shall be to enjoy camaraderie with our brothers of faith as motorcycle riders. To offer assistance to any Knight, The Catholic Church, individuals, charities and the communities in which we live through charitable work and leadership. To promote the spiritual needs of the Knights of Columbus and to strive to encourage faith, fellowship and service.

Section 2: We are non-profit organization.

ARTICLE THREE (3) – BY-LAWS

Section 1: Knights on Bikes adopts these by-laws in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus by-laws, save and except for any conflicts, wherein the Knights of Columbus by-laws supersedes.

<u>ARTICLE FOUR (4) – MEMBERSHIP</u>

Section 1: First and foremost, we are Knights of Columbus members and keep with our mission and goals. The KonB members will honor and practice our spiritual beliefs and this organization shall not conflict with our religious or civil duties.

Section 2: All members of KonB must be active and in good standing in his KC council with all dues up to date.

Section 3: Any new members that want to join our Fraternal Order shall be active with his Knights of Columbus council. The new members' sponsor will be responsible for encouraging the new member Knights' to attend and become active with his local council for at least the 1st year of membership.

Section 4: The colors will be earned by attending no less than four (4) KC meetings or more within the first 6 months after receiving his 1st degree. Special considerations will be made with the President of State or President of Diocese for members that work in the evenings.

Section 5: During the initial 6 month period, a KonB member will NOT be considered a Prospect. They will be considered a candidate or 1st Degree Knight; thereafter being known as a KonB.

Section 6: All present KC members that ride will be known as KonB, if he wishes to be 100% active member, it will be automatic as long as he is active and in good standings in his council.

- Section 7: All Knights any bikes, can be KonB. In the event you are unable to ride (for any and all reasons) you still must attend KonB gatherings in area to be considered an active KonB member. If you no longer own a bike or intend owning one within 6 months...you will still be a worthy Knight of Columbus, but will be dropped from the KonB roster.
- Section 8: All membership forms must be forwarded to their National KonB to be entered in their Data Bank.

ARTICLE FIVE (5) – Chain of Command

Section 1: The following shall be the Chain of Command for the KonB:

- a) The Founders will always be held in high regards;
- b) The President of KonB, USA or Canada will be the command of their Nation;
- c) President of State (P.O.S);
- d) President of Diocese (P.O.D);
- e) Council Captain (C.C);
- Section 2: Some dioceses are huge with large areas. The P.O.S will be appointed by the President, of KonB, USA or Canada an alternate, will be elected by members of their local KonB council.
- Section 3: The P.O.D will appointed by the P.O.S. The P.O.D will determine with the P.O.S if it is necessary to appoint a C.C. in there council.

ARTICLE SIX (6) – Colors

Section 1: The vest will be as follows:

- a) Leather or cloth
- b) On back of vest, place a gold cross between the shoulder blades
- c) The KC crest cannot be smaller than 10 inches and shall be centered from lower part of cross and the bottom of the vest
- d) Front left chest side will be a 4 inch KC crest. If a resident of the United States of America and a USA flag patch is presented on the vest, it SHALL be situated on the left hand side and above the KC crest.
 - a. If resident of any other country, its country flag patch SHALL be situated according to the County's protocol.
- e) KonB patch will be worn on the front right chest and a state patch SHALL be situated above the patch.
- f) Any other patches may be affixed to the FRONT of the vest at any location other than what is described above.

- g) Not required to wear vest at all times when riding, either alone or in groups. Use at your own discretion and should be used while KonB rides or functions. (unless otherwise instructed by POS or POD or if weather is over 90 degrees)
- h) May also be worn to any church mass or functions, even if you are not riding said time.

ARTICLE SEVEN (7) – Who We Are

Section 1:

AT NO TIME WILL BE CONSIDERED A MOTORCYCLE CLUB (MC) or A GANG. WE ARE ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS THAT RIDE A BIKE FOR CHRIST AND TO SPREAD THE WORD. ANYONE CAN RIDE WITH US WITH PERMISSION OF THE ROAD CAPTAIN. WE IN-TURN CAN RIDE WITH ANYONE OR ANY GROUP THAT DOES NOT OBJECT.

WE ARE RECOGNIZED WORLDWIDE BY OUR VEST.

ARTICLE EIGHT (8) – MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1:

These By-Laws may be amended by a majority of the Founding Charter Members that are in good standing with the Knights of Columbus within their own council.

By-Laws Adopted May 9, 2010

Amended -03/24/11 Amended 01/14/12 Amended 09/23/12

Founding Charter Members - April 2005

Sk Raymond C. Medina
Founder

Sk Willie C. Davidson
President & Co-Founder

Sk Fred Galindo
Sk Michael Savage
2nd Vice-President



In God We Trust And Ride

"In Service to One, In Service to All"

Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism