

GMC CASCADER CHAPTER STANDING RULES ADOPTED JUNE 15, 2008 AT LA GRANDE, OR.

(revised 12/20/2011)

Unlike the Cascader/FMCA Bylaws, these are not sent to FMCA for their file and do not have to be approved by FMCA. These are for local governance of the Cascaders and may be added to or deleted, depending on the wishes of the membership and board. Each change to the standing rules however must be voted upon and approved by the membership.

Standing Rules shall not be used to circumvent Chapter Bylaws, but shall detail other rules that are necessary for the Chapter operation and may be easily changed without amending Chapter Bylaws. Discretion shall be exercised to insure that a rule is really necessary and not frivolous.

STANDING RULES:

ARTICLE III - MEMBERS:

A. DUES & FEES, ANNUAL DUES:

Annual dues renewal date is October 1st, each year. Dues are payable by November 15th each year and are delinquent December 1st. The Club FMCA report is due to the National Office by the end of December. Members who have not paid their dues cannot be included in this FMCA report, and as a result, insurance coverage becomes an issue. Further, the roster that is published in January will not be current. Members are encouraged to assist the club in keeping its records in order. As approved by the Cascader membership, annual membership fees are \$20.00 for one year, \$40 for two years. New memberships will be charged \$33 for one member, \$45 for two members which include a design name tag and a window placard for their coach.

3. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Honorary membership may be bestowed to members that are surviving spouses. If the surviving spouse has current FMCA membership then they will be an Honorary Member. If they do not have current FMCA membership then they will be an Honorary Guest at rallies and activities. No dues are required for Honorary Members or Honorary Guests. To become an Honorary Member or Guest you need to submit your request to the Club board for consideration.

STANDING RULES:

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS, DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

DURATION OF TERM:

The terms of the Chapter officers and Directors shall begin on January 1st of each year and will be for one year. Elections for club officers will take place at the December rally each year, with nominations being held for officers at the Fall rally.

The Vice Presidents, Secretary and/or Treasurer shall serve no more than four (4) consecutive one year terms in one position without at least a one year break in duties. The President shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive one year terms without at least a one year break in duties. The National Director and Alternate National Director may serve consecutive terms without limits. Any officer may serve in a different capacity immediately, without the consecutive year rule applying. The Vice President has oversight responsibility for member and publication services.

A. PRESIDENT:

The President is the principal executive officer of the GMC Cascader's and exercises supervision and control of its affairs, including presiding over all meetings of the Chapter membership.

B. FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:

1. The first Vice-President assists the President and performs duties assigned by the President.

2. Shall preside in the absence of the President in any meeting, or in his inability fulfill the duties of the President

3. The First Vice President should be prepared to succeed the President.

4. The First Vice-President will maintain copies of the club Newsletters for historical purposes.

C. SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT:

1. The Second Vice-President shall serve as Wagon Master. The primary duty of the Wagon Master is to find locations for rallies during the year and to present these findings to the Executive Committee for approval. The Wagon Master should expect and utilize help from all elected officers and from the members at large.

2. It is the responsibility of the Wagon Master, with the help of the Executive Committee and the entire membership, to solicit hosts for rallies. Once a host or hosts have volunteered, the Wagon Master will coordinate and assist them, when requested, and will provide them with a set of guidelines for the hosts.

3. The maintenance and storage of Chapter supplies shall be the responsibility of the Wagon Master.

4. The Wagon Master will maintain copies of all the rallies for historical purposes.

D. SECRETARY:

1. Take and keep records and minutes of membership meetings and be prepared to read them to the membership when called upon by the President.

2. Take and keep records of Executive Committee meeting and provide copies to members, if requested.

3. Comply with Article VI-4 of FMCA Chapter Bylaws.

4. Publish a roster each January and July and make available to members.

5. Maintain and keep current the chapter roster and have available to the membership on the website.

6. Process new memberships and membership renewals for the Chapter.

E. TREASURER:

1. Receive, safeguard and hold all Chapter funds in the name of GMC Cascaders, and serve as trustee and fiscal agent.

2. Keep accurate records of all Chapter funds and render reports on same at each business meeting or as many as may be required by the Executive Committee.

3. Disburse Chapter funds only for authorized purposes.

4. Insure that an annual audit is conducted in compliance with FMCA Bylaw VI-5.

5. Expenditures over \$500.00 must be approved by the membership.

STANDING RULES:

ARTICLE VI - CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION

1. AUTHORITY: This Chapter shall be democratically self-governed, deriving its existence and authority from the consent of its membership assembled in meeting or, in certain instances, by mail vote on stated propositions. Any member who violates or shows disregard for the FMCA or Cascader Bylaws & Standing Rules, or commits unlawful acts or other personal misconduct will be subject to censure by the GMC Cascader Executive Board, and shall be subject to expulsion from the Chapter. If the violation is punishable under State or local laws, the violation must be reported to authorities. Final authority for the expulsion of members of this chapter and for the recall of officers shall rest with the chapter members.

ARTICLE VI - CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION

3. CHAPTER MEETINGS:

A. TYPES: The term "meeting" shall include coach rallies, campouts, dinner meetings, and any other gatherings suitable to the function of the Chapter. There will be six maximum rallies per year that are executive board sanctioned. \$300 is allotted from the club treasury for each executive board sanctioned rally. The \$300 is to be used for rally fees and expenditures and is included in the reconciled rally costs that are submitted to the club treasurer. This standing rule is to be reviewed on a yearly basis, by each June.

STANDING RULES:

NATIONAL & ALTERNATE DIRECTOR

F. NATIONAL DIRECTOR:

1. The National Director shall represent the GMC Cascaders on the governing board of the National FMCA. The National Director has no responsibilities as an officer of the Cascader Executive Board

G. ALTERNATE NATIONAL DIRECTOR:

1. The Alternate National Director shall assume the duties of the National Director if he or she is unable to perform. The National Director has no responsibilities as an officer of the Cascader Executive Board