

**BYLAWS OF THE  
UTAH COUNTY SHERIFF  
JEEP PATROL**

*(Revised December 2009)*

**c. Rider Member:**

1. A rider member is defined as a person in training as per Article XVI.
2. Applicant for rider membership shall be a resident of Utah and shall be a minimum of 21 years of age, must hold a license and must have no-fault insurance coverage on all vehicles he intends to use in Jeep patrol and VIPS activities.
3. A rider member must be a person of good moral character with a history of obedience to the law. A rider member must be approved by the Sheriff of Utah County.
4. A rider member shall pay a \$24.00 application fee for the 1<sup>st</sup> years dues in advance.
5. A rider member shall sign and take oath of office, a copy of which can be found in Article V herein.
6. After an applicant has completed the above-outlined requirements and has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Jeep Patrol, he/she shall be voted in by the regular membership as a rider member.
7. A rider member shall be assigned a radio call number. His/Her call number will be assigned by the board. Numbers will start at 1J951R and can expand to 1J958R. A maximum of 7 riders will be allowed in any calendar year.
8. A rider member will answer to the board through the rider member liaison.
9. A rider member will serve a probationary period of at least 1 year. At the conclusion of his/her probation, the board of directors will determine if membership can be offered, if probation should be extended, or if rider member should be terminated.
10. A rider member can be terminated at any time for lack of performance or bylaws non compliance.
11. A rider member will always be accompanied by a regular member or a deputy with any assignment.

## **ARTICLE XVI**

### **APPLICATION FOR RIDER MEMBERSHIP**

1. An application shall be filled out by a prospective rider member.
2. Attached to the application shall be a summary of pertinent information concerning the prospective rider member, such as biographic data, education, training, skills, etc.
3. The above items shall be submitted to the Board of Directors acting as a membership committee.
4. The commander shall forward this information to the Sheriff's office for approval.
5. After approval, by the sheriff's office, applicant shall attend a board meeting for evaluation by the Board of Directors.
6. After Board of Directors approval, the applicant shall be invited to attend the next regular meeting of the Utah County Sheriff Jeep Patrol to acquaint himself/herself with the organization and its functions.
7. At the next regular meeting, the quorum in attendance shall vote on applicant's rider membership.
8. The Board shall be responsible to acquaint the applicant with the organization's activities.
9. Before the rider member can be considered to become a regular member he/she must have completed the VIPS training program, within the first year of service. Failure to do so will be grounds for termination.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **EXPULSION AND DISCIPLINE**

1. Any member may be expelled from the Utah County Sheriff Jeep Patrol, or otherwise disciplined, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. However, said expelled or disciplined member shall have the right to request reconsideration of said expulsion or discipline, by the Board of Directors within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notification of such action, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to said members home address.
2. If the Board and expelled or disciplined member are still not in agreement after such reconsideration, said member may appeal said discipline or expulsion within sixty (60) days to the regular membership at a regular meeting. Said discipline or expulsion must

be sustained by a majority vote of all voting members in attendance at said regular meeting.

3. Until all appeals are completed, the disciplined or expelled member status shall be in suspension, having no vote, right to office, or right to attend call-outs or functions unless said suspension is modified by the Board of Directors during the appeal period.