

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. BYLAWS

By-laws as established 8/26/75, ratified 1/13/77.

Amended 1/13/78, ratified 5/9/78.

Amended 10/93, ratified 11/1/93.

Amended 11/95, ratified 1/13/96

Bylaws effective

1. There is only one qualification for membership, that being the payment of dues established by the State Board of Directors. No group or class is required to join. No group or class is denied membership.
2. The election of State Officers of the State Board of Directors shall be held at the last meeting of each year by the voting membership of the State Board of Directors. The number of State Officers of the State Board of Directors shall be at least, but not limited to, five. Vacancies of State Officer positions may be filled by appointment by the State Coordinator, pending ratification at the next state board meeting by the State Board of Directors.
3. The State Executive Board shall be comprised of the following State Officers:
 - A.Coordinator
 - B.Vice-Coordinator North
 - C.Vice-Coordinator South
 - D.Vice-Coordinator East
 - E.Treasurer
 - F.Membership Secretary
 - G.Recording Secretary
4. The State Executive Board, by simple majority, has the authority to:
 - A.Issue statements on the behalf of the organization
 - B.Expend funds
 - C.Take any action deemed necessary to accomplish the goals of the organization.
5. All members of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. shall join and work together for:
 - A.Education programs to assist all motorcyclists, especially the young and/or novice rider, to reduce accidents.
 - B.Public awareness programs promoting motorcycling
 - C.Fair motorcycle legislation
6. All funds obtained from membership fees, donations, and organizational benefits shall be used for:
 - A.Rider and non-rider education
 - B.Distribution of information
 - C.Legislative action
 - D.General costs incurred in the operation of the organization itself, none of which shall go to any member or officer with the exception of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenditures directly related to A.B.A.T.E. activities authorized by the State Board of Directors and/or State Executive Board.
7. The Rules of Operation for A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. shall be used as the basis for day to day operations.

State Coordinator _____

State Vice-Coordinator North _____

State Vice-Coordinator South _____

State Vice-Coordinator East _____

State Treasurer _____

Membership Secretary _____

Recording Secretary _____

Bylaws effective _____ as approved

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
Rules of Operation 1/13/96

NAME: This organization, hereinafter referred to as ABATE, is legally known as A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. which stands for A BROTHERHOOD AGAINST TOTALITARIAN ENACTMENTS.

2. **JURISDICTION:** ABATE shall:
 - A. Have jurisdiction of all members, chapters and use of name and logo within the state of Oregon.
 - B. Maintain equitable relations between all its members and chapters.
 - C. Assure the democratic right to assemble, voice opinions and take action on matters of mutual interest to motorcyclists.
3. **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:**
 - A. **MEMBERSHIP**
 1. Applications:
 - a. Membership in ABATE shall be obtained and maintained through application to ABATE.
 - b. Each application for membership shall be accompanied by dues established by the State Board of Directors and submitted to the State Membership Secretary.
 - c. Memberships are non-assessable, non-transferable, non-assignable and non-refundable.
 - d. Each member will decide which chapter they want to belong to, or may to decide to be a Member-At-Large(Indian Creek).
 - e. ABATE membership records will remain confidential, and will be used ONLY for ABATE purposes.
 2. Termination: Membership in ABATE will be terminated upon death, written request from the member, non-payment of dues, theft of ABATE assets, or by decision of the Board of Directors.
 3. Duties of Members- It shall be the DUTY of each member of ABATE to:
 - a. Abide by the BYLAWS.
 - b. Conduct themselves in a creditable manner with regards to the organization.
 - c. Bring to the attention of the State Board of Directors' presiding officer any activity that is not in the best interest of ABATE.
 - B. **ABATE CHAPTERS**
 1. To receive a Charter as a Chapter in ABATE a group must:
 - a. Have Ten paid-up members.
 - b. Elect from those paid-up members a Coordinator, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and one State Representative.
 - c. Make application to the State Board of Directors for a charter.
 2. To remain as a Chapter in ABATE the Chapter must:
 - a. Abide by the ABATE Financial Policy and Procedure Manual.
 - b. Send copies of Chapter minutes to the State Coordinator within seven (7) days of the Chapter meeting.
 - c. Insure participation of Chapter State Representatives at State Board of Directors' meetings, unless excused by State Coordinator.
 - d. Submit a monthly Chapter report to the State Newsletter by the 10th of each month.

Any chapter in noncompliance with part 2(a, b or c) of the above four requirements will have voting privileges at State Board of Directors' meetings suspended until brought into full compliance. Chapter in noncompliance of 2 (d) for second month in succession will have voting privileges suspended until brought into full compliance.
 - C. **ABATE STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The State Board of Directors will be the governing body of ABATE and will meet at a time and place to be determined by the State Executive Board.
 - 1) The State Board of Directors will be composed of one State Representative from each chapter, who will constitute the voting membership of the State Board of Directors.
 - 2) A minimum of one-third of the chapters of ABATE must be present and eligible to vote to constitute a quorum.
 - 3) The State Board of Directors will use Robert's Rules of Order as a guideline to conduct meetings.
 - 4) The fiscal year of ABATE will be January 1 through December 31.
 - 5) Motions brought before the State Board of Directors which will directly affect the general membership will be referred to the chapters for discussion and voted on at the next State Board of Directors meeting, unless a delay in voting will cause a disruption in the transaction of business by the organization.
4. **RULES OF OPERATION:**
 - A. The original Rules of Operation became effective July 1, 1980.
 - B. The Rules of Operation have been amended in 4/1983, 4/1984, 4/1986, 6/1989, 11/1993, 1/1995, 1/1996.
 - C. All changes to the Rules of Operations and the Bylaws must appear in the State Newsletter before being voted on by the State Board of Directors.