

## **Rider Owned Number System (RONS)**

### **SCOPE:**

This is official policy of Region 4 of The North American Trail Ride Conference. This statement applies only to Region 4 rides and functions.

### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this document is to establish a uniform color and number size for those who desire to provide their own garment to display the competition number and division color during the ride. A code must be established to provide uniformity in the identification of riders while in competition. The individually selected garment must always easily display the number for identification by all ride staff. If as an example the garment is a zipper or button front it must stay closed to sufficiently display the entire number at all times.

### **DEFINING:**

For reasons of uniform numbering and identification each division has a group of numbers and color assigned. The garment may be of any type that will allow for the unobstructed view of the numbers to be displayed. These colors and numbers must be maintained within criteria as defined below.

**OPEN RIDERS** may wear an outer garment royal or medium blue in color displaying numbers at least 6 inches high. The lines forming the letters must be at least 1 inch wide and be of uniform width throughout the entire group of numbers. The color must allow a vivid contrast with the white numbers as to be easily seen on the trail. Robin's egg blue or deep navy blue is not acceptable. You may at your discretion display your name on the garment, but it must not obscure the required number.

**COMPETITIVE PLEASURE RIDERS** may wear an outer garment kelly or medium green in color displaying numbers at least 6 inches high. The lines forming the letter must be at least 1 inch wide and be of uniform width throughout the entire group of numbers. The color must allow a vivid contrast with the white numbers as to be easily seen on the trail. Light green or chartreuse is not acceptable. You may at your discretion display your name on the garment, but it must not obscure the required number.

**NOVICE RIDERS** may wear an outer garment bright red in color displaying numbers at least 6 inches high. The lines forming the letter must be at least 1 inch wide and be of uniform width throughout the entire group of numbers. The color must allow a vivid contrast with the white numbers as to be easily seen on the trail. Pink or Maroon is not acceptable. You may at your discretion display your name on the garment, but it must not obscure the required number.

### **PROCEDURE:**

To obtain a new number, you should contact the Region 4 RONS Coordinator and request a specific number to be researched for availability or you may ask to be assigned a number. The available number of your choice will be assigned for the ride season. A fee of \$10 will be charged which goes towards maintenance of region owned number vests.

Prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> of the next ride season the rider has the option to renew their number for a fee of \$5. After March 1<sup>st</sup> the number will be released and the fee will be \$10 to reassign it. If the rider wishes to change numbers or move from one division to another the fee will be the same as a new number.

A rider may hold a number in more than one division. The procedure for the procurement for each number is the same as above. Riders will be issued a region owned ride number vest at each competition and may use this in lieu of or along with their own numbered clothing.

After you have procured your number you can enter it in your rider profile on the RMS system. If you change divisions you must change your number in RMS for the rides you enter. If you do not enter a ride your number may be assigned to another rider, that rider will be issued one of the region owned vests.

When procuring numbers keep in mind a generally accepted numbering system used in Region 4:

Novice numbers are red 1 – 49

CP numbers are green 50 - 69

Open numbers are blue 70 - 110

For ride secretaries, the RMS will automatically put rider numbers in the 'assign number list' these should fall into a standard numbering system used in Region 4. Out of region riders who own numbers in their regions will need to be changed and assigned Region 4 owned vests of numbers not in use.

It is the rider's responsibility to insure that ride management is aware that they are using their assigned number under the Rider Owned Number System (RONS). The optional garment will be used at the ride just as a conventional number vest is used. It is not a requirement to procure a RONS number to enter and compete.

**CLOSING:**

Suggestions for garments may be football jerseys that come in sizes that can fit over jackets, rain gear, etc. However any garment that meets the requirements above may be used.