

It is the decision of the Department Commander that the following amended practices and policy be enacted IAW National MOP Sec.518(1)d, to revise the current practices of the Nevada Riders Group:

In 2015 the Nevada Riders Group voted approval, and was enacted by the Department Commander to have only a Department Riders Group, specifically because of the cost of the event liability insurance. Posts are required to carry liability insurance with additionally named insureds as the District, Department, and National. This would not cover the insurance requirements of the VFW Riders Group.

Based on National Resolution 308, the National Commander-in-Chief created a National VFW Riders Group policy which is typically updated frequently as laws, insurance, and practices change. The latest is dated 20171220, which can be found, with necessary forms, on the VFWNV.COM website.

The Department of Nevada will maintain the VFW Riders Group liability insurance – for the Department. Nevada already has on file at National HQ the approval to operate as a State VFW Riders Group with patch approval.

If wearing the VFW Riders Group patch, you represent the VFW, and therefore would be deemed an active program per insurance underwriters. Policy [binder] must contain the names (ID) of each rider, on each event, and must be up to date to be in effect. The cost of the insurance may fluctuate relative to the number of riders.

After extensive research with past State Commanders, past and current Adjutants, and a deep search of records at National Headquarters, there are <u>NO POST Riders Group approved</u> in the State of Nevada.

If a Post wants to be a POST VFW Riders Group, they must apply to the Department for approval with proof of continuing event liability insurance, and proposed patch. All other bylaws must be followed, as the sponsoring Post will be responsible for compliance. With the appropriate proof of insurance, and proposed patch per policy, the Department will, within 10-working days, forward the POST application to National for final registration and approval of the Post Riders Group.

This amended policy is hereby effective, this 22nd day of May, 2020.

By Order of Anthony (Tony) Yarbrough Department of Nevada Commander Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Department of Nevada Adjutant