

H.O.G.® Chapter Impairing Substance Guidelines

Safe and responsible motorcycling activity is a major H.O.G. goal. In this regard:

- The consumption and use of impairing substances is a serious personal responsibility involving the safety and welfare of family, riding friends and the individual H.O.G. member.
- Impairing substance consumption before or during motorcycling activity is not safe, responsible behavior.
- National H.O.G. has no direct operational control over chapter operations. Consumption of impairing substances after a riding activity or at non-riding events is a matter to be decided by the sponsoring dealership and H.O.G. chapter leadership. All such decisions are subject to final review and approval by the sponsoring dealership.
- If the sponsoring dealer and chapter decide that impairing substances may be consumed at a chapter activity, then the recommended approach is either to “Bring Your Own” or to “Buy Your Own” from a vendor licensed and insured to sell the impairing substance.
- Any incident occurring during a motorcycling activity as a result of the participant consuming impairing substances results in no insurance coverage.

Inappropriate Language and Behavior

Some people use profanity and dirty words freely. Some people use foul language when their emotions run high. Other people think they are just being funny. However, there is no excuse for obscene or sexual language, ethical jokes or slurs, or personal attacks using foul language. This includes not only the spoken word but also photos and written material. Chapter members should not be forced to endure dirty words or sexual talk that makes them uncomfortable. Inappropriate patches shall not be worn or displayed on a member’s clothing at any time as a Chapter member. There is no place for this type of language or behavior, and it will not be tolerated in the Santa Maria Harley Owners Group and could be grounds for termination of membership with the Chapter. If the Chapter Manager determines that a member’s conduct is undesirable or contrary to the sponsoring Dealer’s standards or vision the membership may be revoked per National H.O.G. Chapter Charter guidance. This applies to both rider and passenger.