Garioch Road and Gravel



Membership Terms and Conditions

- 1. All members agree to abide by the club constitution, which can be found by visiting the Garioch Road and Gravel club website; www.GariochRoadAndGravel.co.uk
- 2. All members agree to abide by these Terms and Conditions, the Member Code of Conduct, and the Volunteer Code of Conduct, both of which can be found by visiting the Garioch Road and Gravel club website; www.GariochRoadAndGravel.co.uk.
- 3. All riders who attend a Club organised ride should abide by the Rider Code of Conduct (below).
- 4. These terms and conditions apply to members during club activities, and at any time when they are representing the Club including when cycling while wearing items of Club kit.
- 5. In accordance with clause 18 of the Club Constitution, the management group has the right to remove membership for good cause, such as gross or frequent disregard to these Terms and Conditions or Club Constitution.
- 6. Membership of the Club shall be open to persons 18 years old or over.
- 7. No one under the age of 16 is allowed to participate in a Club activity. Juniors aged 16 and 17 year old may participate in Club activities as long as they are accompanied by a parent or guardian who is a member of the Club. The parent or guardian shall be solely responsible for the junior rider.
- 8. The Club uses Spond as an on-line management tool to record and administer membership, and to organise Club activities. All members must sign up to Spond.
- 9. All members' details will be held on Spond. Garioch Road and Gravel will not share your details with any 3rd party.
- 10. All applications to join the Club must be made via Spond.
- 11. All new applications to join the Club will be either accepted or rejected by the club management group. Any person whose application to join the club is rejected has the right to appeal in writing to the management group.
- 12. The ethos of the Club is participation. Participation may be monitored by the management group throughout the year and renewal of membership denied to those who do not participate in Club activities. Participation can take many forms, including, but not limited to: attending Club rides, organising and leading Club rides, and volunteering at Club events,
- 13. The management group may encourage participation by offering a range of rewards to members who do participate. These rewards could include: discount on purchase of

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Club kit, discount on membership fee for the following year, discount on cost of attending Club activities, early bird booking for events that are number restricted, and limiting invites to some Club events to those who have demonstrated a high degree of participation.

- 14. Paid membership is a 12-month subscription with fees due by 30th September each year.
- 15. New members joining part way through the year will be charged a pro-rata subscription fee for their first year of membership based on the membership year starting on 1st October.

When Join	Cost of Membership
1st Oct to 31st Dec	Full amount of annual subscription
1 st Jan to 31 st Mar	Three quarters of annual subscription
1 st April to 30 th June	One half of annual subscription
1 st July to 30 th Sep	One quarter of annual subscription

- 16. A member may withdraw from membership at any time by submitting a notice of withdrawal to the Club (either in writing or by email).
- 17. Membership fees are non-refundable.
- 18. When membership expires, you will be notified via Spond, and must renew within 28 days otherwise you will be deemed no longer a Club member and will no longer enjoy the benefits of Club membership, including invites to participate in Club activities.
- 19. Garioch Road and Gravel operate a number of social media channels. All Members are welcome and encouraged to post content to any of these, or on Spond, however, posts which brings the Club, its members or associated personnel or businesses into disrepute are not welcome and will be removed by administrators. This includes profanity, discrimination, defamatory comments, inappropriate or offensive images or links and any other remark which goes against the constitution of Garioch Road and Gravel.

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Rider Code of Conduct

These terms and conditions apply to members during club rides.

- Be responsible for their own safety and well-being during the ride
- Be responsible for the safety of other riders in the group
- Be friendly and welcoming to other riders, particularly to new members
- Refrain from the use of bad language or racial/sectarian references
- Respect the role of the ride leader and ride supervisor
- Carry In Case of Emergency (ICE) information
- Be prepared for mechanical problems and flat tyres. Riders should carry tools, inflation device and tubes
- · Carry enough fuel and water
- Inform ride leader if intending to leave the ride
- Adhere to ability and fitness requirements
- Comply with the Highway Code and public rights of way, whilst also respecting any environment in which you are involved in cycling activity, by respecting other members of the public, by not littering and by maintaining proper personal behaviour
- Riders should ride single file on busy roads and on quieter lanes, no more than two riders abreast. Where road space is limited and there is a vehicle approaching, riders should revert to riding single file till the road is clear
- Act responsibly at all times and be courteous to all other road and/or trail users.
- When riding in low light conditions, all riders must ensure their bike is fitted with fully functioning lights front and back, for the duration of the ride (or low light conditions).
- Dress appropriately, taking into consideration any likely adverse weather e.g. ice/snow/fog etc.
- Wearing a cycling helmet when riding with the Club is mandatory. The helmet should be undamaged of the correct size and conform to a recognised standard.
- Bikes must be deemed to be road worthy. This means working brakes, gears, maintained tyres inflated correctly and the bike should be the right size for the rider. If the ride leader thinks that your bike is not road/trail safe you will not be allowed to take part in the ride.

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