

Pennsylvania American Legion Rider of the Year Proposal & Instructions

Purpose:

An annual award given to recognize an American Legion Rider member who truly cares for the welfare of others including the community and various organizations. Through their actions, this person shows that they not only understand The Riders Creed but that Rider goes above and beyond for our Veterans and our communities.

Criteria:

1. The recipient shall be a living member in good standing of the American Legion Riders
2. The recipient shall be recognized as having met the following;
 - a. The impact on the lives of others around the environment
 - b. The concern of community and involvement in a cause or situation which benefits others.
 - c. Perform duties that go above and beyond in helping and aiding individuals by displaying extraordinary leadership

Nomination Procedures:

1. The names for all prospective nominees will be submitted to your Regional Director with a letter of nomination reflecting the reason that this person should be qualified as American Legion Rider of the Year.
2. The letter should be limited to a two-page write-up containing information that explains and relates directly to the nominee.
3. NOTE: The nominee for Rider of the Year can be from any of the entities that make up the Legion Riders: A Legionnaire, an Auxiliary member or a Son of the American Legion. If your nominee happens to be a Legionnaire please refrain from detailing their service record within the write-up. As much as we respect their service to this country, this award is about what the nominee has done over the last year as a Legion Rider.

Election Procedure:

Each Region shall elect a Rider of the Year. At the Spring Regional Meeting, the write-ups for the nominees will be read then the winner will be selected by a vote of the Riders in attendance. We will leave it to the Regional Director to decide how to handle the voting process.

The winner of each Regional Election will be that Regions Rider of the Year candidate at the State Convention. The State Rider of the Year selection will be part of the agenda at the Rider State Convention

The State Rider of the Year will be voted on by an election committee comprised of all seven Regional Directors. Each Regional Director will read the write-up of his Regional Rider of the Year to the audience. After all the write-ups are read then the Election Committee will be asked to select one candidate for the State Rider of the Year. A Regional Director will not be permitted to vote for the Rider representing his/her Region.

Once the Regional Directors have cast their votes, we will have the Rider Committee Chairpersons tabulate the votes. The winner of the vote will be the Pennsylvania American Legion Riders - Rider of the Year winner.

In case of a tie vote we will follow Roberts Rules of Order for resolving a tie.

The winner of the Pennsylvania Rider of the Year Award will be the person whose name will be submitted for the American Legion Rider of Honor Nomination.