## CODE OF CONDUCT

Safety is a core value on RIDE THE POINT. Your behavior will affect not only your safety, but the safety of those around you and the perceptions of the communities we ride through. We want each and every one of you to make it back safely to Liberty Station.!

The following is a list of safety guidelines and our Code of Conduct. All participants must understand and adhere to these guidelines on official training rides and on the event. Violation of any of these rules could jeopardize your participation in RIDE THE POINT, the safety of your fellow participants, and the future of the event.

- 1. Bicycles are vehicles under the California Vehicle Code and you are subject to all the rules and regulations of that code. Obey all traffic laws, traffic signals and signs. When on public streets ride as far to the right as is safely possible. Assume car drivers cannot see you.
- 2. Stop at all stop signs and stop lights unless instructed otherwise by SDPD Traffic Control officers.
- 3. Wear your helmet at all times when on your bicycle. This includes while riding in Rest Stops.
- 4. Ride single file and leave at least one bike length between you and the rider in front of you. No drafting. No pacelines. This is a RIDE not a RACE.
- 5. Communicate your intentions. Use verbal alerts to point out potential vehicle hazards. Use hand signals to indicate right turn, left turn, stopping or slowing. Alert others to potential hazards by pointing and/or calling out in a loud, outside voice.
- 6. Look behind you before passing to make sure it is clear. Pass only when it is safe to do so and pass only on the left. When passing, call out loudly, "On your left!"
- 7. Never wear headphones or ear buds while on your bike. The use of cell phones, iPods, mp3 players, radios, walkie talkies, handheld cameras or video cameras, or any other electronic device is prohibited while riding.
- 8. Control your bicycle: Keep at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- 9. RIDE THE POINT is an alcohol- and drug-free event. Do not consume alcohol or use recreational drugs on the ride.
- 10. Emergency Procedures: If an accident occurs requiring medical services, call 911 immediately and direct traffic around the scene. Get the participant's name and wait for emergency personnel to arrive. Do not move an injured person if they are unable to move themselves. Notify a RIDE THE POINT staff member at (619) 794-9051.