

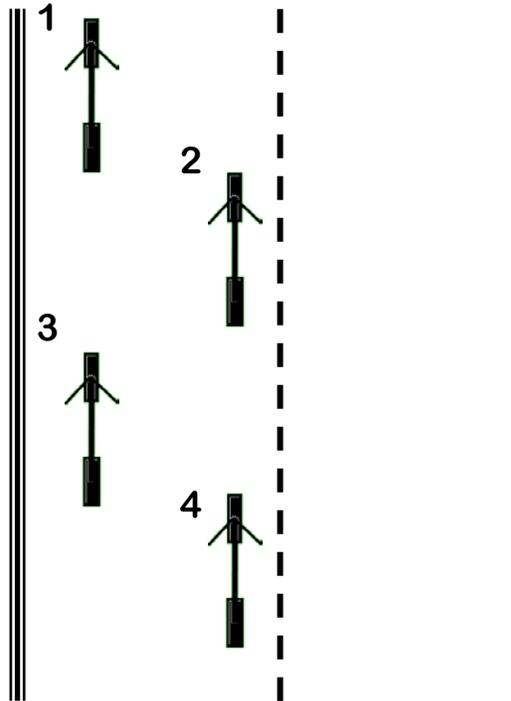
## Team Riding Knowledge Assessment / Summer 2016

Instructions: DO NOT put your name on this page; you are only being evaluated by yourself. Choose the BEST single answer for each question. If you are not sure, give it your BEST GUESS.

- 1) When riding on freeways or congested roads, spacing between bikes should be
  - A.  no different than when riding in the mountains
  - B.  single-file
  - C.  slightly closer than normal secondary roads
  - D.  slightly more spread out
- 2) When is it safe to change lanes without looking over your shoulder?
  - A.  Never
  - B.  When the Leader says they will “take it from the front”
  - C.  When the Tail Gunner says “move when safe”
  - D.  When the “target” vehicle has passed (“lane secure after the Ford pickup”)
- 3) When the rider in front of you holds up one finger, you should
  - A.  Honk, and give them the “finger” back
  - B.  Raise your arm, hold up one finger and maintain position
  - C.  Assume they have to use the bathroom
  - D.  Hold up one finger and get into single-file formation
- 4) When is it appropriate for one or more riders to break formation?
  - A.  When you need to use the bathroom
  - B.  When you don’t agree with the Leader’s route
  - C.  Whenever safety dictates
  - D.  Anytime you’re changing from one freeway to another
- 5) When should you turn on your turn signals for lane changes?
  - A.  As soon as the Leader asks the Tail Gunner to switch lanes
  - B.  When approaching a Stop sign
  - C.  Never--cars are only watching the Leader and Tail Gunner
  - D.  After you’ve checked your mirror, immediately before it’s your turn to change lanes
- 6) When is it OK to pass the rider in front of you?
  - A.  When there is a big gap in front of them and traffic might blend into the group
  - B.  When you’re changing lanes
  - C.  Never
  - D.  Any time, as long as you stay in your track, and they stays in theirs
- 7) If you believe the Leader has made a wrong turn (based upon the stated destination), and it is otherwise safe to do so, you should
  - A.  Follow them anyway, even though you think they’re wrong
  - B.  Go the *correct* direction, assuming the rest of the group will follow you
  - C.  Tell the Leader over the CB what an idiot they are
  - D.  Suggest the Leader learns how to follow a map or a GPS unit
- 8) When riding directly in front of the Tail Gunner and they change lanes, you should
  - A.  Change lanes immediately to be in front of them
  - B.  Maintain speed and position within the group until instructed otherwise
  - C.  Assume they want to be an “outrider” and take over as Tail Gunner
  - D.  Question their group-riding ability

- 9) When you're in the middle of a formation, and a single bike in the group changes lanes, slows down, and heads for the shoulder, you should
- A.  Maintain speed and position within the group until instructed otherwise
  - B.  Follow them over to the shoulder to lend assistance
  - C.  Block traffic for them as they move to the shoulder
  - D.  Stop and call 9-1-1
- 10) If you cannot hear the Leader and Tail Gunner on your CB, but bikes in front and behind are changing lanes, you should
- A.  Turn up your hearing aid
  - B.  Take the hint, and go be an "outrider"
  - C.  Remember you're over 55
  - D.  Assume your radio or headset is not working correctly, and ride as if you had no radio
- 11) "Outriding" is mandatory
- A.  Whenever YOU consider it to be safest for you and/or the group
  - B.  If you lack social skills
  - C.  If you don't have a working CB radio
  - D.  If you eat a lot of beans
- 12) While riding single-file, the group should return to stagger formation
- A.  Whenever the road widens from one to two lanes
  - B.  Only when the road is wide enough to support two parallel tracks
  - C.  Only when instructed by the Leader or Tail Gunner
  - D.  In all School Zones
- 13) When a car next to you is insistent upon splitting the group (e.g., to make a turn or merge into your lane), you should
- A.  Slow down and let them in
  - B.  Speed up and let the Tail Gunner deal with it
  - C.  Urge the group to tighten up
  - D.  Flip them off and let *them* slow down
- 14) The Tail Gunner tells the group that the lane is secure. You look over your shoulder and see that you have to cross over in front of the bike behind you to change lanes, but they won't move; you should
- A.  Cross in front of them anyway
  - B.  Immediately inform the Leader
  - C.  Immediately inform the Tail Gunner
  - D.  Put on your turn signal, point in the direction you need to go, and hold position until they get the hint
- 15) What's the FIRST thing you do when the Tail Gunner tells you the lane is secure and to move when safe?
- A.  Put on your turn signal
  - B.  Check your mirrors
  - C.  Turn your head and look to see if it's clear
  - D.  Start moving toward the open lane

- 16) What's the **SECOND** thing you do when the Tail Gunner tells you the lane is secure?
- Put on your turn signal
  - Check your mirrors
  - Turn your head and look to see if it's clear
  - Start moving toward the open lane



- 17) See the diagram above. The Tail Gunner has already moved and confirmed that one lane to the right is secure and to move when safe. Which bike(s) in the formation move first?
- Everyone moves together
  - Bike 4
  - Bike 1 (Leader)
  - Bikes 2 and 4 move together
- 18) The Tail Gunner has moved out of position to Protect a lane. What should the rest of the group do?
- Wait to see when the Leader moves
  - Maintain current position and speed, unless instructed otherwise
  - Immediately move to the lane being protected
  - Speed up, because traffic may try to merge into the group
- 19) When is it OK to safely pull alongside another bike in formation?
- Never
  - When you need to communicate, but cannot reach them by radio
  - At Stop Signs or Red Signals
  - Both B and C
- 20) As a Tail Gunner, what is the correct response to the Leader's request to Protect a lane?
- Move over, Protect the lane, and say nothing
  - Move over, Protect the lane, and reply "Copy" or "10-4" on the radio
  - Move over, Protect the lane, and reply "Lane Protected" on the radio
  - Either A or B

- 21) As a Tail Gunner, what is the best action when the Leader requests a lane change, but it cannot be done safely?
- A.  Immediately move into the new lane, even if you have to cut off another vehicle to do so, as your job is to secure the lane when requested
  - B.  Reply “Stand-by” and do nothing
  - C.  Inform the Leader that you cannot make a safe lane change at that time
  - D.  Reply “Stand-by” and wait until there’s a break in traffic
- 22) As a Leader, what is the correct response when you request a lane change, but the Tail Gunner informs you that it cannot be done safely?
- A.  If safe to do so, accelerate ahead of the group and announce that the lane change will be done from the front, then make the lane change
  - B.  Pass the intended off-ramp or intersection and make the lane change when safe, then navigate the group safely back to the intended route
  - C.  Ask the Tail Gunner to Protect the lane when possible, then slow the group so that all traffic alongside will get ahead of group
  - D.  A, B or C can be used, based upon the situation
- 23) When should the Leader ask the Tail Gunner to Protect a lane?
- A.  Any time it is necessary to keep additional vehicles from coming alongside the group
  - B.  Whenever an adjacent lane is ending
  - C.  Whenever it may be necessary for the group to change lanes quickly
  - D.  A, B or C can be correct, based upon the situation
- 24) What should the Leader do when the Tail Gunner has Protected a lane, yet there are still vehicles alongside the group, in the Protected lane?
- A.  Change lanes, move in front of the vehicles, slow down, and let the rest of the group pass by
  - B.  Where feasible, slow the group down, then motion for vehicles alongside to pass in front of the group
  - C.  Inform the group to increase spacing and make room for vehicles to merge into the group
  - D.  B or C can be correct, based upon the situation
- 25) Which lane might the Leader request the Tail Gunner to Protect?
- A.  The adjacent lane, if the adjacent lane is ending
  - B.  The lane that the group is currently occupying
  - C.  The adjacent lane, if the current lane is ending
  - D.  A or C can be correct, based upon the situation

Score yourself:

22-25 correct – 88% to 100%

18-21 correct – 72% to 84%

14-17 correct – 56% to 67%