Breadcrumb Rule

The purpose of the breadcrumb rule is to ensure the complete ride group meets back up together during the ride when separated by traffic lights or any other traffic delays. Normally downloading the route on your navigation system would be the preferred method ensuring all riders stay on the correct route during these separations. Understanding that all riders do not have radio communication or a navigation system, the breadcrumb rule was adopted by the chapter.

Procedure for Breadcrumb Rule:

- 1. When part of the group becomes separated by a traffic light or any other traffic delay, the last rider in the moving group will monitor behind them; if the separated group is not in sight, the last rider (breadcrumb) in the moving group will stop at the next turn in the route. **Only stop at a safe location**. The last rider (breadcrumb) will stay at the turn until the delayed group reaches the turn. When the delayed group is approaching, the breadcrumb rider will pull out ahead of the delayed group and assume the lead through the turn and continue as lead along the route.
- 2. The delayed group will continue along the route (stay straight) until they observe the moving group ahead, or another rider (breadcrumb) stopped at the next turn in the route. The separated group shall not make any premature turns without observing a breadcrumb at the turn.
- 3. The breadcrumb rule may require application at several turns until the entire group is whole again.

