



VRA Malta National Bylaws

1. National Executive Committee (NEC)

The National Executive Committee, also referred to as "National", governs the National Chapter. Its goals are to promote retention and growth, increase visibility of the Association, improve communication and provide benefits to members.

1. National Chapter business will be conducted through a private forum as needed.
2. The voting members of the NEC will consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary and the Treasurer.
3. All voting will be conducted democratically (majority of votes cast rules).
4. In the event of a tie, the National President will cast the deciding vote.

2. Patches

1. Official VRA patches can be worn centrally on the back with a maximum diameter of 10" (25cm).
2. The Official VRA breast patch is to be worn on the upper left hand side of the vest with the name badge underneath.
3. Patches must be 1-piece and cannot be worn with a rocker or resemble a 2 or 3-piece 1% Motorcycle Club backpatch. Therefore the patch must be placed by itself on the back of the vest to eliminate the possibility of forming a multi part back patch.
4. Custom chapter patches can only be worn on the front. Front patches can be worn on either side of the vest. Metal or enamel



pins could be worn on any part of the front of the vest.

3. National Officers

1. In Spring of each year, National Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) will be elected by a majority vote of the NEC.
2. Any elected Officer may nominate themselves or any full member for a National Office.
3. Any nominee accepting the nomination and receiving a second supporting nomination from an elected officer will be included on the election ballot.
4. Term of office will be from the conclusion of the election poll until the conclusion of the following annual election.
5. Appointed Officers will be appointed by the National President (e.g. Webmaster, Road Captain, Merchandising Officer, Liaison Officer, etc.).
6. Appointed National Officers can be removed by the National President.
7. Elected and Appointed National Officers can be removed by a majority vote of the NEC.
8. Should an elected National office become vacant, a special election will be held if more than 3 months remain until the next scheduled election. Appointed National positions may be filled at any time.

4. Local Chapters

1. Due to geographical constraints Local chapters are not feasible in Malta, however should the sister island of Gozo require a local chapter a decision will be taken by the NEC on its individual merit.



2. The following will be approved by the National President
 1. New chapter applications
 2. The chapter's name (should reflect its location)
 3. Any custom patches
3. Local chapters will be assigned a National chapter number upon approval.
 1. The first digit in a local chapter's number will be "1" to represent the United States
 2. The second digit(s) will be assigned in sequential numerical order based on the order each chapter was founded.
 3. At the discretion of the National President, a chapter may reuse a previous chapter number that represented the same location.
4. Local chapter bylaws will not conflict with either the Association bylaws or National bylaws.

5. National Finances

1. Individual National Officers have no authority to approve routine or recurring expenses. All expenditures must be approved by a majority vote of the National Executive Committee.
2. The fiscal year for the national association will be from Apr 1 to Mar 31.
3. A yearly audit of the treasury will be completed prior to National Officer Elections.

6. Amendments

1. Changes to the national bylaws will be approved by a majority vote of the National Executive Committee.