



General Information & policies

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WANDERING WHEELS is happy to announce its 2010 biking schedule. Hopefully, the trips we have planned will provide an opportunity for you to participate with us in a WHEELS' biking experience!

Application Procedure and Refund Policy

WANDERING WHEELS operates on a first-come, first-served basis. We urge you to fill out and return the enclosed Application and Acknowledgement of Risks forms, along with the specified NON-REFUNDABLE deposit, as soon as possible to ensure your place on the trip you prefer.

WANDERING WHEELS exists to provide a maximum in biking adventure at the minimum amount of expense to the rider. As such, we are a non-profit organization and try to be fair in the way we price our trips. Because of people breaking commitments in the past and leaving us to assume the financial brunt of their decision, we have had to establish a policy of making deposits non-refundable.

If you find that you cannot participate with us and you have already sent the specified NON-REFUNDABLE deposit, the deposit can be re-applied to a future trip of your choice.

There is no financial compensation once a trip has started should a rider fail to complete the trip. Coast-to-coast riders will, at no added expense, be allowed to rejoin a future coast-to-coast ride starting where they left off on their original attempt. This coast-to-coast consideration does not apply to any other WHEELS' bike trip.

RENTAL BIKES are available only for the Florida and Fall Breakaway tours. Personal bikes are used on all other tours. However, if this creates any unusual problems, please contact our office.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION RELATED TO INSURANCE COVERAGE AND RELEASE AGREEMENT.

Insurance Information

As a participant, you are responsible for ALL medical and medically related expenses incurred as a result of participating in a WANDERING WHEELS' bicycling activity. You are discouraged from participating in any WANDERING WHEELS' bicycling activity if you do not have FULL medical coverage. Simply stated, you need to know that ambulance expenses (air or ground), emergency room expenses, all hospital expenses, out-patient expenses, doctor expenses, recovery expenses, and the multiple hidden expenses, will be fully your responsibility.

If you are traveling to a foreign country with WANDERING WHEELS, you need special insurance supplements. Most policies do not provide full medical coverage when traveling in foreign countries. You need to check with your insurance carrier regarding your medical coverage outside the United States.

Release Agreement Information

The enclosed Assumption of Risk and Responsibility form sounds hard-core, and it is. At one point in time, release forms did not hold as much authority as they do today. WANDERING WHEELS has one of the most enviable cycling safety records in the industry, even after forty-five years of operation. Keep in mind that WANDERING WHEELS has as much exposure as any one in the business. Our record is the result of high standards, fortunate circumstances, and much prayer!

WANDERING WHEELS' POLICIES

The spirit of WHEELS' cycling policies is to guarantee, as much as possible, your personal SAFETY. After 45 years of long-distance group cycle touring we insist on the following:

- 1. All upper body garments must be BRIGHT.** Prior to the introduction of the florescent yellows, limes, and oranges, WHITE was the most consistently visible color. Your safety is greatly enhanced by wearing BRIGHT clothing. The earlier traffic can see you, the better traffic can adjust to you. BRIGHT to us means neon florescent or WHITE garments. The BRIGHT or WHITE portion of the garment should cover half or more of the garment. You will have to be patient with us if we feel your upper body clothing is not in the spirit of our policy. We will ask you to change the garment.
- 2. We strongly suggest WHITE helmets,** although white is not required. If not white, add brightness to the helmet with tape, decals, etc. The helmet is the highest point on your body.
- 3. We strongly recommend a rear view MIRROR** and can offer suggestions.
- 4. Riding with traffic is a balancing act.** You need to be very visible. You need to create minimal aggravation, staying as far right as is reasonable, basically on the shoulder or on the white line.

Hopefully, none of the above data will discourage you from biking with us!