



# Military Brotherhood MMC

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## Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) 6

### Guidelines for Sierra Squad Members

#### General.

1. The spouse, partner or de facto of a confirmed Service Member is deemed a Sierra Squad Member and is not required to qualify through a probation period.
2. Other persons (guests) who do not have military service, or have military service which does not meet Service member requirements, may apply for membership as a Sierra Squad Member.
3. Persons who do have previous or continuing service but do not have a motorcycle, motorcycle licence, or has a motorcycle smaller than the minimum required, can apply to join as a Sierra Squad Member. If that person then acquires a motorcycle of the designated size after they complete the nominee period, they can apply for full Service Membership.
4. The Sierra Squad Leader will always be selected for their seniority within the Squad.

#### Responsibilities.

5. All Sierra Squad Members have responsibilities which includes:
  - a. Showing full support to their Sub-Branch and Club at all times;
  - b. Observing the protocols of the Sub-Branch and Club;
  - c. The understanding for the Do's and Don'ts of the Sub-Branch and Club;
  - d. Getting to know all Sub-Branch members;
  - e. Showing respect to all Service Members and other Sierra Squad Members of their Sub-Branch and Club;

- f. Providing their Sub-Branch with both logistical and personal support to ensure runs, events and special occasions are fully supported by Sierra Squad members as directed by the relevant Sub-Committee;
  - g. Staying in touch with the Sub-Branch Sierra Squad Leader for advice and immediate support.
6. Service Members are responsible in educating their Sierra Squad Members.
7. Any Member who introduces a prospective Sierra Squad Member to the Sub-Branch has an obligation for that person's actions and their education in the Sub-Branch, it's SOP's and the Do's and Don'ts of the Sub-Branch, this and other Motorcycle Clubs.

### **Voting Rights / Sub-Branch Positions.**

8. Sierra Squad Members have **no voting rights in terms of Club motions raised** yet may hold a "Honorary" position within the Executive of a Sub-Branch.
9. Sierra Squad Members do however have the right to express their opinions during any meeting at any time and at other times regarding Sub-Branch activities.

### **Fees.**

10. Sierra Squad Members pay an initial \$75 membership fee, they also contribute to Sub-Branch building funds as per Sub-Branch SOP.

### **Regalia.**

11. Sierra Squad Members are not to wear any type of regalia on the back of their vest, apart from the "Military Brotherhood MMC" numberplate (issued once they complete their nominee period). Refer to SOP 3.

### **Breaches of Rules.**

12. Any Sierra Squad Member in breach of the rules of the Club or Sub-Branch, brings the Club into disrepute or subjects the Club or its members to outside criticism will have their membership reassessed and possibly terminated.
13. Personal differences between Sierra Squad members are to be resolved privately, or with the assistance of the Sierra Squad Leader.

### **Dress Code.**

14. The required dress code for all members are as per SOP 3.

15. Sierra Squad Members are only to wear their vest while riding or as a pillion on a motorcycle or attending an official Sub-branch/ Club activity. A designated support vehicle driver on a run will bring their vest. Vest are not to be worn whilst travelling in a car, truck etc. All Sierra Squad members are responsible to secure their vest.