

Dear Prospective Member,

Empire City Motorcycle Club, Inc. of New York City, was founded by a group of twelve motorcycle riders in October 1964 as a gay men's motorcycle owner/rider club. We are the oldest, ongoing, gay, all-riding organization and a vital part of the gay community.

The members of Empire City MC have established an enduring history of courtesy and goodwill on the road. We support our community through benevolent activities while supporting each other in the brotherhood and fellowship of motorcycling. Operating a motorcycle safely on the road today is an awesome responsibility; likewise, perpetuating an active, visible and respected motorcycle club is a responsibility each full and associate member accepts when they put on their colors.

Each of us has made a commitment to use our skills to support and maintain our organization. What you do for a living isn't as important as your involvement with the club with what needs to be done. We want you to feel welcome and in exchange, we want you to contribute your skills in the most positive way possible.

All new members applying for membership are brought into the club as an "Associate Member" with few responsibilities other than to be friendly and ride with us. After you've been in the club for six months (or more), and you've determined that you want to be more involved, wear a backpatch or "cheesegrater" (our studded leather backpatch), or hold an office in our executive board – you can petition a membership status change to FULL membership. Kindly review the ECMC Bylaws to see the process for doing so, should you be interested! We are always looking for leadership and to develop new leadership to shape and guide our club.

We encourage you to attend our rides and events, get to know us and our members, then after getting two sponsors to support your application for membership, complete this application and have your primary sponsor bring it to an Open General Meeting so we can discuss and vote upon it.

We'll do our best to make you feel welcome and who knows, maybe you'll make a new friend to two. We hold our Open General Meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 8 PM (check our official ECMC Calendar at http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com for location and any possible schedule changes).

Thank you and please join us on the open road!

Sincerely,

The Brothers of Empire City M/C

My reason for wanting to join ECMC is: _____

I would be willing to serve the club in one or more of the following positions (optional):

_____ Road Captain _____ Officer Committee Member Tech. Support ____ Fund Raising ____ Other (Please Specify) _____

By applying for membership, you agree that the officers, members and agents of Empire City MC have no liability for accidents or injuries sustained on club rides or club events.

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Empire City Motorcycle Club was founded to:

- 1. Cultivate brotherhood among its members by engaging in diverse motorcycling and social activities.
- 2. Create close fellowship within our community and to foster its growth and development.
- 3. Create group identification for members and to be recognized by members of similar clubs.

| Your Name | ECMC Sponsor #1 | (full member only) |
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| Street Address | ECMC Sponsor #2 | (full or associate member) |
| City, State & Zip | | |
| Home Telephone | Motorcycle Make | |
| Mobile Telephone | Motorcycle Model | |
| Date of Birth | Motorcycle Year Displacement | _ (CCs/in ²) |
| E-Mail | Years of riding experience | |
| Other similar clubs/organizations you belong to (if any) | | |

With my signature below, I certify that I am at least 21 (twenty-one) years of age and a legally licensed motorcycle owner and operator. I certify that I have read and understand the Empire City MC Constitution and Bylaws, agree to be bound by them, including all continuing membership requirements for annual motorcycle riding certification and participation requirements.

My signature indicates my willingness to obey the officers of Empire City MC. In doing so, I accept my responsibility to be courteous to fellow members and to be sufficiently sensitive in my communications so as not to use abrasive and offensive language. In this light, I acknowledge a spirit of civility that seeks to hold the opinions of my fellow brothers equal to my own. With a positive attitude, I agree to conduct myself in a manner consistent with the values of an ECMC member. During club meetings, I agree to obey Roberts Rules of Order as indicated in the by-laws.

This membership application is to be presented in person at any Official ECMC Meeting, along with a non-refundable fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) at the time of submission.

| Signature | Date |
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| ECMC Membership Committee use only, below this line | | | | |
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| Attended an Official Ride within 12 months of application | [] Date | | // Init _ | |
| Application presented at Open General Meeting | [] Date | // | // Init _ | |
| \$10 Membership application fee received by Treasurer | [] Date | // | // Init _ | |
| Attended Open General Meeting | [] Date | // | // Init _ | |
| Associate Membership determination: [] Granted or [] Rejected | [] Date | // | // Init _ | |