

## COMMON HAND SIGNALS

Hand signals should be kept simple, easy to learn and understand, and few in number. As soon as you see a signal given, you and/or your passenger should repeat the same signal so the rider behind can see it and have the maximum amount of time to react. For safety reasons all signals are given with the left hand so as to allow the right hand to have full control of the throttle and front brake.

**Start Your Engine** - The Ride Captain waves his LEFT hand HIGH in a circle in a "wind them up motion" and then looks back for each rider to give the **"I'm Ready To Go SIGNAL"**.

**I'm Ready To Go** - When you are ready to go, raise your left hand high for the Ride Captain to be able to see when everyone is ready to depart.

**Let's ride** – Left hand raised and pointing forward.

**Slow Down** - Left arm straight out with palm down making a patting motion.

**Speed Up** - Left arm straight out with the palm up. Raise and lower the arm.

**Hazard In The Road** - Point with left hand or right/left foot at the object or situation.

**Need Food/Drink, Gas, or a Comfort Stop** – Place hand on the top of your head.

**STOP, Pull over QUICK** - Place hand on the top of your head and continue patting very fast.

**Turn On Lights** - Left arm bent at the elbow, hand facing forward and open and close your hand rapidly.

**Turn Signals are On** - Left arm bent at the elbow, hand facing rear and open and close your hand rapidly.

**Form Single File** - Left arm bent at the elbow and hold up one finger.

**Form Double File** - Left arm bent at the elbow and hold up two fingers.

**Form Staggered Formation** - Left arm bent at the elbow and hold up three fingers.

**Cut Engines** – Left hand in front of neck with a cutting motion

**Tighten Up** – Left hand extended straight out and makes a fist.

**Go around me** – Left hand waving forward.

**Pull up side by side** – Left arm and pointer finger pointing down.