



Lane splitting by Motorcyclists is Legal in California.

- Motorcyclists should Lane split in a safe and prudent manner
- Motorists should not take it upon themselves to discourage motorcyclists from lane splitting.

The term lane splitting, defined by Assembly Bill 51 Quirk in 2016 as driving a motorcycle that has Two Wheels in contact with the ground between rows of stopped or moving vehicles in the same lane on both divided and undivided streets, roads and highways.

- Intentionally blocking or impeding a motorcyclist in anyway (i.e. Opening a vehicle door to impede a motorcyclist) is illegal.
- Typically, it is safer to split between the far left lanes, than between the other lanes of traffic.
- Consider the total environment when you are lane splitting (this includes the width of lanes, the size of surrounding vehicles, as well as current roadway and weather conditions.
- Riding on the shoulder is illegal; it is not considered lane splitting
- According to SafeTrec Study by Dr. Tom Rice at the University of Berkley, Lane Splitting is relatively safe if done in traffic moving at 50 mph or less, and if motorcyclists do not exceed the speed of other vehicles by more than 15 mph.

Go to www.abate.org for Updates on Motorcyclists Rights and Join and/or Donate to continue to Fight for your Rights at the State Capitol and in all of California.

LAWS TO BE AWARE OF

21658 CVC Unsafe Lane Change or Lane Straddling. Whenever any roadway has been divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic in one direction, the following rules apply:

- (a) A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practical entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved from the lane until such movement can be made with reasonable safety.

22350 CVC Unsafe Speed for Conditions.

No person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent having due regard for weather, visibility, the traffic on, and the surface and width of, the highway, and in no event at a speed which endangers the safety of persons or property.

21703 CVC Following Too Close.

The driver of a motor vehicle shall not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard for the speed of such vehicle and the traffic upon, and the condition of, the roadway.

23103 CVC Reckless Driving – Misdemeanor (*fine and/or imprisonment*).

- (a) A person who drives a vehicle upon a highway in willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property is guilty of reckless driving.

2800.1 CVC Attempt to Evade– Misdemeanor (*fine and/or imprisonment*).

- (a) Any person who, while operating a motor vehicle and with the intent to evade, willfully flees or otherwise attempts to elude a pursuing peace officer's motor vehicle, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than one year.

MESSAGES FOR OTHER VEHICLES

Lane splitting by motorcyclists is not illegal in California when done in a safe and prudent manner. Motorists **should not** take it upon themselves to discourage motorcyclists from lane splitting.

22400 CVC Intentionally blocking or impeding a motorcyclist in a way that could cause harm to the rider is illegal.

22517 CVC Opening a vehicle door to impede a motorcycle is illegal.

For more information regarding lane splitting, visit the California Highway Patrol at www.chp.ca.gov/programs/motorcycle.html

For more information on motorcycle training, contact the California Motorcyclist Safety Program at www.ca-msp.org or 1-877-RIDE-411



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LANE SPLITTING IN CALIFORNIA



2017 MOTORCYCLE NIGHT AT RALEY FIELD

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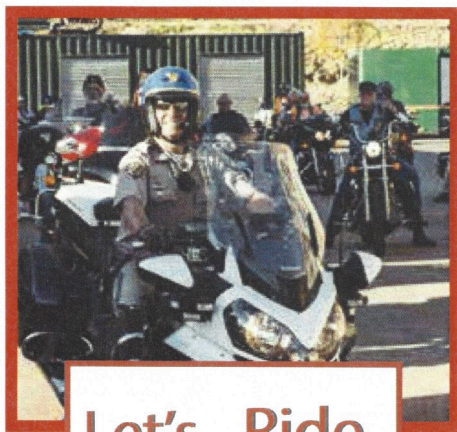
Tuesday, May 23 at 7:05 p.m.

Sacramento River Cats vs. Memphis Redbirds

Triple-A Affiliate of the St. Louis Cardinals

MAY IS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH

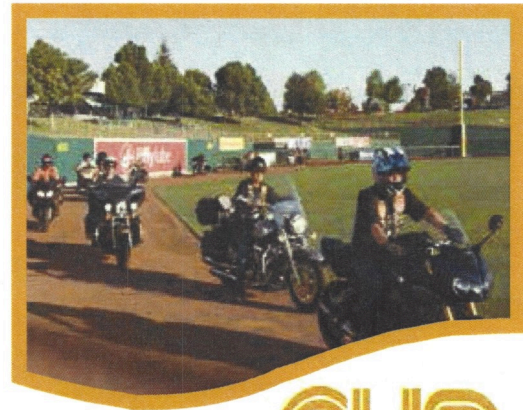
- 🏍️ Free Motorcycle Parking along Ballpark Drive (5:00—5:45 pm)
- 🏍️ Pre-game parade along Raley Field warning track at 6 pm
- 🏍️ Get Trained, Get Licensed, Survive the Ride
- 🏍️ All the Gear All the Time



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