

The Role of a Wise Man in the FH-DCE

A Wise Man is an elected representative who supports the Executive Committee of the Federation of Harley-Davidson Clubs Europe, FH-DCE.

There are three Wise Men in the Federation, representing small, medium-sized, and big member clubs. Each Wise Man serves a three-year term.

To be eligible for the position, a Wise Man must be a current or former board member of a H-D club that is a full member of the Federation.

Each Wise Man is elected by the member clubs within the club category they represent. This means that the Wise Man representing the small clubs is elected by the small clubs, the representative of the medium-sized clubs by the medium-sized clubs, and the representative of the big clubs by the big clubs.

The main role of a Wise Man is to act as a link between the member clubs they represent and the Executive Committee of the Federation. They help maintain good communication in both directions by bringing forward the views, questions, and concerns of the clubs, while also helping to explain the Federation's decisions and activities to the clubs.

A Wise Man may also act as a moderator or mediator when needed. If misunderstandings, disagreements, or different interpretations arise between clubs, or between a club and the Federation, the Wise Man can help the parties communicate, understand each other's point of view, and work towards a reasonable solution.

The Wise Men also provide advice and support to the Secretary and Treasurer in difficult or sensitive situations. They actively participate in the work and life of the Federation and can be asked to assist with matters where experience, neutrality, and a broader understanding of the member clubs are valuable.

A Wise Man does not replace the Executive Committee and does not make decisions on its behalf. The role is advisory and supportive. The Wise Men serve as trusted contact persons, advisers, moderators, and mediators between the member clubs and the Federation.

The Committee of Wise Men reports on its activities to the annual Presidents' Meeting.