



Risk Assessment

Course/Road(s) Assessed: BS19

Date of Assessment/Review: January 2024

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Course Description:

Start at the grassy triangle Townsend near the West end of Main Street (B1411) Little Downham. Head West. Bear left into unclassified road (0.3 miles) (M) and follow through Coveney to join the A142 near Wentworth (5.9 miles) (M). Care: busy road. Left onto A142 and follow around Witchford and straight on at a roundabout to join A10 (9.0 miles) (M). Left onto A10 and follow to A1101 near Littleport (14.6 miles) (M). Left onto A1101 and follow to B1411 at the 100 Foot Drain (17.9 miles). Left onto B1411 Care: sharp turn with blocked view to left and follow to junction with minor road Pymoor Lane in Pymoor (22.0 miles) (M). Left onto minor road Care: sharp turn and follow to outskirts of Little Downham. Immediately after Little Downham sign bear left onto another minor road Brickkiln Lane (M) and finish where Bield Drove and another farm lane come out on left just before the right-hand bend (25.2 miles).

Traffic Flows:

On a Sunday morning in mid-February, traffic is expected to be very light on all roads. A142 / A10 RAB potentially light traffic but revised road layout limits risk of impediment to both vehicles and competitors.

Course/Event History:

Course has been used annually for the Ely Hardriders events in Feb since the course revision in 2003.

Key Identified Risks

Distance	Location	Identified Significant Risk/Hazards	Level of Risk Low/Med/High	Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable)
0 miles	START: Grassy triangle Townsend near the West end of Main Street (B1411) Little Downham	Traffic passing riders waiting to start.	Low	Signage in advance of start and event officials in Hi-Vis
0.3 miles	Bear left into unclassified road	Traffic approaching from opposite direction turning right	Medium	Marshall on corner wearing Hi-Vis
2.4 miles	Left hand bend to Way Head Drove	Road condition, uneven with some surface damage	Low	Riders to pay care and attention to road surface and adjust line accordingly.
5.9 miles	Turn left onto A142 from unclassified road (Long Causeway)	Riders joining main carriageway, traffic approaching from right	Medium	Signage in advance of junction for approaching traffic, Marshall opposite junction wearing Hi-Vis.
8.2 miles	Bear left (1st Exit) at Lancaster Way Roundabout,	Traffic approaching from right on roundabout, pedestrian crossing immediately after exit	Medium	Signage in advance of roundabout and Marshall in position wearing Hi-Vis. Marshall or second marshall to also manage crossing

9.0 miles	Pass entrance to services and bear left (1 st Exit) at roundabout to join A10	Traffic entering / exiting services turning into riders right or way. Traffic approaching from right on roundabout	Medium	Signage in advance of roundabout and Marshall in position wearing Hi-Vis
10.4 miles	Cross roundabout at Ely leisure village (2 nd Exit)	Traffic approaching from right on roundabout	Medium	Marshall in prominent position wearing Hi-Vis
13.6 miles	Cross roundabout at Grange Lane (2 nd Exit / 1 st major exit)	Traffic approaching from right on roundabout	Medium	Marshall in prominent position wearing Hi-Vis
14.6 miles	Turn left (1 st Exit) and roundabout onto A1101	Traffic approaching from right on roundabout	Medium	Marshall in prominent position wearing Hi-Vis
17.9 miles	Turn left onto B1411 Hundred Foot Bank	Sharp turn to left, possibility of traffic approaching from right joining course	Low	Marshall in prominent position wearing Hi-Vis
17.9 miles	B1411 Hundred Foot Bank	Road condition, uneven with some surface damage	Low	Riders to pay care and attention to road surface and adjust line accordingly.
22.0 miles	Turn sharp left onto Pymoor Lane	Sharp turn to left	Low	Marshall in prominent position wearing Hi-Vis
24.6 miles	Continue straight past Black Bank Road	Traffic joining course from left, riders have right of way	Low	Riders beware
24.9 miles	Bear left onto Brickkiln Lane	Traffic joining course from riders right	Low	Marshall in prominent position wearing Hi-Vis
25.2 miles	FINISH: On Brickkiln Lane just before right hand bend where road meets Bield Drove	Traffic passing from rear	Low	Event officials in Hi-Vis

NOTES:

1. Any small junctions or entrances to farms/facilities (garage, eatery, etc) that are not identified in this risk assessment have been considered but are not considered to be of significant risk and have therefore not been noted.
2. No warming-up on the course is allowed once the event has started.
3. No U-Turns within sight of start/finish timekeeper are allowed once the event has started.

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13th February 2022