

Courses and roads assessed. L112	Course local to: 10.2 mile Circuit of Bowland
Date of assessment/ review:	Name of assessor: Rossendale Road Club
Reviewed by District Committee 27 JAN 2004;	
transferred to current template JAN 2023	

Course description

START alongside the village green approximately 50 yards up Hellifield Road from the centre of Bolton-by-Bowland. Proceed in the direction Hellifield to cross roads near Paythorne where turn left (3.56 miles). Continue direction Wigglesworth to T-junction with Sawley /Settle road. Turn left (5.72 miles) and proceed in a southerly direction via Forest Becks (CARE! Steep descent and bends) to T-junction (10.16 miles) where turn left direction Bolton-by-Bowland to FINISH after approx. 300 yards at first gateway on right hand side of road past entrance to farm on left (10.3 MILES).

Traffic flows

Main road suitable only for quiet times of day, with minor road used for about half the return leg.

Course event/history

This is a Type A (Open) events course.



Key identified risks

	Distance	Location	Identified Significant	Level of Risk	Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable)
			Risk/Hazards	Low/Med/High	
1		General requirements	Time of event meets CTT standards. Course clear on day.		Traffic counts Organiser to ensure course checked on day
2		Before start	Competitors parking. Competitors riding from HQ and warming up.	LOW	Organiser to place 'CYCLE EVENT' warning signs.
3		Start area	Competitors waiting	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and display head up sign.
4	0.0 miles	START on on unclassified road (Hellifield Road) on outskirts of Bolton by Bowland.	Competitor/holder up falling.	LOW	Organiser to position 'CYCLE EVENT' warning sign to make rivers aware of cycle event and ensure officials to wear high visibility jackets/bibs.
5		Junction with Stump Cross Lane on right	Riders continue straight on.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.
6		Junction with unclassified road (Carter's Lane) on right	Riders continue straight on.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.
7		Left at crossroads with Settle Lane.	Riders turn left towards Wigglesworth on unclassified road.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 1 marshal for safety and direction.
8		Junction with unclassified road on right	Riders continue straight on.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.

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9	5.72 miles	Left at T-junction	Risk/Hazards Riders turn left onto unclassified	Low/Med/High LOW	Organiser to place sign warning riders of tight corner.
		,	road (Forest Becks Brow). Sharp		Organiser to place cycle event warning signs at junction
			corner.		and position 1 marshal for direction and safety. Organiser
					to warn riders to take care in race instructions.
10		Garden centre on right	Riders continue straight on.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.
11		Junction with unclassified road from Tosside on right	Riders continue straight on.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.
12		Descent towards Forest Becks	Riders continue straight on. Steep hill and bend	LOW	Organiser to place sign warning riders of tight corner. Organiser to place cycle event warning signs at junction and position 1 marshal for direction and safety. Organiser to warn riders to take care in race instructions.
13		Junction with unclassified road on right (Knotts Lane)	Riders continue straight on.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.
14	10.16 miles	Left at T junction with Main Street	Riders turn left.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 1 marshal for safety and direction.
15	10.30 miles	FINISH on Main street shortly before Bolton by Bowland with timekeepers only on grass verge		LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs to remind riders in race instructions to obey rules of the road when returning to HQ

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NOTES:

- 1. The use of a vehicle for the timekeeper(s) at start and finish is where appropriate and is only identified as an example for the action to be taken.
- 2. The small junctions or entrances to farms/facilities (garage, eatery, etc) that are not identified in this risk assessment have been considered, however are not considered significant to pose a risk and therefore have not been noted.
- 3. All rules of the road must be followed as to 'the Highway Code'.
- 4. This risk assessment shall be made available at the event signing on. By the riders signing on to event sheet they accept all hazards identified on this course and are aware that this is an open road event and that they have a duty of care and courtesy to other road users.

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