



RISK ASSESSMENT

Courses and roads assessed. <u>L10010</u>	Course local to: A66 Cockermouth-Keswick – 4 laps
Date of assessment/ review Nov 2015, Approved 13 Jan 2016	Name of assessor: Border City Wheelers

Course description
4 lap course on A66 Cockermouth - Keswick

Traffic flows
Mix of dual carriageway and single carriageway main road.

Course event/history
This is a Type A (Open) events course that was previously approved as an emergency course. Renamed Jan 2017 - previous designation **L1009E**



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Key identified risks

	Distance	Location	Identified Significant Risk/Hazards	Level of Risk Low/Med/High	Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable)
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 and instructions to riders to park carefully and warning of U turns and prohibited areas for warming up.
3		Start area	Competitors waiting	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and display head up sign
4		START at the eastern side of the junction of the old road with the northern side of the A66 0.36 miles east of Braithwaite Village Hall (Event Headquarters)	Competitor/holder up falling.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and display head up sign.
5		Portinscale junction	1. Traffic lane narrows (centre islands)	MEDIUM	Organiser to remind riders to take care in start sheet instructions.
6		Keswick junction	1. Traffic lane narrows (centre islands) 2. Traffic joining from right	MEDIUM	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs facing traffic and remind riders to take care in instructions



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7		Keswick roundabout - riders encircle roundabout and return on A66 westwards	1. Traffic from right when riders join roundabout. 2. Traffic from left from Keswick, A591 and Penrith directions	MEDIUM	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 3 marshals for safety and to direct riders.
8		Keswick junction	1. Traffic lane narrows (centre islands) 2. Traffic joining from left & right	MEDIUM	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs facing traffic and remind riders to take care in instructions
9		Portinscale junction	1. Minor road junction on left 2. Traffic lane narrows (centre islands)	LOW	No further measures required.
10		Braithwaite junction (1)	1. Minor road junction on left 2. Traffic lane narrows (centre red hatching)	LOW	No further measures required.
11		Braithwaite junction (2)	1. Minor road junction on left 2. Traffic lane narrows (centre red hatching)	LOW	No further measures required.
12		Braithwaite/Thornthwaite junctions	1. Minor road junction 2. Traffic lane narrows (centre red hatching)	LOW	No further measures required.
13		New road layout at westbound end of A66 dual carriageway.	Road narrows down to single lane, with vehicles needing to remain behind riders.	MEDIUM	Organiser to place 4 cycle event warning signs and to include a warning to riders in start sheet to beware of vehicles trying to overtake with leaving little room.

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14		Turn to Pheasant Hotel	Minor road junction	LOW	No further measures required.
15		Embleton East	Minor cross roads	LOW	No further measures required.
16		Embleton West	Minor cross roads	LOW	No further measures required.
17		Riders encircle Cockermouth roundabout and return east on A66	Traffic approaching from right when joining and then left at next three entrances to roundabout.	MEDIUM	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 3 marshals for safety and to direct riders.
18		Embleton West	Minor cross roads	LOW	No further measures required.
19		Embleton East	Minor cross roads	LOW	No further measures required.
20		Dubwath	Traffic joining A66	MEDIUM	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and remind riders to take care in instructions
21		Road narrows on left north of Braithwaite village	Kerb juts out into road margin. Danger of riders colliding with kerb	LOW	Organiser to place warning signs and to warn riders in race instructions.
22		Braithwaite/Thornthwaite junction	Traffic lane narrows (centre red hatching)	LOW	No further measures required.
23		Braithwaite junction (2)	Traffic lane narrows (centre red hatching)	LOW	No further measures required.
24		Braithwaite junction (3)	Traffic lane narrows (centre red hatching)	LOW	No further measures required.
Riders repeat Items 5 to 24 on 2nd and 3rd and then repeat Items 17 to 21 on 4th lap					

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25		FINISH on A66 after 4 th encirclement of Cockermouth roundabout at the entrance to Hursthole Point which is directly opposite a footpath with wooden stairway from car-park on south west side of the A66.	None	LOW	Organiser to notify in start sheet that no times will be given to competitors or supporters at finish. Also notice that no vehicles or competitors to stop on road or verge; riders to proceed to HQ

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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