



# RISK ASSESSMENT

Courses and roads assessed. <b>L156 Capernwray Circuit (2 laps)</b>	Course local to Lune Valley - Capernwray: Lap starting/finishing at Keer Bridge and passing through Arkholme and Docker Park
Date of assessment/review: Approved by North DC 8 July 2020.	Name of assessor: Kevin Hesketh.

## **Course description**

START: at East end of field gateway on Borwick road 50 yards south of Keer Bridge and approx. 1 mile East of Borwick (SD 540726). Proceed South East to Springfield, junction with B6254 (2m). Turn left (Care) onto B6254 and proceed North East to Arkholme (3.87m) where left (Care) on unclassified road towards Docker Park. Keep left at fork in road (5m) towards Borwick. To join Keer Holme lane. At Pheasant Field junction with Borwick road (5.78m), turn sharp left (extreme Care) and cross Keer Holme bridge to complete 1 lap (7.86m). Proceed past the start and via Springfield (9.87m), Arkholme (11.73m) and Docker Park on 2nd lap to FINISH on Keer Holme lane at field gate on crest of hill approx. 130 yards before the Peasant Field junction with Borwick road (15,1m).

## **Traffic flows**

Quiet unclassified roads and quiet B roads. Some narrow, almost single track

## **Course event/history**

This is a Type A (Open) events course. This is a new course assessed dating from March 2020.



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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		HQ	Competitors riding from HQ and warming up.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to inform competitors in race information not to warm up on the course and to proceed to the start cautiously as riders may be on the course and about to pass the timekeeper to start their second lap.
2		Start area:	Competitors waiting to start to remain at the road side North of the start timekeeper and clear of the bridge.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to display head up sign and ensure officials to wear high visibility jackets/bibs. <b>Organiser</b> to inform competitors in race information Competitors must not pass the timekeeper prior to the start.
3	0 miles and 7.86m	<b>START</b> at East end of field gateway on Borwick road 50 yards south of Keer Bridge and approx. 1 mile East of Borwick (SD 540726)	Passing traffic; including riders starting their second lap.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place warning signs visible to passing traffic. <b>Organiser</b> recommended to appoint a marshal to manage second lap riders if sufficient help available.
4		Junction with minor road to right.	Riders continue straight ahead.	LOW	No further measures required.
5	2.0m and 9.87m	Left turn at Springfield T-Junction with B6254	Riders turn left at T-junction. Traffic from right and left.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs and position 1 marshal for direction and safety.

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6		Junction with minor road left at Storrs Hall	Riders continue straight ahead on B6254. Light traffic from junction.	LOW	No further measures required.
7	3.78m and 11.73m	Junction left at Arkholme.	Riders turn left onto unclassified road heading towards Docker Park. Traffic approaching junction.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs and position 1 marshal for direction and safety.
8		Minor junction left at right bend.	Riders continue straight ahead. Approaching traffic and very light traffic from junction.	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>Organiser</b> to place direction marker on the junction to clarify to riders to keep right and to place Cycle Event markers at a number of points on this narrow lane facing both directions to alert drivers.
9		Fork junction.	Riders keep left at fork towards Docker Park.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place direction marker direction arrow marker on the junction to clarify to riders to keep left.
10		Minor road junction right before left bend.	Riders take the left bend. Light traffic from junction right and approaching traffic.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place warning sign
11	5.78m	Pheasant Field T-junction with Borwick road	Riders turn sharp left at T-junction. Traffic approaching from left and right.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs and position 1 marshal for direction and safety. <b>Organiser</b> to warn riders in start sheet to take extreme care.
<b>Riders pass through start to complete 1<sup>st</sup> lap and repeat Items 4 to 11</b>					



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	15.1m	<b>FINISH</b> on Keer Holme lane at field gate on crest of hill approx. 130 yards before the Peasant Field junction with Borwick road.	Passing traffic.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place Chequered board and to notify at signing-on that no times will be given to competitors or supporters at finish. Also, <b>organiser</b> to notify riders of the importance of shouting their number on finishing their second lap and for riders having finished to turn right at the junction OFF the course, ensuring first that there are no riders coming up behind them.
		Finishing /Return to HQ		LOW	<b>Organiser</b> at signing-on inform riders in start sheet they must not return to the timekeepers or to perform U-turns.

**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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