



RISK ASSESSMENT

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| Courses and roads assessed. LL803 - Tow Tops HC | Course local to: High Newton & Witherslack |
| Date of assessment/review: Approved 15 Jan 2020 | Name of assessor: Richard Morgan Barrow Central Wheelers |

Course description

Start on Holme Road facing Westwards (SD 4159 8347) 20m before the road junction of Tarn Green road, Tow Top road and Back O' the fell road. Continue past the road junctions and up Tow Top Road for 0.7 mile to the finish at the last brow of the hill 5m after layby on the left.

Traffic flows

Unclassified road with light traffic suitable for use without restriction.

Course event/history

This is a Type B (Club) events course. The course has previously been used by Kent Valley Road Club and a risk assessment was approved in 2008. This risk assessment supersedes the previous one.



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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) |
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| 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 display head up sign and position CYCLE EVENT warning sign to make riders aware of cycle event and ensure officials to wear high visibility jackets/bibs. |
| 4 | | Start on Holme Road facing Westwards (SD 4159 8347) 20m before the road junction of Tarn Green road, Tow Top road and Back O' the fell road. | Competitor/starting marshal falling and vehicles approaching. | LOW | Organiser to brief start marshal to warn riders of approaching traffic and place warning sign/cone. Organiser to position CYCLE EVENT signs visible to approaching traffic. |
| 5 | 20m | Back O' Fell road | Riders continue straight ahead at junction left. Vehicles joining course from left | LOW | Organiser to ensure event warning triangle placed on Back O' Fell road before junction. |
| 6 | 25m | Tarn Green road | Riders continue straight ahead at junction right. Vehicles joining course from right | LOW | Organiser to ensure event warning triangle placed on Tarn Green road before junction. |



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| 7 | En-route | Sharp bends with rough surfaces on inside edges | Risk of competitors coming off on rough surface. | LOW | Organiser to ensure starter gives verbal warning to riders to beware of rough surfaces. |
| 8 | 0.7 miles | FINISH Course finish (last brow of road 5m after layby) | Approaching traffic | LOW | Organiser to notify at signing-on that no times will be given to competitors or supporters at finish. Organiser to brief finish marshal to park in layby. |
| 9 | | After finish | Riders to avoid returning to HQ along the course while the event is still in progress. | LOW | Organiser to brief competitors to wait in layby until the event is completed before returning to HQ. Alternatively they may return via the circuit taking in Height Road and Tarn Green road. |
| 10 | 0.8 miles from start (0.1 miles after finish) | Junction of Height Road and Tow Top Road | Oncoming Vehicles | LOW | Organiser to ensure event warning triangle placed on Tow Top road after finish facing east and ensure a marshal is positioned here to further raise awareness of cycling event. |

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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