



Risk Assessment

Course/Road(s) Assessed: A38

Course: Code-S4/10

Date of Assessment/Review: 17/Jan/2024

Name of Assessor: Mr Joshua Clark
Royal Navy Cycling TT Secretary

Course Description:

Start on the A38 approximately 1.3 miles Southwest of Buckfast leigh at a point level with the penultimate sink in the acceleration lane opposite Dean Prior Parish Church (GR SX730634). Proceed North-eastwards towards Exeter and take the second slip road signed "Ashburton" (Linhay), where filter left into slip road. At the give way line turn right and bear right in 50 yards to cross A38 and re-join the A38 towards Plymouth. Retrace outward route passing Ashburton, Buckfast leigh and the slip road signed "Lower Dean". Finish at the drain cover level with the start of the taper at the western end of the lay-by and approximately 500 yards before Dean Prior Church (GR SX730640).

Traffic Flows:

Course/Event History:

Key Identified Risks

The small junctions or entrances to farms/ facilities 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.
All Marshalls will wear high visibility jackets and at junction will have red flags to ensure riders know to slow down.
The start keeper will have 1x Marshall to check riders' lights and ensure riders are abiding by the risk assessment. The finish timekeeper will also have 1x Marshall to help with getting numbers and ensuring no riders stop to interrupt the timekeeper.

Date of original assessment:

| Distance | Location | Identified Significant Risk/Hazards | Level of Risk Low/Med/High | Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable) |
|----------|------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 0 miles | Start Area | Riders congregating at start. | LOW | Ensure all riders keep inside the lay-by before starting. Allow a maximum of 3 riders at the start at any one time (stated in start sheet) 1x XL sign on approach to start area, 1x sign just |

| | | | | |
|---------------------|--|---|--------|--|
| | | | | past start area which is visible for vehicles on A38 for 300m. |
| 0.5 Mile | Slip road to B3380, Buckfastleigh | Slip road | LOW | 1x Sign visible to road users coming onto the A38 from slip road. |
| 2.0 Mile | A384 Junction off A38 | Vehicles using nearside lane to come off the A38. | LOW | No required measure |
| 2.5 Mile | A384 Slip Road onto A38 | Vehicles coming onto the A38 from slip road. | MED | 1X Large sign on entry to A38. |
| 3.8 Mile | Ashburton junction slip road off to old Totnes road. | Vehicles using nearside lane to come off the A38. | LOW | No required measure. |
| 4.2 Mile | Ashburton junction slip road onto A38. | Vehicles coming onto the A38 from slip road. | LOW | 1X Large sign on entry to A38. |
| 4.5 Mile | Whistley hill junction | Junction with vehicles coming off A38 and at the same junction, vehicles coming onto A38. | LOW | 1x M sign visible to road users |
| 5.0 Mile | B3352 Slip road off | Riders taking slip road off A38 | MEDIUM | Riders made aware off turn point, 1x XL sign, and arrows on slip road. |
| 5.2 Mile | Right turn onto B3552 | Riders turn right across junction onto B3552. | MEDIUM | 2X Marshall with red flag slowing down rider, 2x arrows to show rider which way to go, 1x sign on the B3552 to show road users a rider may be approaching. |
| 5.3 Mile | A38 Junction Westbound | Junction off the B3552 back onto the A38. | LOW | Arrows to ensure riders do not go down the wrong slip road, 1x Marshall and large signs on both roads. |
| 5.4 Mile | Re-join the A38 | Riders re-joining the A38 | MEDIUM | 1X XL Sign on A38 ensuring road users are aware a cyclist will be joining the A38. |
| 6.0 Mile | Whistley Rd Junction | | LOW | 1X L sign |
| 6.8 Mile | Cabbage hill junction off A38 | Slip road off A38 | LOW | No measure required |
| 7.0 Mile | Cabbage hill junction | Slip road onto the A38 | LOW | 1x Sign |
| 7.8 Mile | A384 Junction off A38 | Slip road off A38 | LOW | No measure required |
| 8.0 Mile | A384 Junction onto A38 | Slip road onto the A38 | LOW | 1X L Sign |
| 9.2 Mile | Plymouth road junction off A38 | Slip road off A38 | LOW | No measure required |
| 9.5 Mile | Plymouth road junction onto A38. | Slip road back onto A38. | LOW | 1X L sign |
| Finish/After Finish | Riders finish and return to HQ | | LOW | Riders continue to Rattery slip road and then return to HQ/Car. |

