



# RISK ASSESSMENT

Courses and roads assessed. <b><u>L101</u></b>	Course local to: A6 Garstang, Hampson Green Roundabout, Garstang
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## **Course description**

START approximately 700 yards north of the traffic lights on Garstang by-pass at a point in cycle lane on the A6 which is directly opposite Lamp-post No. 423. Proceed north on the A6 to turn by encircling the traffic island at Hampson Green (4.87 miles). Retrace along the A6 through starting point to FINISH at Lamp-post No.411 on east side of road 215 yards north of the traffic lights (10 MILES).

## **Traffic flows**

Wide A roads with roundabout at the northern end.

## **Course event/history**

This is a Type A (Open) events course.



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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 <b>Organiser</b> to ensure course checked on day
2		Before start	Competitors parking. Competitors riding from HQ and warming up.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place 'CYCLE EVENT' warning signs.
3		Start area	Competitors waiting. Competitors proceed to start at a point directly opposite south end of the parking layby.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to display head up sign and position CYCLE EVENT warning sign and ensure officials to wear high visibility jackets/bibs. <b>Organiser</b> to ensure that the timekeeper warns riders not to encroach onto carriageway before starting.
4	0 miles	START approximately 700 yards north of the traffic lights on Garstang by-pass at a point in cycle lane on the A6 which is directly opposite Lamp-post No. 423.	Competitor/holder up falling. Wide main road with passing traffic.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to brief timekeeper to ensure riders only stand in carriageway when called to their start. <b>Organiser</b> to brief start marshal to warn riders of approaching traffic and place warning sign/cone. <b>LOCAL Rules</b> – riders not to perform a 'U'-turn in the vicinity of the start. <b>Organiser</b> to ensure riders are reminded with a notice at signing-on.
5		Along course on A6			<b>Organiser</b> to position cycle event warning signs at intervals on A6 and to ask riders to keep to cycle lanes wherever possible in race instructions.
6		Junction right with Lancaster Road.	Two petrol stations. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.



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7		Junction left with Snapewood Lane	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
8		Junction left with Fowler Hill Lane	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility	LOW	No further measures required.
9		Staggered junction with Cabus Nook Lane & Station Lane	Multiple hazards - restaurant left + former Little Chef café right. Good visibility.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
10		Junction left with Middle Holly Road	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility	LOW	No further measures required.
11		Crossroads with Ratcliffe Wharf Lane & Hollins Lane	Light traffic from minor road. Multiple hazards - petrol station + garden centre.	LOW	No further measures required.
12		Junction left with School Lane	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
13		Crossroads with Cockerham Road	Light traffic from minor road. Multiple hazards - petrol station + garden centre. <b>Restricted visibility.</b>	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
14		Crossroads	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
15	4.87 miles	Riders encircle Hampson Green roundabout	Good visibility approaching roundabout from all directions. Danger from fast traffic joining from A6 southbound and M6	<b>MED</b>	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs on entrance to roundabout from A6 north & south, from M6 and sign on south exit and to position 3 marshals. <b>Organiser</b> to remind riders to take care in instructions.

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16		Junction left with Hampson Lane	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
17		Minor junction left.	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
18		Crossroads Potters Brook	Light traffic from minor road. <b>Restricted visibility.</b>	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
19		Crossroads with Cockerham Road	Light traffic from minor road. <b>Restricted visibility.</b>	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
20		Junction left with Whinney Brow	Light traffic from minor road. <b>Restricted visibility.</b>	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
21		Crossroads with Middle Holly Road & Hollins Lane	Light traffic from minor road. <b>Restricted visibility.</b> Multiple hazards - pub + petrol station.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
22		Staggered junction with Cabus Nook Lane & Station Lane	Light traffic from minor road. Multiple hazards - former Little Chef café + restaurant. Good visibility.	LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
23		Minor junctions left with unclassified roads.	Light traffic from minor roads. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
24		Junction right with Fowler Hill Lane	Light traffic from minor road.	LOW	No further measures required.
25		Junction right with Snapewood Lane	Light traffic from minor road.	LOW	No further measures required.



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	Distance	Location	Identified Significant Risk/Hazards	Level of Risk Low/Med/High	Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable)
26		Junction left with Gubberford Lane.	Light traffic from minor road. Good visibility.	LOW	No further measures required.
27		Junction left with Lancaster Road	Good visibility to traffic emerging from Lancaster Road. Petrol station.	<b>MED</b>	<b>Organiser</b> to place cycle event warning signs
28	10 miles	FINISH at Lamp-post No.411 on east side of road 215 yards north of the traffic lights		LOW	<b>Organiser</b> to notify at signing-on that no times will be given to competitors or supporters at finish.
29		Return to HQ		LOW	

**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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