



RISK ASSESSMENT

Courses and roads assessed. <u>L2525/1</u>	Course local to: Garstang/A6/Great Ecclestone
Date of assessment/review: Revised course July 2017; Approved 5 July 2017; Revised course Feb 2019 approved 20 March 2019	Name of assessor: Kevin Hesketh

Course description

Garstang/A6/Broughton new roundabout/Kirkland Bridge/Great Ecclestone/A6

Traffic flows

Main road suitable only for quiet times of day. **Special conditions apply to start times.**

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 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 A6 at the junction with Kepple lane, Garstang.	Competitor/holder up falling. Risk from traffic approaching and vehicles entering/leaving supermarket car park	LOW	Organiser to brief start marshal to warn riders of approaching traffic and place warning sign/cone. LOCAL Rules – riders not to perform a 'U'-turn in the vicinity of the start. Organiser to ensure riders are reminded with a notice at signing-on.
5		A6 between Kepple Lane and B5629 Whittingham Lane roundabout turn.	Riders remain on A6. Multiple hazards; riders responsible for negotiating safely by adhering to rules of road.	LOW	No additional measures required.
6		Roundabout on A6 servicing garden centre.	Riders continue straight on A6. Riders must give way to traffic exiting garden centre and heading south on A6.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning sign visible to traffic exiting garden centre.
7		St Michaels Road	Riders continue on A6. Traffic joining from right.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.

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8		Pedestrian crossing	Pedestrian crossing prior to entering Broughton roundabout.		Organiser to notify riders in the start instructions to be ready to give way to pedestrians if required.
9	6.72 miles	Riders continue on A6 to Broughton roundabout where take first exit onto James Towers way.	Riders turn left, with very light traffic from old northbound A6 turning onto James Towers way and therefore only a slight risk of conflicting traffic from the right.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs, position 1 marshal (for safety and to direct riders).
10	7.19 miles	TURN by encircling B5629 Whittingham Lane roundabout.	Riders encircle roundabout and retrace north on A6. Traffic from right as riders join roundabout and from left when link to M6 Motorway opens. Northbound traffic joining roundabout.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs, position 2 marshals (for safety and to direct riders) and warn riders in race instructions to give way to traffic from right if required and also obey the Toucan crossing lights on entry and exit if required.
11		Riders retrace to Broughton roundabout where turn right to re-join A6 north.	Riders turn right, with very light traffic from southbound A6 continuing straight on into Broughton and therefore only a slight risk of conflicting traffic from the right.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs, position 1 marshal (for safety and to direct riders) – covered already by Item 9.
12		Pedestrian crossing	Pedestrian crossing just after leaving Broughton roundabout.	LOW	Organiser to notify riders in the start instructions to be ready to give way to pedestrians if required.



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13		A6 between and Broughton roundabout turn and Kirkland Bridge.	Riders remain on A6. Comments as for Item 9 above.	LOW	No additional measures required.
14		Newsagent on A6 shortly after junction with Bilsborrow Lane right.	Danger to riders from vehicles parked in cycle lane and entering/exiting newsagent.	LOW	Organiser to place a prominent notice in start sheet warning riders to take care at this point.
15		Roundabout on A6 servicing garden centre.	Danger to riders from vehicles entering and exiting garden centre. Riders must give way to traffic entering garden centre from Southbound A6.	MED	Covered by measures for Item 6.
16	13.2 miles	Left onto A586 at Kirkland Bridge.	Riders turn left at junction with A586. Residential area. Risk of oncoming traffic cutting across riders.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 2 marshals for safety and to direct riders.
17		Mini-roundabout at St Michaels - straight ahead.	Riders continue straight ahead at mini-roundabout. Multiple hazards in St Michaels Village.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs at approaches to mini roundabout and warn riders to take care in race instructions.



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18	17.6 miles	Left turn through Eccleston village.	Riders follow slip road left. Residential area with multiple hazards. Parked cars partially obstructing road.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs, position 1 marshal (at left turn) to direct riders Also, organiser to warn riders to take care passing parked cars in Eccleston village in race instructions.
19	18.2 miles	Right turn onto A586 at T junction.	Riders make right turn at T-junctions with A586. Busy main road with fast traffic approaching from both directions.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs, position 2 marshals (for safety and to direct riders) and warn riders in race instructions that they need to give way (and if necessary stop) for approaching traffic. Restrictions apply as to latest time riders can pass through this point.
20		Mini-roundabout at St Michaels - straight ahead.	Riders continue straight ahead at mini-roundabout. Multiple hazards in St Michaels Village.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs at approaches to mini roundabout and warn riders to take care in race instructions.
21	23.2 miles	Left onto A6 at T-junction near Kirkland Bridge.	Riders make left turn onto A6. Good visibility to riders of traffic approaching from right. Some protection offered by cycle lane. Garage left.	MED	Covered by Item 16.
22		Junction Bellflower Hotel/Longmoor Lane.	Riders continue on A6. Residential and commercial properties & junctions left and right.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs.



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23	Finish 25 miles	FINISH approx. 300 yards south of traffic lights on Garstang by-pass at water grate in roadway approximately 10 yards south of lamp-post No. 397 (25 MILES).	Wide main road.	LOW	Organiser to notify in start sheet that no times will be given to competitors or supporters at finish.
24		Riders return to HQ.	Riders turn right or left at traffic lights, depending on which HQ is in use.	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and remind riders in start sheet to obey rules of the road.

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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