**West DC: Risk Assessment** 

**Cycling Time Trials – West DC** Course Risk Assessment Document. The measures to reduce risk identified in the right hand column must be included on the start sheet or implemented for the duration of the event as applicable. Failure to comply with the requirements of this document may result in approval being withheld with respect to subsequent race promotions by the promoting club.

(CTT Guidance Note 22 – Appendix 2 – Issue 2 September 2011 provides additional advice)

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| **Course/Road(s) Assessed:** A466 – Tintern to Chepstow return | **Course:** UC505  **Distance (in miles):**  10 miles |
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| **Date of Assessment/Review:**  02 February 2024 | **Name of Assessor:**  John Linden |
| Review History: First Produced (if known): N/K Last Review: N/K | Sponsoring Club or Organisation: Royal Dean Forest CC |
| **Course Description**:  Start at end of pavement by brown touring sign “The Old Station” on Monmouth bound side of A466 (GR SO 53673 01310) North of Tintern to turn on Chepstow Racecourse car park roundabout (GR ST 52204 94877) From Chepstow Racecourse car park roundabout (GR ST 52204 94877) to the finish at small parking restriction/30mph sign on north bound verge opposite brown touring sign “Tintern Abbey” (GR SO531000)  **Link**:  <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/45515980> | |
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| **Course Type:** Please choose one of the options below and delete the others   1. Single Carriageway 2. Out and Back 3. 20mph limits in Chepstow, St Arvans and Tintern (exact location of 20 mph limits to be determined as road signage on Google Maps is out of date) | |
| **Traffic Flows:**  Low | |
| **Course / Event History:** Was mistakenly called UC620 in 2013 when created  The course has been used for a number of seasons without incident.  The A466 past Wyndcliff is subject to subsidence and was unusable for about 5 years | |

**Key Identified Risks**

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| No. | Distance / Location | **Risk/Hazard** | **Level of Risk** (L / M / H) | Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable) |
| **a) Introduction** | | | |  |
| 1 | General Requirements | Time of Road Usage meets CTT Traffic Standards | L | Traffic counts within acceptable numbers |
| **b) HQ to Start** | | | |  |
| 2 | Before Start | Competitors riding from Event HQ; Competitors warming up | L | Instructions on Start Sheet and at event HQ signing on advising riders of safe routes; prohibition on warming up past the start |
| 3 | Area of Start:  Start at end of pavement by brown touring sign “The Old Station” on Monmouth bound side of A466 ///befitting.access.waistcoat | Competitors wait in entrance off road | L | Instructions on Start Sheet and at event HQ signing on - warning against making ‘U’ turns, queue in single file; Cycle Event Warning signs |
|  | A466  SO 53668 01325 |  | | |
| **c) Start to Finish** | | | |  |
|  | Tintern Village | Narrow road with intermittent pavement provision. Pedestrians in carriageway  20mph speed restriction | L | Non required Riders are not to overtake vehicles travelling at speed limit |
| 4 | Crest of the climb (ST522968) | Tight corners on descent to St Arvans | L | Non required |
|  | St Arvans Village | Traffic islands and left hand corner | L | Non required |
|  | Approach to Chepstow Racecourse Roundabout | zebra crossing | L | Promotor to make RA available to riders at event HQ.  Riders failing to observe pedestrians on zebra crossing may be disqualified from event. |
|  | Chepstow Racecourse Roundabout | Riders use the new wide roundabout to make the turn | M | Turn Observer (note above). Cycle Event Warning sign for drivers travelling north on A466 |
|  | Depart from Chepstow Racecourse Roundabout | zebra crossing | L | Promotor to make RA available to riders at event HQ.  Riders failing to observe pedestrians on zebra crossing may be disqualified from event. |
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| 14 | Finish:  By traffic sign  ///helpful.sensibly.hems SO 53113 00077 | Awareness of surroundings | L | No u-turns.  Note on start sheet to be aware of surroundings and other road users at the finish. |
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| 15 | After finish | Competitors returning to event HQ. | L | Instructions on safe route back from finish to HQ. |

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| **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 (garages, restaurants, 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. The course should not be used on public bank holiday weekends or when there are major local events. E.g. Forest Food Fair, Chepstow Race Course, etc |

This document remains live and any changes to the items listed above or new hazards/risk that arise should be notified to the district committee at the earliest opportunity.