

## Course Details & Risk Assessment - Q10/41A

### Winchet Hill Circuit

Start in Sheephurst Lane in the dirt layby, approx. 18 metres before the entrance to South Eastern Beers and Minerals. Proceed to the Claygate junction with B2162 Maidstone Road. Turn left (M) towards Horsmonden.

At the junction with Goudhurst Road turn left (M) towards Goudhurst to join the B2079 at the Ballards Hill junction. Turn left, care, towards Marden to finish at the pedestrian dropped access kerbs approx. 19 metres before the junction with Gravel Pit Lane.

Location	Hazard Detail	Risk Reduction Measures	Risk
General	Promotion time meets C.T.T. requirements and standards	No Additional Measures (NAM)	Low
<b>Parking and HQ</b>	People are encouraged to park in Marden and ride to the HQ which is located 50m east of the junction with W End Goudhurst Road and Plain Road	Reduction of cars parked and general preparations in restricted road space.	Low
<b>1. Start in Sheephurst Lane</b>	Adequate parking for start timekeepers car only, with area for riders waiting to start to stand off the carriageway	NAM	Low
<b>2. Junction with Maidstone Road B2162</b>	Riders turn left onto Maidstone Road B2162	1 Marshal. Cycle Event sign on B2162 north of Sheephurst Lane junction.	Low
Narrow Bridge	The bridge over the River Teise has a reduced width. Vehicles travelling in the same direction as riders have to give way to on-coming vehicles. The width is more than adequate for riders to continue with an opposing vehicle.	Adequate County Council Highway signs. NAM	Low
Entering Horsmonden	Good access through village on the B.2162. Riders pass the entrance to the Lawn Tennis and the Cricket Clubs. Residential roads to both left and right up to Goudhurst Road.	NAM	Low
<b>2. Junction of B2162 and Goudhurst Road</b>	Riders turn left by village green.	1 marshal Cycle Event sign on the Goudhurst Road to the west of the junction. Best sited at the 4 pavement bollards by guard rail approx. 73 metres from the junction.	Low

Goudhurst Road between B2161 and B2079	Riders continue, mainly downhill, on Goudhurst Road, crossing the River Teise again on a bridge that narrows slightly. Room for a car and cyclist to pass in opposite directions. Road then rises to the junction with the B2079 Summer Hill & Ballards Hill.	NAM	Low
<b>3. Junction Goudhurst Rd &amp; B2079 at Ballards Hill</b>	Riders turn left on to B2079. They have a clear, unobstructed view to their right up the B2079 North Road towards Goudhurst for approx. 250 metres.	<b>1 Cycle event sign</b> south of junction. <b>Left direction</b> arrow on the approach to the junction adjacent to the Give Way sign.	Low
Junction B2079 Curtisden Green Lane	Bear left on B2079 with Curtisden Green Lane on right.	<b>1 Cycle event</b> sign placed by Oak tree opposite exit from Curtisden Green Lane	Low
Marden Beech Junction with Sheephurst Lane and Plain Road.	Straight over.	<b>1 Cycle Event Sign</b> in Sheephurst Lane and <b>1 Cycle Event Sign</b> in Plan Road on the approach to the B2079 adjacent to the Post Box by power pole DP128.	Low
<b>4.FINISH</b>	Timekeeper stationed at the dropped kerbs 19 metres before Gravel Pit Lane junction.	<b>Chequer Board</b> . No parking other than the timekeeper in the vicinity of the finish.	Low
After the FINISH	Continuing back to the event HQ in Marden.	Riders informed not to congregate around the timekeeper and to proceed straight back to the HQ	Low

Data supplied by Tony Peachey - February 2009 (2 marshals)

### Reviewed October, 2016

**17 Dec. 19** – Combined course description and RA by John Longbottom

**January 2025** – Revised by John Longbottom to change the start and finish points to suit assembly/sign-on point in Marden.

**March 2025** – Route reviewed and updated 3 March 2025 by Tom Gordon. Changes are alteration to precise start point to improve visual line of site at the start and additional event sign at Junction with B2079 and Curtisden Green Lane. Number of marshals revised to 2. By Tom Gordon and Martin Kober.

**June 2025** – Start point moved back to original position in the dirt layby. John Longbottom.