

Risk Assessment

Course/Road(s) Assessed: A168/B1448 Topcliffe, North Yorkshire.

Date of Assessment/Review: 01/01/2022

Course: V210 (Dishforth – A168 – B1448 Junction) 10 miles

Name of Assessor: Phil Hurt

Course Description:

Start on eastern side of unclassified road leading from Rainton Traffic Island to Rainton village in field gateway at a point 1100 yards north of the island opposite centre post of short wooden fence on opposite side of road.

Proceed south on Rainton Lane to traffic island (0.62 mls)

Bear left down slip road to join northbound carriageway of A168.

Proceed along A168 to junction with slip road to B1448 (Thirsk) 5.09 mls.

Bear left up slip road to traffic island where bear right (3rd exit) over bridge over A168, bearing right to next traffic island. Keep left to join A168 southbound carriageway. 5.90 mls.

Continue on A168 to slip road signed A168 Boroughbridge/Dishforth.

Bear left up slip road to finish at start of crash barrier protecting electrical installation on left hand side of slip road. 10.00 mls.

Traffic Flows: Traffic counts undertaken at various times during events to ensure that events are not run during busy periods – time of start of event arranged to avoid periods of high traffic counts.

Course/Event History:

Key Identified Risks

Distance	Location	Identified Significant Risk/Hazards	Level of Risk Low/Med/High	Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable)
n/a	Riding from HQ to START	Passing vehicles/road junctions.	LOW	Warning signs/CTT direction arrows on route to start.
0 mls	START: on east side of unclassified road leading from Rainton village to A168, at southern gatepost of entrance to field, approx. 250 yds south of 30 mph signs.	Traffic passing riders waiting to start.	LOW	Sign at side of road 100 yards north of start, to inform vehicles of cycle event. Officials to wear high visibility jackets / bibs. Riders to wear fluorescent numbers on their backs to attract attention. Working rear lights compulsory. Riders attention raised to traffic movement at time of their start
0.6 mls	Rainton Lane Traffic Island	Traffic on island from riders' right.	MED	Warning sign to west of island. Marshal/sign to direct riders.
0.7 mls	Leave slip-road to join A168 northbound carriageway	Joining traffic on dual carriageway	MED	Warning signs before junction. Riders body numbers Rear lights recommended
2.0 mls	Exit slip-road to left, to Asenby, Topcliffe.	Traffic leaving Dual Carriageway (L).	LOW	Nil
2.2 mls	Lay-by. (entrance/exit)	Traffic leaving/joining carriageway	LOW	Nil
3.1 mls	Exit slip-road left, to Topcliffe.	Traffic leaving carriageway	LOW	Nil
3.5 mls	Slip-road from Topcliffe (A167) joins carriageway on left.	Traffic joining carriageway on left (uphill)	MED	Warning signs on slip-road
4.3 mls	Farm entrance.		LOW	Nil

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4.6 mls	Little Chef/Garage Entrance/exit	Traffic entering/leaving	LOW	Nil
5.1 mls	Slip-road exits on left B1448 - Thirsk	Traffic leaving carriageway	LOW	Nil
5.4 mls	Continue on slip-road to traffic island. Encircle island, bear right over bridge over A168.	Traffic on island to riders' right. Traffic approaching island to riders' left.	MED	Warning signs on approaches to island. Marshals in high-vis clothing to direct riders.
5.8 mls	Continue down slip-road to traffic island, keeping left to join A168 southbound carriageway.	NOTE: road between islands is two-way traffic.	MED	Marshals in high-vis clothing to direct riders. WARNING on start sheet/signing-on re 2- way traffic.
5.9 mls	Slip-road from B1448 joins A168 southbound carriageway.	Traffic on A168 approaching junction with slip-road.	MED	Warning sign on A168 ahead of B1448 junction.
6.0 mls	Farm entrance (L)		LOW	Nil
6.4 mls	A168 Diner (L) Entrance/exit		LOW	Nil
6.6 mls	Farm entrance (L)		LOW	Nil
7.0 mls	Farm entrance (L)		LOW	Nil
7.1 mls	Slip-road left to A167 Topcliffe	Traffic leaving carriageway	LOW	Nil
7.5 mls	Slip-road joins left from A167 Topcliffe	Traffic joining carriageway	LOW	Warning sign on slip-road joining to left
8.2 mls	Lay-by (L)		LOW	Nil
9.0 mls	Slip-road joins left from Asenby	Traffic joining carriageway	LOW	Warning sign on slip-road joining to left
9.1 mls	Lay-by (L)		LOW	Nil
9.9 mls	Slip-road exits to A168 South/Boroughbridge	Riders/traffic leaving carriageway to left	LOW	Direction sign/Marshal to direct riders
10.0 Miles	FINISH : on slip road signed A168 South/Boroughbridge, at start of crash barrier protecting electrical installation to left of slip-road. (10 miles) .	Parked vehicle (if appropriate) for finish time keeper. Traffic passing riders who have stopped at finish.	LOW	Finish time keeper's parked vehicle (if appropriate) to be parked clear of carriageway. All riders to continue past finish without stopping. No riders to congregate at finish Riders to continue towards Dishforth/HQ (off clearway), before stopping .
n/a	Riding from FINISH to HQ	Passing vehicles/road junctions.	LOW	Signs/direction arrows. Follow designated route to HQ Instructions on start sheet/signing-on.

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. New Regulations to apply to all events from 1st January 2022:

(a) All machines must be fitted with working front and rear lights, either flashing or constant, which are in operation for the duration of the event.

(b) All riders must wear an approved helmet for the duration of the event.

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