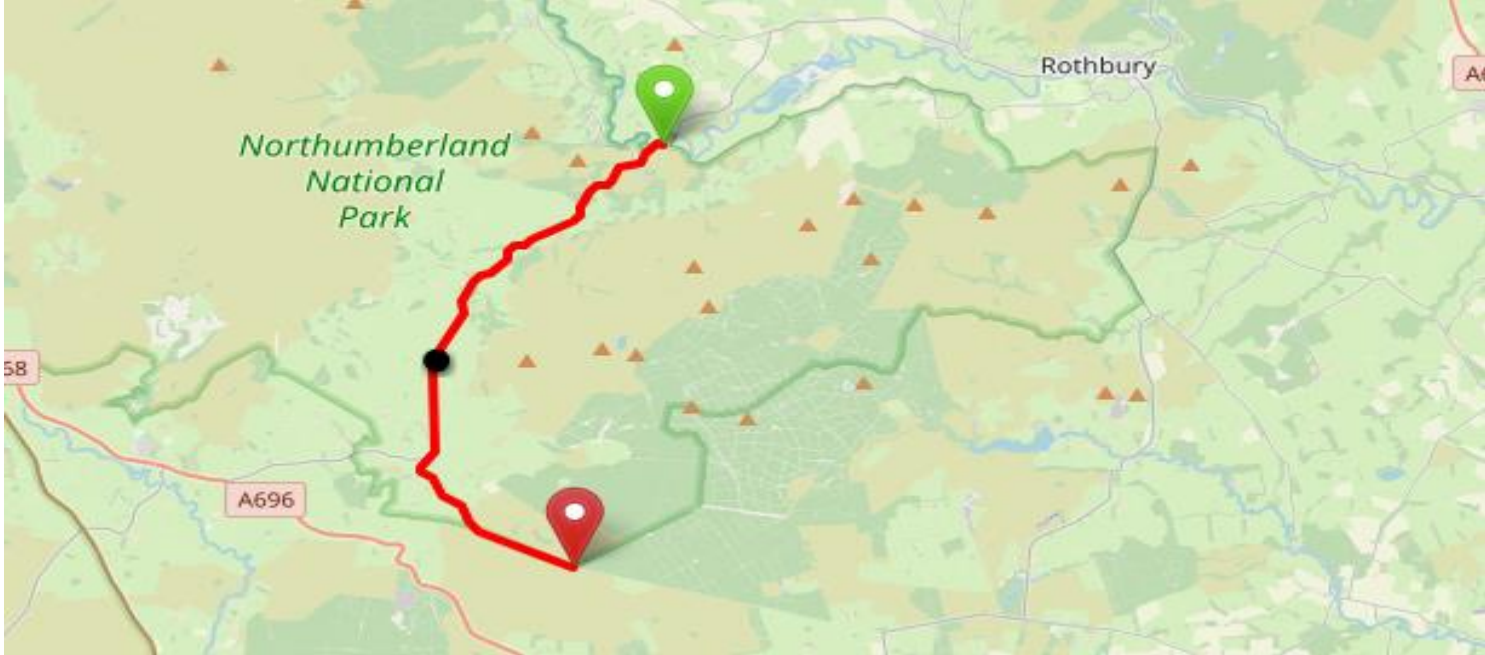


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Course	M8	
Area	NE District	
Description	Hilly	
HQ	Elsdon Village Hall/Queens Hall Rothbury	
Measured	Yes	
Measured by	Unknown	
Risk assessed	Yes	
Assessed by	Terry Wilkinson	
Date approved	2 nd July 2024	
Type A	Yes	
Type B	Yes	
Police Authority	Northumbria	
Additional information		
Notes for riders	See below	

Course Description

Hepple-Elsdon Gibbet (8 Miles Hilly)

START on the minor Bickerton/Tosson road south of Hepple, Northumberland and just east of the B6431. Proceed forward to the T-junction with the B6431 turning left and proceed southwest towards Elsdon. Turn left on entering Elsdon on the minor village road and then left at the end of the village onto minor Winter's Gibbet road to FINISH at the summit of the Gibbet at Northumberland National Park stone sign at the beginning of natural lay-by.




General Safety Notes and Requirements


- **Vehicles of competitors/officials/marshals/helpers to be parked safely and without hindrance to other road users.**
- **All officials/marshals/helpers to wear fluorescent jackets or high visibility clothing.**
- **Marshals are to be briefed as to the extent of their roles/duties prior to the event.**
- **A marshal's sole duty is to clearly indicate the route the rider is to follow before the rider reaches the marshal point (the rider may be unfamiliar with the course). This is done by either pointing out the direction of travel or holding a directional arrow/marker – marshals should not shout instruction or attempt to control the traffic in any way or interfere with its movement on the highway (Guidance Note 11).**
- **Whenever possible, marshals should be able to communicate with the organiser by mobile phone in case of accident/emergency**


Rider Safety Notes

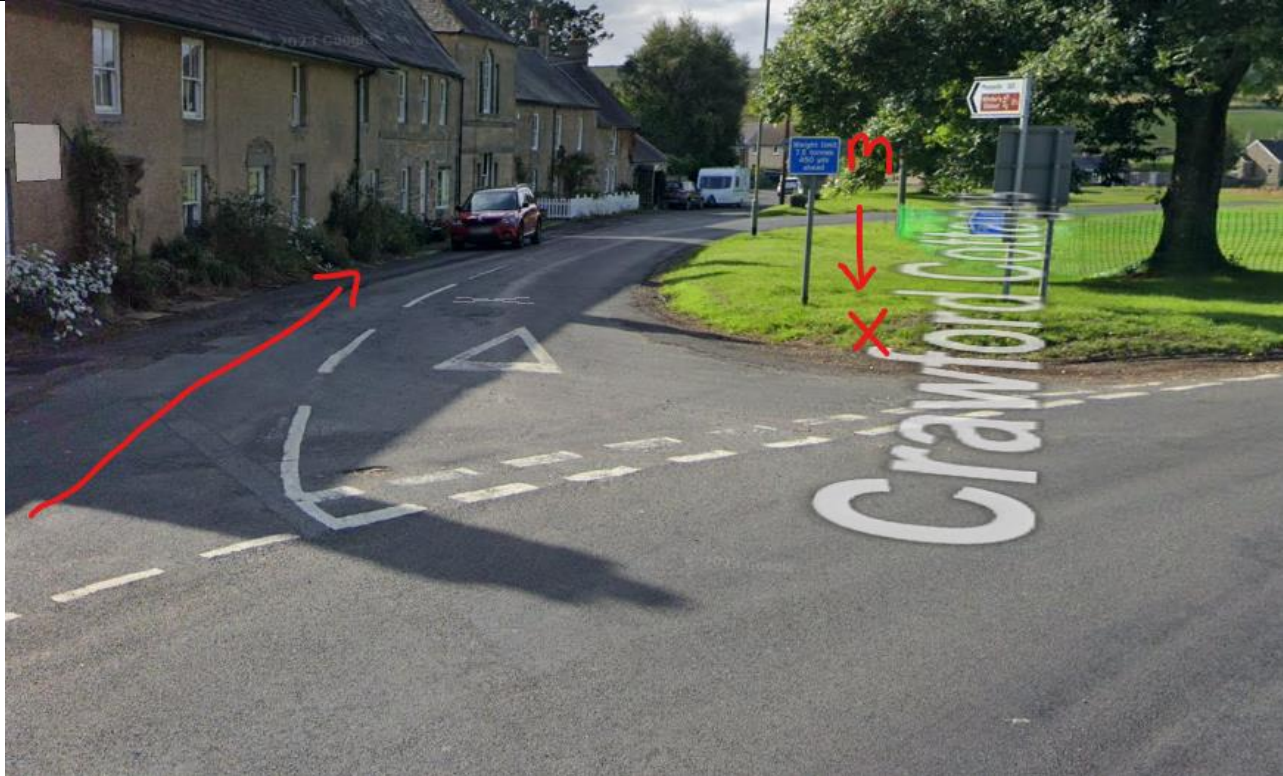
- **Take extra care on steep descents with bends, and in passing through Elsdon village.**
- **No U-turns to be made in the vicinity of the timekeeper(s).**
- **Road surface conditions may change depending on the season, weather, or condition of the road. It is the rider's responsibility to ride in such a manner that allows them to ride safely and with consideration to other road users at all times.**
- **Head down riding is prohibited and will result in disqualification.**
- **It is the responsibility of the rider to check the On-The-Day Risk Assessment to be aware of any extra hazards or changes they should be aware of.**
- **Every competitor MUST have, fixed to their machine, both a front and rear-facing, working light (either constant or flashing). These must be clearly visible (Regulation 14).**
- **Every rider MUST wear a helmet that conforms to current Safety Standards (Regulation 15), and it is their responsibility to ensure it fits correctly and is in good condition/undamaged.**


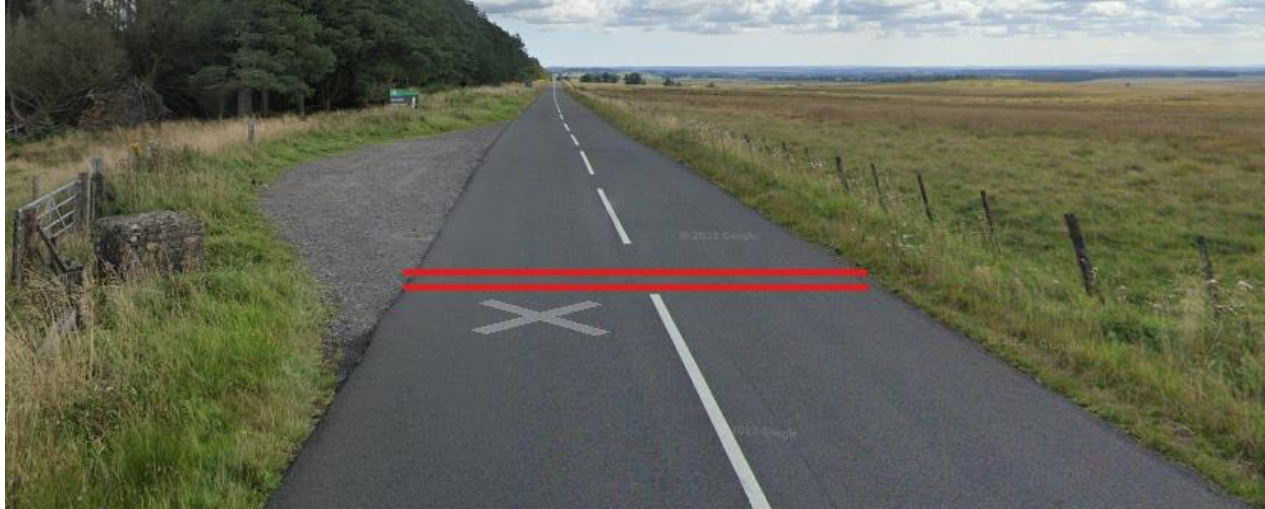
NOTE TO THE ORGANISER: All of the above information should be included in the Start Sheet Information.

What 3 Words	Course description	Distance	Risk (L/M/H)	Risk description	Minimum management <i>(Without prejudice)</i>
steeped.scale. celebrate	M8 START – On minor Bickerton/Tosson road south of Hepple, Northumberland.		L	Infrequent traffic approaching the start line from the direction of Bickerton - waiting riders to be kept back from the junction and only called forward one at a time.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marshal to assist Timekeeper. 2. Cycle Event sign positioned approximately 75 metres before the start on the minor Bickerton/Tosson road. 
	Minor Bickerton/Tosson road – T-junction with B6431 (left turn).		L		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marshal. 2. Cycle Event sign positioned on the B6431 approximately 75 metres BEFORE the junction with the minor Bickerton/Tosson road to warn motorists approaching from the direction of Hepple.

					
<p>buddy.haystack. irrigate</p>	<p>B6341 - Sharp right hand bend and narrow bridge after Hepple - bend negotiable with care, and there is sufficient width for a car and a cyclist to pass one another on the bridge</p>		<p>M</p>	<p>Possible traffic in the middle of the road/bridge</p>	<p>See Safety Notes to Riders.</p>

					
<p>supposing. cornering. juggle</p>	<p>B6431 – Minor road on left on entering Elsdon (left turn).</p>		<p>L</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marshal. 2. Cycle Event sign positioned on the B6431 approximately 75 metres BEFORE the junction to alert motorists approaching from the direction of Otterburn.

					
<p>perkily. altitude. collected</p>	<p>Minor road in Elsdon – Minor road on right from Raylees (bear left on to minor Gibbet road).</p>		<p>L</p>	<p>Riders to take care of narrow humped back bridge.</p>	<p>1. Marshal.</p>

					
<p>obvious. gazed skippers</p>	<p>M8 FINISH on the summit at Winter's Gibbet at the Northumberland National Park stone sign at the beginning of natural lay-by.</p>		<p>M</p>		<p>1. Marshal to assist Timekeeper. 2. Two Cycle Event signs positioned one to each side of the road approx. 100 metres after the finish.</p> 



Organiser's Information
Best Practice: Risk Assessment Guidance
Issue level: 03
Date: October 2022

Requirements	
Marshals	5
Event Signs	5
RH Directional Arrow	0
LH Directional Arrow	0

References:

CTT GN22 – Risk Assessment