

Risk Assessment

Course/Road(s) Assessed: WN25/01

Course: CCC 25mtt NS7

Date of Assessment/Review: 03/04/2021 Name of Assessor: Committee

Course Description: Caithness Cycling Clubs 25 mile TT course (BC - NS7). The course is a registered British Cycling course (NS7).

Start on A9 50 yards east of "Welcome to Thurso" sign on south side of Thurso, continue on A9/A882 through Watten to turn 1 mile east of Watten village (12.5 miles). Retrace to finish 400 yards short of start (25 miles).



Traffic Flows: The course is an out and back course with a Dead Turn.

Course/Event History: This course has been used regularly for over 20 years.

Key Identified Risks

| Distance | Location | Identified Significant Risk/Hazards | Level of Risk Low/Med/High | Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable) |
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| Miles 0.0 | Start Located at farm entrance road just outside Thurso on the A9. | Traffic | Med | Signage to warn traffic Start coned off Timekeeper Marshall to push off competitors Marshalls to wear HiVis |
| Miles 2.0 | Weydale turnoff – straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Minor road turn off (No action required) |

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| Miles 3.5 | Sordale turnoff - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Minor road turn off (No action required) |
| Miles 4.4 | Roadside turnoff - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Minor road turn off (No action required) |
| Miles 4.5 | Roadside crossroads - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Crossroads from Roadside to Halkirk (No action required) |
| Miles 8.3 | Gillock turnoff - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Minor road turn off (No action required) |
| Miles 11.1 | Watten 30mph | No Hazard | N/A | 30 MPH speed limit |
| Miles 11.3 | Pedestrian Crossing | Hazard to cyclist & pedestrians | Med | Cyclists to observe Highway Code and give way to pedestrians |
| Miles 11.4 | Watten Crossroads - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Minor Crossroads in town of Watten (No action required) |
| Miles 11.5 | Watten end of 30mph | No Hazard | N/A | End of 30 MPH speed limit |
| Miles 12.5 Dead Turn | Dead Turn – go past and round turn marshall | Oncoming traffic | Med | Cyclist to give way to traffic and observe the highway code. Signage to warn traffic approaching the course. Marshall to warn traffic approaching the course. Marshalls to wear HiVis. |

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| Miles 13.5 | Watten 30mph | No Hazard | N/A | |
| Miles 13.6 | Watten Crossroads - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Minor Crossroads (No action required) |
| Miles 13.7 | Pedestrian Crossing | Hazard to cyclist & pedestrians | Med | Cyclists to observe Highway Code and give way to pedestrians |
| Miles 13.9 | Watten end of 30mph | No Hazard | N/A | |
| Miles 20 | Georgmas turnoff - straight on | A9 Junction – cyclist has the right of way | Low | Signage to warn traffic turning onto the course |
| Miles 20.5 | Roadside crossroad - straight on | Minor road turn off | Low | Crossroads from Roadside to Halkirk (No action required) |
| Miles 25 | Finish 400 yards short of the Start. | | Low | Signage to warn traffic Marshalls to wear HiVis |
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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 (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.

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