

# Hitchin Nomads Cycling Club

## Risk Assessment of Course Course Identification

1U/25  
25 Miles - Southill / Old Warden  
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## Reviewed By Reviewed On Course Details

<https://www.plotaroute.com/route/346809>

**START** on south side of unclassified road Ireland-Southill at field boundary (GR 141413). Proceed west to triangle where left and downhill to junction with A600 where left into Shefford and then left on to B658. Follow through Broom cross roads (4.5m) to GM Growers where left to Old Warden. Continue through village, past Southill - Old Warden and Cardington junctions to disused railway bridge where left uphill and left at junction to triangle (10.7m) where left over hump back bridge. Continue and take first left through Southill village to Broom cross roads (12.7m) where left onto B658.

Repeat circuit via Broom cross roads (20.9m) and continue to GM Growers and Old Warden to Southill-Old Warden junction where left to

**FINISH** at (GR 142433).

Location	Miles	Details of Hazard	Measures to Reduce Risk	Risk H/M/L
1. General Requirements	0	Time of Road Usage meets CTT traffic standards.	Traffic Counts	Low
		Condition of roads	Road inspection	Low
		Other road users not expecting event	All marshals requested to wear "Hi-Viz" vests to alert other road users to the event.	Low
2. Before START	0	Competitors riding to start. Competitors warming up.	Warn competitors; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prohibited warm up areas</li> <li>• No 'U' Turns</li> </ul>	Low
3. Area of START	0	Competitors, helpers, timekeepers, pusher-off etc. on verge of road.	Advice to all persons present.	Low
		Cars parked in vicinity of start.	Ensure cars are parked away from start area.	Low
4. START	0.00	Competitors and pusher-off unsure of procedure.	None	Low
5. Field Entrance Entrance to Moorhall	0.01	South Side Farm vehicles entering/leaving	None	Low
		North Side Vehicle access	None	
6. Hump Bridge Left Turn	0.40	Event route has priority over traffic from right hand side from Ireland	None Road signs indicate caution and left turn	Low
7. Field Entrance	0.60	West Side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field.	None	Low
8. Descend Hill	0.70	Road surface poor	Advise to competitors	Low

9. Field Entrance	1.00	East and West sides Farm vehicles entering/leaving field.	None	Low
10. Turn Left onto B658 to Shefford	1.3	Traffic coming from right from A600 Event route does not have priority	Road signs in situ	Low
11. Field Entrance By old railway bridge	1.4	North side Farm vehicles entering / leaving	None	Low
12. Field Entrance  Public Footpath  Entrance lane to private House	1.60	North side Farm vehicles entering / leaving North and South Side Pedestrians South Side Vehicle access	None  None  None	Low  Low  Low
13. Shefford 30 MPH Sign Houses Side roads	1.65	North and south sides Parked cars, pedestrians, cars emerging from junctions	Advice to competitors	Low
14. Zebra Crossing Turn Left at RAB into Stanford Road	1.80	Pedestrians walking out onto crossing Event route does not have priority	Road signs in situ Advice to competitors	Low
15. Road Turns Left and Right past Houses and Junction to Lucas Road	1.90	North and south sides Cars parked in the road Pedestrians Cars emerging from junction Event route has priority	Road signs in situ warning of possibility of oncoming traffic in middle of carriageway. Advice to competitors	Low
16. Mini roundabout Housing Estate Entrance	2.1	South side Vehicle access North Side Vehicle access	None	Low
17. Stanford Bury House Entrance road	2.20	Access to houses on north side	None	Low
18. Field Entrance	2.40	South Side Farm vehicle access	None	Low
19. Field Entrance	2.80	East Side Farm vehicle access	None	Low
20. Field Entrance	2.90	West Side Farm vehicle access	None	Low
21. Field Entrance	3.00	West Side Farm vehicle access	None	Low
22. Green Man Public House Cross Roads with Stanford Road	3.40	Vehicles emerging from Stanford Lane north and south. Event route has priority. Immediately before X Roads entrance on north side to Stanford Farm possible vehicle access	None	Low

23. Proceed Through Stanford Road Junction	3.60	Houses on north side, possible parked cars and vehicle access. South side, cars emerging from junction event route has priority	None None	Low Low
24. Road Junction	3.70	On South side Cars emerging Event route has priority	None	Low
25. Field Entrance	3.90	West side Vehicle access	None	Low
26. Lay By	4.00	West side Parked vehicles, pedestrians	None	Low
27. Entrance to Broom Quarry	4.20	East Side Vehicle access (dedicated turn right lane)	None	Low
28. Broom Cross Roads.	4.50	Traffic emerging from Left and Right	Road signs in situ	Low
29. Field Entrance Public Footpaths	4.76	East and West sides Vehicle access Pedestrians	None	Low
30. Field Entrance	4.93	East and West Sides Vehicle access	None	Low
31. Lay By	5.21	East side	None	Low
32. Lay By Un metalled	5.39	East side	None	Low
33. Entrance Road To Shuttleworth College Kings Hill Cottages	5.74	West side Vehicles and pedestrians turning in to road and driveways	None	Low
34. Roundabout Turn Left  House Entrances	6.18	Opposite GM Growers Light traffic from Hill Lane B658 Event Route does not have priority Before and after RAB on east side Possible vehicle/pedestrian access	Road signs in situ and rumble strips on road Rules of road apply None	Low Low
35. Oak Tree Nursery Entrance	6.24	North side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
36. Field Entrance	6.44	South side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
37. Field Entrance	6.58	South side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
38. Right Hand Bend Public Bridleways on apex of bend	6.94	North and south Possible horse riders, MTBs and pedestrians	None	Low
39. Shuttleworth Collection Entrance	7.15	South side Vehicle access, pedestrians in road	Events timed not to coincide with popular fixtures and opening times	Low

40. Road Junction	7.35	North side Event course has priority	None	Low
41. Private House Entrance gate	7.44	South side Vehicle/Pedestrian Access	None	Low
42. Shuttleworth College Entrance	7.54	South side Vehicle access to Lodge House	None	Low
43. Field Entrance Public footpaths	7.69	North and south sides Vehicle/pedestrian access	None	Low
44. Field Entrance House Entrance	7.91	South east side Vehicle/pedestrian access	None	Low
45. Left Bend Private road to Restaurant Through church End	7.98	North west side Possible vehicle access  Houses on west side village traffic, parked cars	None  None	Low  Low
46. Road to Church	8.08	West side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
47. Driveway to Private House	8.16	West side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
48. Sharp Right Hand Bend Shuttleworth College Entrance  Proceed up and descend hill through Old Warden	8.22	Road can be wet  On east side Possible vehicle access  Houses on both sides of road, Public House and Post Office on east side Possible parked cars and pedestrians in road	Advice to competitors  None  None	Low  Low  Low
49. Bedford Road bears right past junction  Entrances to cottages	8.63	South side Vehicles emerging from junction event route has priority  South side on both sides of junction road Access to cottages	None  None	Low  Low
50. Entrance to Water Works	8.68	North side Vehicle access	None	Low
51. Richard's Crescent and Other Housing	8.85	North side Access to houses, pedestrians	None	Low
52. Cardington Junction  Houses	8.97	Vehicles emerging from Cardington junction.  North and South Sides Access to houses.  Sharp Left hand bend.	Event course has right of way.  None  Warning Road Signs in situ	Low  Low  Low
53. Left Hand Bend	9.34	Oncoming traffic unsighted	None	Low
54. Field Entrance	9.35	West side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field.	None	Low

55. Southill Sawmill	9.62	East side Vehicle access (During working hours)	None	Low
56. Southill Railway 2.3 Station (Houses)	9.73	Access to houses on west side	None	Low
57. Left Turn Immediately after bridge.  House	9.84	Road surface poor on turn  West side opposite left turn Access to house	Advise competitors  None	Low  Low
58. Left Turn into Ireland	10.31	Visibility to right poor.  Event course does not have priority.	Advise competitors  Give way road signs in situ	Low  Low
59. Black Horse Public House	10.42	West side vehicles entering and leaving	None	Low
60. Left Turn Over humpback bridge	10.56	Event course does not have priority	Give Way signs in situ	Low
61. Field Entrance	10.66	North and South sides Farm vehicles entering/leaving field	None	Low
62. Moorhall	10.75	Entrance track on North side	None	Low
63. Lay by (25 Start)	10.92	On South side Cars parked	None	Low
64. Field Entrance	10.98	On south side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field	None	Low
65. Public Footpath Dirt Lay by	11.05	On south side Pedestrians Car parked	None	Low
66. Left Turn to Southill	11.14	Sharp left turn followed by right turn down hill, slippery when wet Event course has priority	Advise competitors	Low
67. Right Hand Bend  Private House  White Horse Public House	11.43	Sharp turn after slight descent  Entrance track on apex north side, possible vehicle access  South side entrance	Advise competitors Road signs in situ advising of right turn None  None	Low  Low  Low
68. School Lane Junction Gracious Farm	11.72	North and south sides respectively Traffic and farm traffic	None	Low
69. Proceed thru Southill Village	11.72	Village traffic, parked cars, pedestrians	None	Medium

70. Stanford Road	12.09	Junction on South side, traffic emerging from junction Event course has priority	None	Low
71. Broom Cross Roads. Turn onto B658	12.59	Houses on north, vehicle access  Slightly impaired view of traffic coming from right	None  Advise competitors	Low  Medium
72. Field Entrance Public Footpaths	12.85	East and West sides Vehicle access Pedestrians	None	Low
73. Field Entrance	13.02	East and West Sides Vehicle access	None	Low
74. Lay By	13.30	East side	None	Low
75. Lay By Un metalled	13.48	East side	None	Low
76. Entrance Road To Shuttleworth College Kings Hill Cottages	13.83	West side Vehicles and pedestrians turning in to road and driveways	None	Low
77. Roundabout Turn Left  House Entrances	14.27	Opposite GM Growers Light traffic from Hill Lane B658 Event Route does not have priority Before and after RAB on east side Possible vehicle/pedestrian access	Road signs in situ and rumble strips on road Rules of road apply None	Low  Low
78. Oak Tree Nursery Entrance	14.33	North side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
79. Field Entrance	14.53	South side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
80. Field Entrance	14.67	South side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
81. Right Hand Bend Public Bridleways on apex of bend	15.03	North and south Possible horse riders, MTBs and pedestrians	None	Low
82. Shuttleworth Collection Entrance	15.24	South side Vehicle access, pedestrians in road	Events timed not to coincide with popular fixtures and opening times	Low
83. Road Junction	15.44	North side Event course has priority	None	Low
84. Private House Entrance gate	15.53	South side Vehicle/Pedestrian Access	None	Low
85. Shuttleworth College Entrance	15.63	South side Vehicle access to Lodge House	None	Low

86. Field Entrance Public footpaths	15.78	North and south sides Vehicle/pedestrian access	None	Low
87. Field Entrance House Entrance	16.00	South east side Vehicle/pedestrian access	None	Low
88. Left Bend Private road to Restaurant Through church End	16.07	North west side Possible vehicle access  Houses on west side village traffic, parked cars	None  None	Low  Low
89. Road to Church	16.17	West side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
90. Driveway to Private House	16.25	West side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
91. Sharp Right Hand Bend Shuttleworth College Entrance  Proceed up and descend hill through Old Warden	16.31	Road can be wet  On east side Possible vehicle access  Houses on both sides of road, Public House and Post Office on east side Possible parked cars and pedestrians in road	Advice to competitors  None  None	Low  Low  Low
92. Bedford Road bears right past junction  Entrances to cottages	16.72	South side Vehicles emerging from junction event route has priority  South side on both sides of junction road Access to cottages	None  None	Low  Low
93. Entrance to Water Works	16.77	North side Vehicle access	None	Low
94. Richard's Crescent and Other Housing	16.94	North side Access to houses, pedestrians	None	Low
95. Cardington Junction  Houses	17.06	Vehicles emerging from Cardington junction.  North and South Sides Access to houses.  Sharp Left hand bend.	Event course has right of way.  None  Warning Road Signs in situ	Low  Low  Low
96. Left Hand Bend	17.43	Oncoming traffic unsighted	None	Low
97. Field Entrance	17.44	West side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field.	None	Low
98. Southill Sawmill	17.71	East side Vehicle access (During working hours)	None	Low

99. Southill Railway 2.3 Station (Houses)	17.82	Access to houses on west side	None	Low
100. Left Turn Immediately after bridge.  House	17.93	Road surface poor on turn  West side opposite left turn Access to house	Advise competitors  None	Low  Low
101. Left Turn into Ireland	18.44	Visibility to right poor.  Event course does not have priority.	Advise competitors  Give way road signs in situ	Low  Low
102. Black Horse Public House	18.51	West side vehicles entering and leaving	None	Low
103. Left Turn Over humpback bridge	18.65	Event course does not have priority	Give Way signs in situ	Low
104. Field Entrance	18.75	North and South sides Farm vehicles entering/leaving field	None	Low
105. Moorhall	18.84	Entrance track on North side	None	Low
106. Lay by (25 Start)	19.01	On South side Cars parked	None	Low
107. Field Entrance	19.07	On south side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field	None	Low
108. Public Footpath Dirt Lay by	19.14	On south side Pedestrians Car parked	None	Low
109. Left Turn to Southill	19.23	Sharp left turn followed by right turn down hill, slippery when wet Event course has priority	Advise competitors	Low
110. Right Hand Bend  Private House  White Horse Public House	19.52	Sharp turn after slight descent  Entrance track on apex north side, possible vehicle access  South side entrance	Advise competitors Road signs in situ advising of right turn None  None	Low  Low  Low
111. School Lane Junction Gracious Farm	19.81	North and south sides respectively Traffic and farm traffic	None	Low
112. Proceed thru Southill Village	19.81	Village traffic, parked cars, pedestrians	None	Medium

113. Stanford Road	20.18	Junction on South side, traffic emerging from junction Event course has priority	None	Low
114. Broom Cross Roads. Turn onto B658	20.68	Houses on north, vehicle access  Slightly impaired view of traffic coming from right	None  Advise competitors	Low  Medium
115. Field Entrance Public Footpaths	20.94	East and West sides Vehicle access Pedestrians	None	Low
116. Field Entrance	21.11	East and West Sides Vehicle access	None	Low
117. Lay By	21.39	East side	None	Low
118. Lay By Un metalled	21.57	East side	None	Low
119. Entrance Road To Shuttleworth College Kings Hill Cottages	21.92	West side Vehicles and pedestrians turning in to road and driveways	None	Low
120. Roundabout Turn Left  House Entrances	22.36	Opposite GM Growers Light traffic from Hill Lane B658 Event Route does not have priority Before and after RAB on east side Possible vehicle/pedestrian access	Road signs in situ and rumble strips on road Rules of road apply None	Low  Low
121. Oak Tree Nursery Entrance	22.42	North side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
122. Field Entrance	22.62	South side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
123. Field Entrance	22.76	South side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
124. Right Hand Bend Public Bridleways on apex of bend	23.12	North and south Possible horse riders, MTBs and pedestrians	None	Low
125. Shuttleworth Collection Entrance	23.33	South side Vehicle access, pedestrians in road	Events timed not to coincide with popular fixtures and opening times	Low
126. Road Junction	23.53	North side Event course has priority	None	Low
127. Private House Entrance gate	23.62	South side Vehicle/Pedestrian Access	None	Low

128. Shuttleworth College Entrance	23.72	South side Vehicle access to Lodge House	None	Low
129. Field Entrance Public footpaths	23.87	North and south sides Vehicle/pedestrian access	None	Low
130. Field Entrance House Entrance	24.09	South east side Vehicle/pedestrian access	None	Low
131. Left Bend Private road to Restaurant Through church End	24.16	North west side Possible vehicle access  Houses on west side village traffic, parked cars	None  None	Low  Low
132. Road to Church	24.26	West side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
133. Driveway to Private House	24.34	West side Possible vehicle access	None	Low
134. Sharp Right Hand Bend Shuttleworth College Entrance  Proceed up and descend hill through Old Warden	24.40	Road can be wet  On east side Possible vehicle access  Houses on both sides of road, Public House and Post Office on east side Possible parked cars and pedestrians in road	Advice to competitors  None  None	Low  Low  Low
135. Sharp Left Turn Off Bedford Road  Entrances to cottages East and West	24.75	Road on turn can be wet  East and west sides of Junction Access to cottages	Advice to competitors Event course has priority over oncoming traffic turning right  None	Low  Low
136. Top of Hill	24.80	Possibility of oncoming traffic not seeing riders approaching from other side of hill	None	Low
137. Finish Wide verge	25.00	North side Car parking for timekeepers Timekeepers and helpers on verge	Instructions to competitors to continue past the finish and not to congregate in vicinity of timekeeper on the road.  "Hi-Viz" vests offered to all marshals.	Low