


Hitchin Nomads Cycling Club

Risk Assessment of Course

Course Identification	1U/5 5 Miles - Southill / Old / Warden / Ireland
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Course Details	START on west side of unclassified road (Old Warden-Southill) at GR 150428 (start of 1U10 course) and proceed northwards to T-junction at Old Warden. TURN LEFT to Cardington junctions where LEFT and continue to disused railway bridge where CONTINUE on road to TURN SHARP LEFT at Northwood End Road to Ireland where LEFT over humpback bridge and CONTINUE along road PAST Southill turn to FINISH at GR 150414 (adjacent small copse South of road, 56 yds past telegraph pole on North verge)
Course Map	https://www.plotaroute.com/route/530719 

Location	Miles	Details of Hazard	Measures to Reduce Risk	Risk H/M/L
1. General Requirements		Time of Road Usage meets CTT traffic standards. Condition of roads Other road users not expecting event	Traffic Counts Road inspection All marshals requested to wear "Hi-Viz" vests to alert other road users to the event.	Low Low Low
2. Before START		Competitors riding to start. Competitors warming up.	Warn competitors; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prohibited warm up areas No 'U' Turns 	Low
3. Area of START		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.	
4. START	0.00	Competitors and pusher-off unsure of procedure.	None	Low
5. Left Bend	0.05	Oncoming traffic not aware of competitors coming round corner. Road Signs warning of bend.	None	Low
6. Public Footpath	0.22	North Side Pedestrians	None	Low
7. Field Entrance Entrance to Cottage	0.48	North Side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field. South Side Access to cottage	None None	Low Low
8. Public Footpath Entrance to Houses	0.58	North Side Pedestrians Access to Houses	None	Low
9. Sharp down hill right hand bend	0.91	Road signs warn of sharp bend. Surface sometimes wet/muddy.	Road Signs in situ Advice to competitors	Low
10. T Junction Left Turn onto Bedford Road Entrances to cottages	1.20	Traffic coming from right from Old Warden. East and West Access to cottages. Course does not have priority.	None None Instructions to competitors	Low Low Low
11. Entrance to Water Works	1.25	North side Vehicle access	None	Low
12. Richard's Crescent and Other Housing	1.42	North side Access to houses, pedestrians	None	Low
13. Cardington Junction Houses	1.54	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
14. Left Hand Bend	1.91	Oncoming traffic unsighted	None	Low
15. Field Entrance	1.92	West side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field.	None	Low
16. Southill Sawmill	2.19	East side Vehicle access (During working hours)	None	Low
17. Southill Railway Station (Houses)	2.30	Access to houses on west side	None	Low
18. Road to Ireland on left Houses on right	2.57	Vehicles emerging from junction - Course has right of way	None	Low
19. Junction on right hand side of road	3.07	Vehicles emerging from junction - Course has right of way	None	Low
20. Farm Track from	3.17	Vehicles emerging from junction - Course	None	Low

right		has right of way		
21. Left Turn then immediate left turn onto road to Ireland RIDERS MUST GIVE WAY	3.17	Vehicles approaching from right have right of way	None	Low
22. Houses on both sides of road	3.87	Vehicles emerging from houses / pedestrians	None	Low
23. Junction from Right	3.97	Vehicles emerging from junction - Course has right of way	None	Low
24. Black Horse Public House	4.08	West side vehicles entering and leaving	None	Low
25. Left Turn Over humpback bridge	4.22	Event course does not have priority	Give Way signs in situ	Low
26. Field Entrance	4.32	North and South sides Farm vehicles entering/leaving field	None	Low
27. Moorhall	4.41	Entrance track on North side	None	Low
28. Lay by (25 Start)	4.58	On South side Cars parked	None	Low
29. Field Entrance	4.64	On south side Farm vehicles entering/leaving field	None	Low
30. Public Footpath Dirt Lay by	4.71	On south side Pedestrians Car parked	None	Low
31. Junction on Left to Southill - Straight on	4.80	Vehicles emerging from junction - Course has right of way	None	Low
32. Finish Wide verge	5.00	North side Timekeepers and helpers on verge Competitors completing course at high speed after others have finished Car parking for timekeepers on verge or informal laybys to the east of finish	Instructions to competitors to continue past the finish and not to congregate in vicinity of timekeeper on the road. No U-turns to be made within sight of the finish. Instruction to timekeepers to keep their cars completely off the road unless at least 100 yds past the Finish.	Low