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Course Description

Start at a point in the lead out onto the A31 from the lay-by on the south side at the commencement of the Bentley by-pass, approximately 800 yards west of the (former) 'The Bull' Public House on the north side of the A31 and 5 yards beyond the last but one drain grating and 25 yards short of the large road direction sign marked Bentley 1/2m'.
 Proceed (Care) to join the A31 and continue to go westwards along the Bentley by-pass through Froyle to the Holybourne roundabout, keep to the left hand lane road markings.
 Taking the first exit left and continue straight on (M1) along the A31 to the Chawton roundabout. (turn)
 Circle the roundabout ((M2, M3, M4) (Check) and take the fourth exit to retrace along the A31 to the Holybourne roundabout. (Great care, fast approach, vehicles on your right).
 Take the second exit (M5) and keeping on the A31 and continue via the Bentley by-pass to the Farnham roundabout at the junction with the A325. (Great care needed).
 Circle the roundabout (M6, M7, M8) (Check) and take the fourth exit to retrace along the A31 to go pass the start point.
 REPEAT AS FOLLOWS.
 Holybourne roundabout.
 Chawton roundabout. (Turn)
 Holybourne roundabout
 Farnham roundabout. (Turn). Continue through the start point to the Holybourne roundabout (Final turn).
 Through the start point.
 Holybourne roundabout. (Final turn) circle this roundabout (M8, M9, M10)(Check) take the fourth exit to retrace along the A.31 to the Bentley by-pass
 Continue along the by-pass (A.31) to a point just beyond the Start point that is on the south side of the dual carriageway and 150yards beyond the road exit from Bentley Village on the North side 707yards short of the Gravel Hill Road cross roads where finish.

Marshals referred to in this course description (M1, M2) etc may be provided solely to indicate the course direction. They have no role whatsoever in the risk assessment itself.

Traffic Flows

Organisers to carry out Traffic Counts during ALL events and submit to LWDC together with the results

Course Restrictions

None

Course History

There have been two serious incidents, seven years apart, on a section of the A31 covered by this course, the first was in 2015 and a second in 2022. The driver of the vehicle in 2015 admitted a charge of causing death by dangerous driving. The driver of the vehicle involved with the later incident is currently facing serious criminal charges. There is no suggestion that either of the cyclists involved, nor the course design was in any way at fault.

No	Location	Perceived Risk	Level	Action Required
1	Start	Traffic passing riders waiting to start	LOW	Place warning sign before start. All officials to wear Hi-Viz upper garments . Riders to wear fluorescent numbers on their backs. Riders attention to be raised to traffic movement at time of their start. Riders waiting to start must keep off highway.
2	Holybourne rbt at junctions with A31 and B3004	Traffic approaching rbt from B3004 being unaware of cycling event.	MEDIUM	Place warning signs on B3004 approaching roundabout.
3	Chawton rbt at junctions with A31 and A32	Traffic approaching rbt from A32 and A31 being unaware of cycling event	MEDIUM	Place warning signs on A32 and on A31 West of roundabout.
5	Coxbridge (Farnham) rbt at junctions with A325 (Farnham), A31 (Farnham bypass) and A325 (Wrecclisham)	Traffic approaching rbt from A325, A31 and A325 being unaware of cycling event	MEDIUM	Place warning signs on A325(Farnham) A31(Farnham ByPass and A325(Wrecclisham) approaching roundabout.
6	Sliproad entry from Bentley on old A31	Traffic approaching A31 from Bentley village being unaware of cycling event	LOW	Place warning sign on old A31 sliproad prior to junction with A31
7	Finish		LOW	All officials to wear Hi-Viz upper garments . Riders to continue past finish without stopping . A finish chequer board or flag is to be displayed at finish. It must be fixed to ensure it is not affected by passing traffic.
	Wherever placing or removing signs	Danger from passing vehicles	MEDIUM	Be very vigilant of traffic conditions It is strongly recommended that sign erectors to wear Hi-Viz upper garments complying with BS EN 1150, BS EN 471 or ISO EN 20471:2013

Side road junctions, the small junctions or entrances to farms/facilities (garages, cafes etc) that are not mentioned in this risk assessment have been considered, they are not considered significant to pose a risk and therefore have not been noted.