



# Risk Assessment

Course/Road(s) Assessed: New Hilly Course

Course: Local to West Meon Hut A32

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**Course Description:** Start at bus stop sign at the entrance to the western end of the lay-by on the Alton-Fareham Rd 496 yards north of the traffic lights at the West Meon Hut crossroads. Proceed north east on the A32 to Petersfield, Froxfield crossroads. Then turn left on to unclassified Petersfield Rd and continue until left filter junction with A31 at Ropley Dene. Join A31 left to roundabout at the commencement of the New Alesford by-pass. Take second exit on to Winchester road; continue along by-pass then take left hand slip road at next roundabout to continue on Winchester road A3 until roundabout at junction with B3404 Winchester. Keep to left and after 500yds go left on slip road to A272 Petersfield through Cheriton and Bramdean to finish at a point 340yds short of the traffic lights at West Meon Hut crossroads.

**Traffic Flows:**

A31 5/07/2015 8am	270units per hour	8.30am 258 units per hour.
A272 12/07/2015 8.10am	162 units per hour	8.30am 204 units per hour.
A32 12/07/2015 8.40am	220 units per hour	9.00am 288 units per hour.
Petersfield Rd 19/07/2015 8.10am	12 unit per hour	8.30am 18 units per hour.

**Course/Event History:** This is a modification to the original H31/19 course used by Alton CC for many years but which has become less viable because of additional pedestrian controlled traffic lights in Four Marks, and flooding on the A32 at Lower Farringdon in recent years. The new shorter route misses out Farringdon and Four Marks but still uses much of the original course, on quieter roads with better surfacing.

## Key Identified Risks

Distance	Location	Identified Significant Risk/Hazard	Level of Risk L/M/H	Measures to reduce Risk
0 miles	START: at area of start.	Competitors waiting to start.	L	Sign at side of road 100 metres from start to inform approaching vehicles. Officials to wear high visibility jackets/ bibs
	START: SU65082/26539	Competitors at start	L	Riders to wear fluorescent numbers on their backs to attract attention Riders attention raised to traffic movement at time of their start. Riders advised to use flashing rear light.

0.73miles	SU65084/26541	Minor road on left	L	None
1.54miles	SU65742/27499	Minor cross roads.	L	None
1.98miles	SU67335/28699	Angel Hotel on left, then immediately minor crossroads.	L	None
2.47miles	SU66855/28184	Minor road on left.	L	None
3.37miles	SU68799/30386	Petersfield/Froxfield crossroads. Left on to unclassified Petersfield Rd. Minor road immediately on left.	L	Direction Signs. Event sign on minor road
4.67miles	SU66877/30926	Minor road on left.	L	None
5.38miles	SU65849/31230	Minor Rd on left Smugglers Lane, followed by hard left downhill bend.	M	Rider warning signs before Smugglers Lane
5.92miles	SU66877/30926	Minor Rd left Soams Lane	L	None
6.13miles	SU64698/31287	Minor Rd on left Stapley Lane	L	None
6.75miles	SU63819/31658	Minor Rd on left Park Lane	L	None
7.14miles	SU63200/31689	Minor Rd on left to Builders Merchants	L	None
7.16miles	SU63163/31689	Farm entrance on left	L	None
7.47miles	SU62735/31922	Filter Left at junction on to A31 at Ropley Dene	M	Cycle event signs on A31 (Riders joining from left)
7.94miles	SU62032/31650	Roundabout 2 <sup>nd</sup> exit.	M	Event and direction signs on roundabout
11.01miles	SU57122/31673	Roundabout 1 <sup>st</sup> exit left on to dual carriageway.	M	Event and direction signs on roundabout
12.15miles	SU55767/30463	Minor road on left Rodfield Lane.	L	None
12.56miles	SU55219/30124	Lay-by on left.	L	None
14.07miles	SU52003/29334	Winchester roundabout Exit 1 <sup>st</sup> left traffic priority from right.	M	Event and direction signs on roundabout.

14.96miles	SU51767/28991	Filter left on to A272 Petersfield Rd, single carriageway.	M	Direction signs
17.13miles	SU54360/27100	Minor road on left Rodfield Lane.	L	None
19.33miles	SU57654/27337	Minor crossroads, clear visibility.	L	None
20.04miles	SU58662/27749	New Cheriton, lay-by on left, speed limit 30.	L	None
20.21miles	SU58911/27830	Crossroads B3046/ Kilmeston Rd, clear visibility.	L	None
20.71miles	SU59697/27972	Minor crossroads Broad Lane, Hinton Hill	L	None
21.80miles	SU61332/27999	Bramdean Petrol station, immediate minor road on left Wood Lane	L	None
22.64miles	SU62568/27479	Junction on left Tithelands Lane to Ropley Alresford, clear visibility.	L	None
22.94miles	SU62949/27176	Minor road on left Woodlands.	L	None
23.63miles	SU63868/26578	Minor crossroads Kitts Lane, Brockwood Bottom.	L	None
24.00miles	Finish: 340 yards short of West Meon Hut crossroads.	Parked vehicle (if appropriate) for finish time keeper  Traffic passing riders who have stopped at finish	L	Finish time keeper's parked vehicle (if appropriate) to be parked in lay-by & clear of carriageway  All riders to continue past finish without stopping. No riders to congregate at finish No times given at finish.

**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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