

CODE OF CONDUCT ON THE ROAD

1. Riders are expected to be courteous to other road users, and observe the Highway Code.
2. Safety and consideration is a priority to your companions and other road users at all times.
3. Single out when there is traffic on a narrow road or where there is a continuous white line.
4. When singling out the rider on the outside should move BEHIND the rider on the inside.
5. Should the group be turning off the obvious route, stragglers must be waited for.
6. Members leaving the group for what ever reason MUST notify the ride leader.
7. A call of advice/instruction from the front or rear must be passed on.
8. Overtaking must be carried out with great care. Verbal warnings must be given.
9. The ride leader is in charge. Passing the leader can be disruptive and dangerous.
10. If the leader divides the group into smaller groups, because of large numbers or heavy traffic, remain in your group and DO NOT 'gap jump'. Maximum group size is 12.
11. Because of possible liability it is not advisable to signal to vehicle drivers to overtake the group.
12. If vehicles are held up behind the group, then the group should split into smaller groups of 3 or 4 riders to allow staged overtaking.
13. No reaction to, or provocation of, other road users in any circumstances. This can lead to aggression against other members of the group.
14. Be careful not to half wheel.
15. Never brake suddenly without warning.
16. Never ride more than 2 abreast.
17. Never ride 2 abreast around blind corners on narrow roads, keep well in towards the kerb/verge.

Other Advice

1. Please ensure your bicycle is roadworthy.
2. In consideration of your fellow riders, wet road, no mudguards, ride at the rear of the group.
3. On wet days please be aware that if you are wet and muddy, café's will not welcome us if we use cushioned seating. This will restrict our options.
4. Riders under 18 must be accompanied by an adult who accepts responsibility for their behaviour.