**1st ELGIN SCOUTS**

**RISK ASSESSMENT FOR CYCLING/MOUNTAIN BIKING**

**GROUP CAMP 2019**

**NAME OF DISTRICT/GROUP:** 1st Elgin Scouts

**NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING RISK ASSESSMENT/UPDATE:** Steven Thomson

**DATE OF RISK ASSESSMENT/UPDATE:** 31/07/2019

The aim of this risk assessment is to provide general information on the type of hazards adults and young members (as well as others who may be involved) are exposed to.

The list given is by no means an exhaustive one. Hazards which are not listed but are specific to your visit should be recorded on the blank assessment form



 **Cycling** 

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| **Situation** | **Hazards** | **Risks** | **LEVEL** | **Control Measures** | **LEVEL** |
| **1.0 Overall activity cycling on/ off road** | **1.1 cycling on rough/uneven paths** | All on activity. Trip slips and falls.  | M | cycle in small groups and don't allow racing or overlapping (as per POR) | L |
|  | **1.2 weather conditions** | All on activity | M | Check weather forecast before setting off.Make sure all members have the correct level of protective clothing  | L |
|  | **1.3 Accident/injury whilst on the bike** | All on activity  | M | * Make sure all members of the party are aware of the emergency card procedures.Stop group and deal with incident inform Info centre if necessary.
* Ensure drinks carried for prevention of dehydration
* Cycling gloves suggested for additional protection
* All riders must wear a bike helmet.
 | L |
|  | **1.4 daylight/darkness** | All on activity | M | Ensure all on activity are dressed suitably for the activity. All bikes should be fitted with lights,if it gets dark and leaders feel it's unsafe then dismount from bikes and push | L |
|  | **1.5 Members getting lost**  | All on activity | M | Ensure group stay together especially in bad weather ( fog,heavy rain)/retrace your steps to last known point.Route cards and maps clear before set off | L |
|  | **1.7. Road traffic collision** | All on activity | H | * Brief scouts on dangers
* Ensure drop off in car parks is well managed. Clear instructions to parents at pick up/drop off.
* One leader should deal with the situation, the rest of the leader team should move the rest of the group away.
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| Notes :  | 1.The activity will have a leader with up to date First Response or better First Aid qualifications  |
| 2. An additional risk assessment will be necessary where persons within the party have special needs to identify additional precautions to be taken |
| 3. One leader or helper may drive and stop at several key points on the route until the cycling groups have passed (if deemed as required) |
| 4. If the event leader considers any or all of the route unsuitable due to weather, poor lighting or other hazards, they have discretion to alter the route so long as all the groups follow the same route and the leader who is driving is kept informed of any route changes |
| 5. In the event of an incident requiring a person to receive non-emergency medical treatment, the leader or helper with the car will drive the injured person to a place where the relevant treatment can be obtained, along with one leader from the cycling group. The remaining scouts from that group will join other groups on the ride so they may continue to the finish. The home contact will be informed as required in the home contact guidelines |
| 6. In the event of an incident requiring one or more emergency services to be summoned the activity will be terminated immediately and the scouts and leaders taken to the finish or home as quickly as possible and the home contact will be informed as required in the home contact guidelines |
| 7. Adults will have exchanged mobile phone numbers |
| 8. There are specific P.O.R rules relating to cycle events.  information we need to be aware of and comply with is the information contained in factsheets· FS120000 Activities - Risk Assessment· FS120078 route cards |