

# Activity Risk Assessment for Observed Rides and other organised ride-outs

Organisation name: East Sussex Advanced Motorcyclists

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<b>OBSERVED RIDES</b>						
<b>Collision with another vehicle/road user/roadside property etc. for Observed Rides</b>	Members/Observers /Associates	<b>Associate</b> DVSA test pass or EU/foreign equivalent. Sign declaration. Eyesight check at start of session. Full briefing at start of session. Reminds associate they have	Remind Observers of these requirements	Chief Observer	Ongoing	

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		<p>responsibility for own ride. Proper motorcycle clothing worn.</p> <p><b>Observer</b> Qualified NO or LO Regular QA Wear suitable motorcycle clothing</p> <p><b>Motorcycle</b> Associates motorcycle given visual check prior to commencing session (usually as part of MPOWDDERS)</p> <p><b>Miscellaneous</b> Observer will terminate activity with the associate if they consider the riding too dangerous or conditions inappropriate such as <b>temperature below 5°</b> Route choice to match associate performance/road conditions Adhere to speed limits and other</p>				

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		traffic law during session				
<b>OTHER ORGANISED RIDEOUTS:</b>						
<b>Collision with another vehicle/road user/roadside property etc. for other ESAM ride-outs</b>	Members	<p>Ride-out organiser (Leader) to carry out pre-ride brief explaining drop off system if necessary</p> <p>Leader to appoint a “tail end Charlie” (TEC) if required</p> <p>Ensure a system is in place for communication between lead rider and TEC</p> <p>Leader will terminate ride-out if they consider the riding conditions inappropriate such as <b>temperature below 5°</b></p> <p>The route choice should match road conditions</p> <p>Either the Leader or TEC should carry a first aid kit and be trained in first aid</p>	<p>Remind ride-out organisers and Observers of these requirements</p> <p>Check first aid kits</p> <p>Check possible Leaders and TEC’s are first aiders</p>	Any Committee member	Ongoing	

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<b>Both Observed and Organised Ride-outs</b>						
<b>Slips, trips &amp; falls at start and/or finish of ride</b>	Members/ associates	Where possible start, finish and intermediate stops should be on good, clear solid ground.	Remind ride-out organisers and Observers of these requirements	Chief Observer Committee member	Ongoing	
<b>Medical emergencies</b>	Members/ associates	Ride-out leader to carry mobile phone to call emergency services if required.	Remind ride-out organisers and Observers of these requirements	Chief Observer Committee member	Ongoing	
<b>SLOW RIDING TRAINING:</b>						
<b>Associate falling from motorcycle during slow riding manoeuvre</b>	Associate	Associate may have been previously trained in slow riding prior to session (DVSA) Location chosen to avoid uneven ground and slippery	Remind Observers of these requirements	Chief Observer	Ongoing	

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		<p>surfaces</p> <p>Conducted in quiet area to allow concentration</p> <p>Conducted at low speed (ideally walking pace or lower)</p>				
<b>GENERAL:</b>						
<b>Rider fatigue</b>	Members/ Associates	Length of session/ride-out is informed	Remind ride-out organisers and Observers of these requirements	Chief Observer Committee member	Ongoing	
<b>Assault by associate on Observer</b>	Observers	<p>Name and details of associate are known to ESAM</p> <p>Observers receive training in meeting people</p> <p>Observers to walk away from confrontation</p>	Committee to consider if defusing training is required for Observers	Committee	At January 2024 meeting	

More information on managing risk: [www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/risk/](http://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/risk/)

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