



Redditch Advanced Motorcyclists Group Risk Assessment for observed rides 2019



Activity being assessed	Activity and location			
Any RAMG Observed rides (Observer and Associate in training) Step 1. List Regulations and related documents that apply	Prescribed RAMG route or route selected by individual Observers Highway Code (Road Traffic Act, etc); Advanced Rider Course Handbook RAMG observed ride protocols outlined in briefing			
Step 2. Identify foreseeable hazards				
What could cause harm?	Who might be harmed?	Existing control measures	Remaining risk H/M/L	Further action required to control risk
Associates losing control	Associates, Observers, other road users	Check with rider is familiar with and comfortable on their machine. Basic roadworthiness check of Associate's machine. Preliminary assessment of competence obtained during briefing.	L	
Associates riding outside capability	Associates, Observers, other road users	Ensure pre ride briefing is thorough – use briefing card provided to check Ensure disclaimer is signed and a copy logged with Group Secretary Observer to Associate ratio is capped at 2:1	L	Observer to abort ride if necessary.
Collision with other vehicles or Observer	Associates, Observers, other road users	Headlights should be used to aid conspicuity. Consider hi-vis in conditions of poor visibility. Observer to account for risk in using 'observing positions' and ride defensively. Regular Observer training to include techniques and methodology Briefing to highlight the risks in riding together (visibility, proximity etc)	L	
Injury in the event of an accident.	Associates, Observers, other road users	Associate and Observer have helmet, clothing, gloves and boots appropriate to reducing risk of injury. Accident protocol to be followed (See over)	M	
Associates getting separated and thus being unsupervised	Associates	Route known to Observer. Observer and Associate to swap phone numbers before setting out. Observer briefing to explain signalling, stopping and separation procedure including advice on how to return to Observer safely. Defined signalling protocol between Riders and Observer.	L	Separation procedure explained in briefing to be followed as agreed
Weather unfavourable	Associates, Observers	Check Associate's kit is appropriate to conditions on the day. Abandon or postpone if necessary/if conditions deteriorate during ride.	L	Shelter/organise return to base via safest route.



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Step 3. Action plan						
What further action is required? (From column 5 above)	Who is responsible for taking this action?	Date to be achieved	Signed off as accepted	Any further action required?		
Route taken is planned to ensure safe and appropriate ride for Associate	Observer / Route-master	Posted on website in good time for organised ride outs	N/a	Observers own route should be appropriate to fit the needs of Associates		
Observing standards and observer ride standards regularly checked as per RAMG procedure.	Chief Observer	Ongoing	N/a	Training and refresher training schedule		
Accident protocol. Injury/RTC – call 999 and wait at scene Injury to another person – notify police. Damage to property – report to owner and exchange contact details	Observer involved	Date of incident	N/a			
Advise Chief Observer in the event of incidents including near misses. A RAMG incident report form will be completed by Chief Observer.	Observer involved	ASAP following incident	Chair/ Group Secretary	Near misses to be reviewed and discussed with Observer team. Risk assessment to be reviewed and updated as necessary.		

Declaration.

I am satisfied that the activity can commence/ I am not satisfied that the activity can commence

Signed [Signature] Date: 21/10/2019 RAMG Chief Observer

Signed [Signature] Date: 02/10/2019 RAMG Group Secretary

Signed [Signature] Date: 09-10-19 RAMG Chairman