

Auto-Cycle Union Ltd.

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The Auto-Cycle Union Ltd., its Directors and Officers accept no liability in respect of loss or damage occasioned directly or indirectly as a result of the publications of the Off Road Facility/Venue Best Practice Guidelines.

Owners/operators of Off Road motorcycle Facilities/Venues have a legally owed 'Duty of Care' responsibility to the rider, officials and general public to ensure that all safety precautions at the venue are appropriate for such activities and to seek independent advice as necessary in relation to them.

Owners/operators of Off Road Motorcycle Facilities/Venues should refer to the requirements detailed in the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974:
<http://www.healthandsafety.co.uk/haswa.htm>

The responsibility to undertake meaningful Risk Assessments is detailed in the Management of Health and Safety Regulations 1999, in particular Regulations 3 & 5:
<http://www.opsi.gov.uk/SI/si1999/19993242.htm>

The ACU Minimum Standards for Off Road Practice Tracks refer to recreational, non-competitive motorcycle activity and should be considered as the MINIMUM standard for those engaged in the operation or management of Venues/Facilities. Facility/Venue owners/operators are encouraged to implement safety standards of the highest level practicable.

These Minimum Standards do not replace or remove the requirement for a full written risk assessment prior to any activity at a Facility/Venue. It is the responsibility of the Facility/Venue owner/operator to ensure that such a risk assessment is completed and an on going review is carried out during the day's activities.

All Facility/Venue owners/operators are encouraged to read these Minimum Standards in the context of their individual venues, activities and existing safety protocols and apply the contained standards within that context.

It is recommended that owner/operators seek advice from their insurers who may wish to impose their own operating conditions.

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