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## Introduction

The Knowl Hill Bridleway Circuit is an undulating 33km (20 mile) signposted horse-riding route passing through the parishes of Hurley, White Waltham, Shottesbrooke and Waltham St Lawrence. The circuit is made up of public bridleways, restricted byways, permitted bridleways across National Trust land, quiet country lanes, and a few short sections of rural B roads. It crosses the busy A4 at two points.

The route comprises two loops: a northern one of about 20km (12.5 miles) and a southern loop of about 13km (8 miles).

The northern loop is undulating and crosses the A4 twice, whilst the southern loop is flatter and comprises mainly bridleways and quiet country lanes. The circuit passes through several villages as well as the picturesque Shottesbrooke Park.

There are a number of different surface types within the route: metalled roads and tracks, stone surfaced bridleways and Restricted Byways, and natural and grassed sections. Some of the natural sections can become muddy and poached during the winter months.

There are many off-road sections suitable for cantering, although consideration should always be given to surface type, conditions, other users, and potential hazards (rabbit holes etc).



## Follow the Countryside Code

- Be safe – plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people (Countryside Agency 2004)

## Riding Safety Tips

- Ride on the left hand side of the road
- Always wear a riding hat to British Standard PAS015 and ASTM F1163
- Give clear and accurate signals
- Make sure you can be seen: wear fluorescent/reflective accessories and avoid riding in failing light
- Do not ride more than two abreast on the road
- Pass pedestrians and cyclists slowly, and show courtesy to other route-users



# Route Safety Tips

- Take extreme care crossing the A4
- Parts of the route may become muddy and poached in wet weather: always ride according to the conditions
- Be aware of rabbit holes on some paths
- There are a number of bridgates and field gates on the route, some of which you will need to dismount for in order to negotiate
- Part of the route bisects a golf course: take care as golfers with trolleys will be crossing the path
- If you are boxing to the circuit, please park sensibly so as not to cause an obstruction

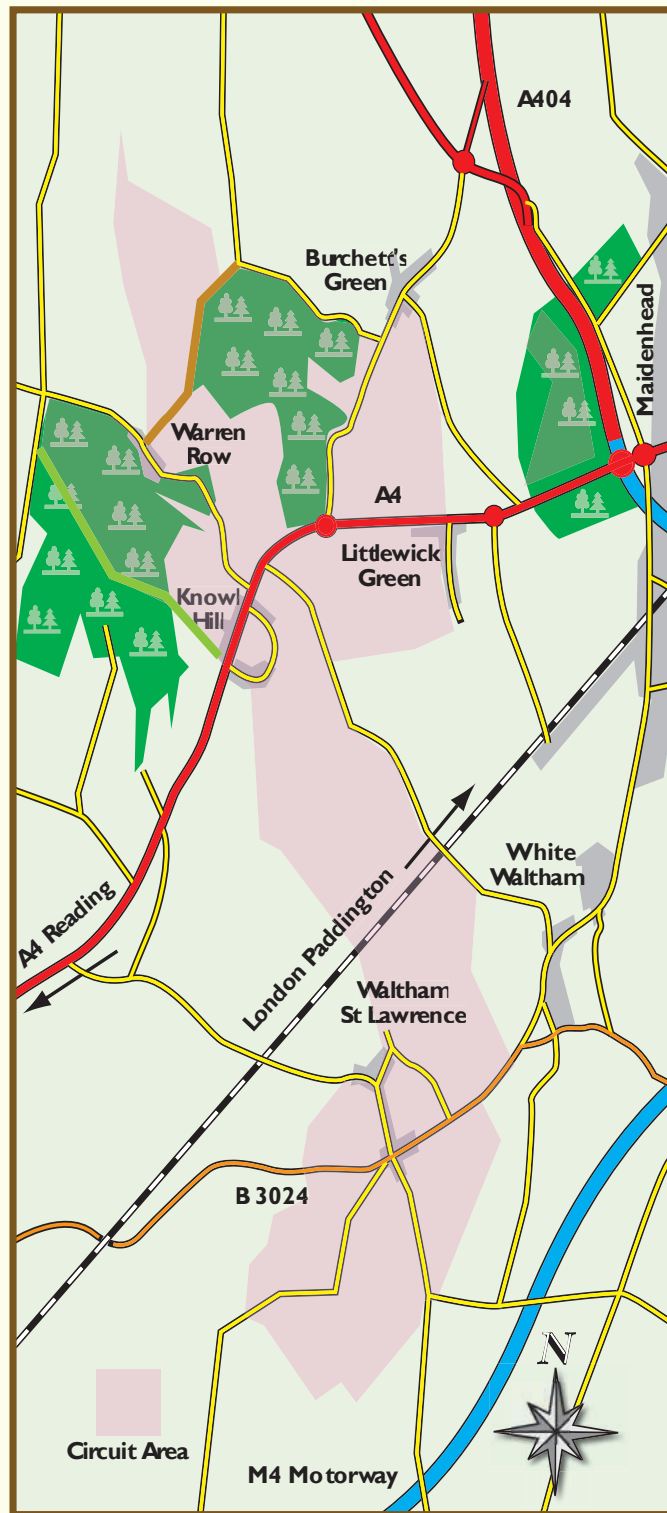


## Parking

If you intend to box to the circuit, either have someone take the box away while you ride or make sure it is safely, securely and considerably parked. If you have to make arrangements to park, do so well in advance.

## Bibliography

The route can be followed on the Ordnance Survey Explorer Series maps: numbers 160 and 172 (scale 1:25,000).



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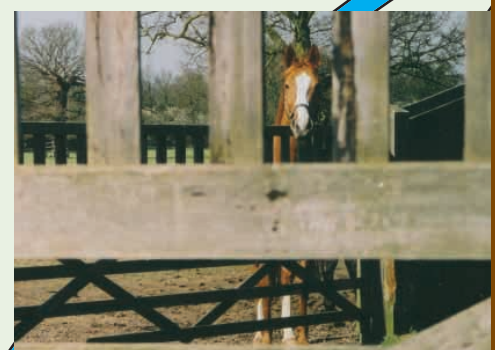
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