

## **Bikeability Cycle Training**

Bikeability is the government approved cycle training scheme designed to give the next generation of cyclists the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads.

Cycling is healthy and fun but it's necessary to learn how to do it safely. This is why we are delighted to offer your child the chance to get their level 1 Bikeability award as part of the national programme.

**Level 1 -** The Bikeability Level 1 course aims to develop mastery in cycle handling in an off-road environment and prepare riders for cycling on the road. Riders must be able to cycle (i.e. pedal and glide) to participate.

More information is available on the Bikeability website at https://bikeability.org.uk/bikeability-training/bikeability-level-1/

Yours Sincerely

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## **Cycle Training Booking/Consent Form**

All training will be delivered by accredited National Standard Cycle Instructors and close supervision of riders will be exercised at all times. The level of risk associated with the training will be minimized through a process of risk assessment of the training areas used.

Each child attending must bring their own bike and be able to ride a bike (i.e pedal and glide) before embarking on the training. The roadworthiness of the bike is your responsibility and should be checked regularly by yourself and your child – please see the bike checklist and keep it for future reference.

Whilst undergoing tuition, a properly fitting cycle safety helmet must be provided and worn by the child at all times during the training. Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate clothing suitable for cycling and the weather conditions.

Every care will be taken to ensure your child's safety, however SJ3Outdoors is not responsible for any injury to persons or loss or damage to property, which does not result from the negligence of an instructor, nor does it accept responsibility for the actions or personal behavior of participants. Any participants who persistently misbehave or put others in danger will be asked to leave the sessions and will not be allowed to attend in future. The insurance cover provided by the instructors is for **public liability only.** 

The following consent will need to be completed and returned to the school before your child can take part in this training.

## Please complete and return this slip to your school

Bikeability Parental/ Carer consent	
Child's name:	
Date of birth: Sch	ool year:
Parent/Carer's name:	
Address:	
Postcode: Tel. No:	
Email:	
Emergency contact number:	
Are there any medical conditions we need to know about?	
I have read all the information:	Yes ☐ No ☐
I will ensure my child's bicycle is in a roadworthy condition	Yes  No
Parent/Carer Signature:	Date:

## **Bikeability Cycle Checklist**

The bicycle must be in a clean and roadworthy condition and of a suitable size for the rider. The bike will be checked prior to each training session

- Check that both front and back brakes work and the brake pads touch the wheel, not the tyre. It is a legal requirement to have two working sets of brakes.
- Check the rider can easily reach the brake levers.
- Check all cables to ensure they are not frayed or about to break.
- Check the bike isn't too big or too small for the rider. The rider's toes should be able to just touch the ground, when sitting on the saddle.
- Check that the seat and handlebars are not raised above their safe limits (there will be a marking showing on the seat or handlebar post).
- Check handlebar end caps are fitted.
- Check the wheels are fixed securely to the bike.
- Check if the tyres are worn or have bulges. Make sure they are pumped up hard, as there is less chance of a puncture.
- Check the handlebars turn smoothly and cannot be twisted out of line.
- Check the pedals spin freely.
- Check that all gears change easily and ensure chain is clean, free of rust and lubricated.
- Check that the helmet fits snugly and securely. There should not be space to
  put more than two fingers between chin and the strap. Some of the current
  cycle helmet safety standards are EN1078, BS 6863, AS2063, ANSI Z 90.4 or
  SNELL.
- The bike must have a rear reflector and front and rear lights are a legal requirement when cycling at night.

Only carry out adjustments or repairs if you know what to do. If you are unsure, take the bike to a bike shop.