

Ride Rating Scheme

Ride ratings will adopt a colour rating scheme broadly familiar to skiers. The main point of having a rating scheme is to guide prospective riders on the suitability of the ride. On the day, the ride pace will be carefully matched to the capabilities and needs of the riders attending.

Rides will generally have a 22-24 km/h (14-15 mph) moving average on the ride. Prospective riders will need to assess whether they are likely to be able to achieve that average pace given the distance and hilliness of the ride. It is expected that nearly all club riders should be able to ride most Blue rides.

The criteria by which a ride is rated is distance and hilliness (1 hilly equates to an average of 10m climbed per km, so 1000m ascent in 100km would be 1x hilly), and the overall rating combinations are shown below:

		Hilliness			
		< 0.6	0.6 - 0.9	0.9 - 1.1	> 1.1
Distance	< 60 km				
	60 - 90 km				
	90 - 110 km				
	> 110 km				

Grey cells above denote where a ride could be Blue or Red, at the Ride Leader's and Ride Secretary's discretion.

There may be very infrequent Black-rated rides which will be a significant challenge for most club riders.