## Sleaford Wheelers / Cycling UK Parental Consent Form

All participants in Sleaford Wheelers / Cycling UK rides and events under the age of 18 must have a signed Sleaford Wheelers / Cycling UK Parental Consent Form. The only exemption is where a young person having reached the age of 16 can prove that they are no longer living with their parents or guardians and are living as an independent adult. This needs to be proven by the supply of evidence such as a rent book or utility bill with the person's current address in their name or a National Students Union membership card.

## Sleaford Wheelers / Cycling UK Policy on Young People's Participation in Cycling Activities

The minimum age for unaccompanied children on any ride/event is 13. Children aged 13 to 17 may participate unaccompanied if they have parental permission and a signed Parental Consent form. There is no lower age limit if accompanied by a responsible adult acting in loco parentis, but a signed Parental Consent form is still needed.

Parents or guardians must also understand:

- the demands of the cycling activity and that they alone can make the decision about the ability of their child to complete it;
- that the child may cycle with other adults and/or with other children, but that there is also a possibility of the child cycling on its own (for example with treasure hunt events);
- that while Sleaford Wheelers / Cycling UK extends a welcome to cyclists of all ages and abilities, no special provision for children is made;
- arrangements to get to and from the event are the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian;
- that DBS checks may not have been done on event organisers or ride leaders.
  Sleaford Wheelers / Cycling UK, its members, agents and other participants
  may take photographs during the course of an event, mostly for private use but
  some may be for local or national publicity purposes. It may be difficult to
  ensure that photographs in which your child appears will not be used in any
  way. If you have concerns about this, please speak to the ride leader or event
  organiser.

I consent for the child named below to participate in Sleaford Wheelers cycle rides. I have read and understood the Notes above.

Name of Child:	Age
Signature of parent or guardian:	
Name: (Please use BLOCK CAPITALS)	
Date:	
Emergency Contact Details	