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THE BRITISH DRIVING SOCIETY'S HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY
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It is the policy of the British Driving Society (BDS) to adopt and put into practice procedures and measures which are reasonable and proportionate to endeavour to protect participants and others from foreseeable injury or damage resulting from activities of the Society. The BDS aims, in so far as is reasonable, practical and proportionate to:

1. Provide safe and healthy environments for all those working on its behalf, or under its authority
2. Provide sufficient funds and facilities for training and instruction to enable Society employees, Officials, Volunteers and other authorised persons to perform their appointed tasks safely and efficiently
3. Maintain a constant and continuing interest in health and safety matters by consulting employees, officials, volunteers, persons authorised by the Society to organise and manage BDS events and activities, participants and relevant organisations
4. Maintain contact with relevant health and safety bodies so that up-to-date information about legislation, codes of practice, and guidance relevant to the Society's activities is available and acted upon
5. Provide a consultation process in order for these objectives to be achieved
6. The Society recognises that:
 - a. *Section 7 of the Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 sets out the duty of every employee, official, volunteer, etc, to take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and other people who may be affected by their actions, and to co-operate with the Society to enable the BDS to fulfil its duties.*
 - b. *Section 14 requires employees, volunteers, officials, etc, to report harmful or dangerous situations or any shortcoming in the Society's protection arrangements for health and safety. The Society will make provision in its operating arrangements for these aspects to be fulfilled*
7. This document will be reviewed at least annually, and the revisions recorded.
8. In addition, revisions will be made to this policy whenever necessary in the light of changes in legislation, or in accident prevention methods and initiatives aimed at protecting health and safety, or in the light of revised practices, procedures, etc, resulting from any accident or incident/near-miss reported to the Society in relation to its activities.

Signed: BDS Chairman

Date: