

NZ High Five 1600K (New Zealand)



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Background / Rules

This is a New Zealand based ride.

The aim is to visit the highest sealed-road in each of the South Island's five provinces.

This ride has a special certificate with a custom design.



Based on a standard SaddleSore 1600K ride (1609+ km within 24 hours), but with the following extra requirements.

- You must get a photo of your bike at the five specified locations; those photos must include your motorcycle and the required signage.
- The specified locations may be visited in any order.
- A DBR will be required at the start and completion of your ride. Normal fuel receipt documentation is also required throughout your ride.
- If conditions do not permit your bike to be in the photo, then a selfie with the specific signage in the photo will be acceptable.

Specified Locations

<https://tinyurl.com/2chsexny>

- **Summit Lindis Pass.**

The highest sealed highway in Canterbury, in your photo will be the sign post with directions to Omarama and Tarras, and Lindis Summit 965m.

Location: -44.58829, 169.64313

- **Homer Tunnel – Entrance (Eastern side).**

The highest sealed highway in Southland, at 945 meters. In your photo will be the entrance to the tunnel but if this is not possible due to weather, traffic or light then a selfie in front of the traffic control station located next to the direction control lights will be acceptable.

Location: -44.76494, 167.98945

- **Haast Pass Summit.**

At 564 meters, the (second) highest sealed highway in Otago. A photo of your bike with the summit sign or selfie if conditions are difficult.

Location: -44.10740, 169.35470

- **Arthur's Pass Summit.**

At 920 meters, the highest sealed highway in the West Coast. Take a photo of your bike or selfie with the summit sign in the shot. A turning area is just past the sign if coming from the West.

Location: -42.90624, 171.55989

- **Takaka Hill Summit.**

At 791, the highest sealed highway of the Tasman region. A photo with the sign and your bike or a selfie with the sign in the shot.

Location: -41.03216, 172.86266

*Lewis pass – gets an honourable mention, but since it is neither the highest road pass in the West Coast, or Canterbury [that honour belongs to Lindis (965m) / Arthur's Pass (920m)] it is **not** a chosen waypoint on this ride, it clocks in at 907m.*

Tips for planning.

- It is highly advised not to travel between the Haast River Bridge and the Moeraki River Bridge between the hours of 3am and 6am, due to high deer movements as they return from the shore line areas to the high ground.
- All of the roads you will travel on have high tourist traffic flows including busses and campervans, avoid public holidays if possible.
- Wallabies have started to become a problem in the southern areas, they are big and unpredictable in their movements, mainly in the evenings.

- As with all IBA rides, the onus of proof is on the rider, using SpotWalla and logging your photos at the time they are taken can go a long way towards establishing the details of your ride. Please check your photos while you are at the waypoints, and before you upload them – they need to be clear enough for details of the location to be seen, this includes any nighttime photos where you may need to get creative with your lighting to show your bike(s) and the object required in the photo – plan your approach ahead of time.

Cost of verification / certificate:

Standard SS1600K costs apply