For Drivers

Motorcycles can be more difficult to detect because they are narrower than a car, even if the motorcycle has its lights on or the rider is wearing reflective or bright clothing.

Research has demonstrated that drivers find it harder to analyse the outline of the oncoming motorcycle as well as calculating the distance and speed of movement.



Believe it or not a motorcycle and its rider can be hidden from your view at junctions by very narrow objects such as lamp posts – road signs – the A-Pillar of your vehicle and also overgrown road side vegetation.

Watch your mirrors – riders can be in your blind spot – missing from your view between interior and door mirrors.

Judge the distance and judge the speed – don't rush junctions!

Listen for motorcyclists at junctions - especially in rural areas - wind down your window - turn down your radio.

Use your head - Not just your eyes!



Collision Facts

The top three causes for all KSI - Killed Seriously Injured motorcycle collisions (irrespective of responsibility) were: emerging from a minor road without care; excessive speed having regard to conditions; and turning right without care.

More than two-thirds (65%) of collisions happened 'at or within 20 meters of a junction'.

Of those collisions occurring at T-junctions, more than 45% occurred at a T-junction with give way signs or markings, followed by 36% at 'uncontrolled' junctions, and almost 13% at junctions with a stop sign.

Half of all motorcyclist casualties are caused by other drivers.*

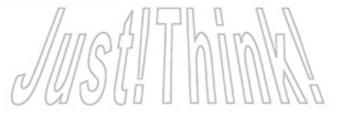
Just Look And See

Just be aware that the other road user may be a motorcyclist.

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Take time at junctions – whether turning out of or turning into a junction – or a petrol station – or your own driveway.

Just Look and See!



*Motorcycle casualties in NI Statistical Analysis, Causes and Influencing Factors published in December 2009

Organisations – Agencies – Motorcycle Clubs – Motorcycle Community work together in cooperation to bring together "Ride It Right".







