



Standard Bunch Calls

Bunch riding means **all** members of the bunch need to make calls. Calls need to be passed by **all** riders through the bunch, so that a call from the back makes it to the front etc.

Below is the list of 'Critical calls'. These are the standard for SCC and **no other variation** should be use in a SCC bunch.

The Call	Hand signal	Meaning
'call'	arm straight up in the air	Wanting to change lanes. Signalled by lead rider until a call of 'wait' or 'over' is made from last rider on the right
'wait'		It is not safe to change lanes.
'over'		It is safe to change lanes. It is not safe until all vehicles have passed all riders at the front of the bunch. ('over 1' followed by 'over 2' used when multiple lane changing is required.) <i>The rider calling 'over' should be safely in the lane before calling the bunch over.</i>
'hold the lane'		When you want the bunch to stay in the lane they are in and not move left.
'single up'		The bunch needs to change from 2 abreast to single file.
'Pair up'		It is safe for the bunch to go back to 2 abreast riding.
'stopping'		When the bunch needs to come to a stop.
'slowing'		made (preferably before it happens) when the group changes speed.
'rolling'		Used when traffic lights change to amber and lead riders make call that the entire bunch can make it through safely. (<i>see other use below</i>)
'clear'		Made when turning corners or through roundabouts to signal it is safe. (Also 'clear left' and 'clear right')
'hole'	pointing towards the hole coming	A dangerous hole in the road is approaching. Made by the first rider and passed through the bunch by all riders. (Includes 'left' 'right' and 'middle'). <i>This is not for every tiny bump in the road.</i>
'rubbish'	pointing towards the obstruction coming	A dangerous obstruction is on the road and approaching. Made by the first rider and passed through the bunch by all riders.
	Left arm bent and placed behind back	The bunch is approaching and passing an object that may need you to move off your line to avoid. Eg a parked car.
'door'		passing a car with potential occupant set to open or has opened door.

'car up'		On a narrow street a car coming the other way presents a potential risk so stay tight to the left.
'car back'		A car is behind the bunch wanting to pass or A car is overtaking the bunch
'turning left'	left arm out	Bunch will be turning if road is clear, be alert. (Also 'turning right')

Below are other accepted SCC bunch calls.

The Call	Hand signal	Meaning
'steady'		Used when riders on the front are pushing too much and breaking the bunch up.
'ease up'		Used when a rider or number of riders are dropped from a bunch. The front riders reduce speed such that those dropped can regroup. The goldilocks principle applies. Not too much, not too little, just right.
're-group at the top'		On a climb the front rider will crest the top and find a safe spot to pull over for the entire bunch until all members have finished the climb.
'all on?'		Made from the front riders to ask if the bunch has regrouped.
'all on!'		Made from the back to signify that the bunch is back together.
'mechanical'		Problem with a rider which means the group needs to stop. (Use this for all issues including punctures as puncture is sometimes confused with 'bunch up'.)
'rolling'	with bent arm and finger twirl	Also used when the riders at the front of the bunch change, to provide for a fresh rider at the front. Right front moves into front left position. Do not surge.
'bunch up'		Used to get people to group near a quick changing set of lights
'changing'		Used by front riders when stopped at traffic lights to signal 'lights are about to go green so get ready we are about to move off'
	When Pacelining.	
'paceline'		Bunch begins paceline effort. Steady and smooth movements. (movement is from right lane to left lane on the front)
'yes'		Used by the front left rider to signal that it is clear for the right rider to come in front
'last'		Used by last rider on right to indicate to the rider on the left they will need to move across. Note: Riders still need to check it is all clear to come across.