

## HALOGLOW ICE HELMET £39.99

Essentially two products in one, Haloglow Ice helmet is perfect for the rough and tumble of regular commuting thanks to the polycarbonate outer shell and unique integrated fibre optic/LED. However, twenty-four vents, in mould construction, washable pads and vastly superior thumb closures are very high spec relative to the asking price, extending its horizons towards touring and winter training too.

Delivering fifty five and twenty eight hours burn time (flashing and steady respectively) from two CR2032 watch type cells, it produces a captivating halo visible between three hundred and three hundred metres - even on a cloudy night and while no fan of inbuilt obsolescence, by the time you'd hit the optics' 10,000hr life expectancy the lid would be retirement ready without owing a bean. A peak would've been nice, shielding the face from rain and foliage but then, humble race/skull caps worn beneath do much the same thing.

Conforming to CE1078 and CS standards, the gloss black polycarbonate shell is better equipped to shrug at the everyday nonchalance (after all, its what riot shields are made from) while incurring nominal weight penalty and complimenting the entire wardrobe from full Lycra training ensemble to office issue suit and tie. Copious vents and washable pads retain an ambient inner climate, keeping things hygienic

and socially acceptable whatever the weather while the softer profile is more conducive to helmet mounted lighting systems - perfect for commutes or tours on the wild side. Regularly struck by random projectiles thrown up by HGV and similar vehicles, ours hasn't shown the faintest trace of swirls or more serious damage in several weeks.

Two hours at a steady 20mph tempo didn't fry my brains while the fibre optic component passed my garden hose test with flying colours. Switches are difficult things to perfect and requiring a two

second hold to engage, proved difficult in winter gloves. Of the two modes, flashing is by far the most eye-catching whether round town or along unlit lanes while the steady mode showed a tendency for blending in with neon shop signs and similar pollution.

**Michael Stenning**

**Verdict:** Well designed and keenly priced helmet for commuting and/or winter road use.

[www.moorelarge.co.uk](http://www.moorelarge.co.uk)



**Brand:** Haloglow

**Product:** Ice

**Publication:** Cycling World

**Edition:** Spring 11