

WSKC-IKR DRIVERS BRIEFING NOVEMBER 2020

- **WELCOME** - We hope you have a safe and enjoyable race meeting. Alan Smith, Nick Clarke, Gordon Rennie and Michael Clarke will be your CofC for this meeting. As no physical briefing will take place, the tyre policy will be announced at approx. 08.45am on the tannoy and on a board in the assembly area.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING/COVID 19** – Current Government, Motorsport UK & Larkhall Circuit/WSKC-IKR regulations and guidelines must always be adhered to regarding Social distancing. Face Coverings must always be worn within the venue apart from your awning or pit bay – you must wear face masks in team awnings. Masks must always be worn by anyone aged 5 years plus. Please remember there is now NO EXEMPTION from face coverings at Motorsport Events. You are permitted 1 Entrant plus 2 support personnel – Drivers over 18 should follow the Tier guidance set out by the government for travel.
- **MEETING FORMAT & TIMETABLE** – You will have received via email the timetable and Final Instructions (if any) for the event. To maintain reduced noise levels for our surrounding residents, the tannoy may be limited in use. Please keep checking your timetable. It is your responsibility to be in the right place at the right time – thank you.
- **DUMMY GRID** – Please ensure you follow the instructions from the officials. Mechanics you must be wearing a wristband to gain entry to the dummy grid or parc ferme areas – nobody except drivers and mechanics will be able to get access to the dummy grid, this is to ensure COVID-19 is followed and prevent non-essential personnel being present in this area, they can be collected on Saturday at 9.00am from Race Control and Sunday at 8.00am – there will be different bands for Saturday & Sunday.
- **GRID ASSEMBLY** –At all times please follow the grid marshal's instructions. The Grid Gate closes 2 minutes prior to the end of the previous track action. Not on the grid on time = no race, 1 class at a time on the Dummy Grid. To gain entry to the dummy grid and parc-ferme you must show your mechanics wrist band, 1 driver, 1 mechanic in these areas, only those with a wristband can stand on the gantry up to a maximum of 8, if this is abuse it will be closed and those ignoring requests will be sent home as per the event COVID guidelines.
- **HONDA/IAME CADET** – We will run rolling starts for this event, please ensure your driver is aware of how this will work and where the tramlines and yellow acceleration line is – Iame will start 15 seconds behind Hondas, breaking formation early, being out of position etc... are all punishable offences.
- **EXIT FROM THE TRACK** – The exit from the track is after marshal post 9, you need to approach at a slow speed, keep apart and await official's instructions. Please remain seated in your kart until instructed by an official to exit, drivers must keep their helmets on or wear a face covering whilst in the scrutineering area. Mechanics must be wearing a face covering while in the Scrutineering area.
- **MARSHALS POSTS** – There are 10 Marshal posts, and all posts will use flags to communicate to you. The flags are below and their meaning.

- **ROLLING STARTS (ALL)** – There will be yellow flag instructions to slow down on the exit of the banked to the final marshal's post at the bit bend no overtaking is permitted after post 8. Please keep a slow, steady, and constant speed of approx. 20 to 25mph and keep within the tram lines as you approach the start. Wait for the lights to go out then race on. Do not accelerate before the yellow marker, you may be punished for gaining an unfair advantage if you do, it is up to the pole and 2nd place man to control the speed of the start in accordance with the above speed limits and instructions. 1 Lap all classes for dry meeting, 1 Lap Cadet / 2 laps for Mini to Senior for Open/Wet meeting.
- **FIRST CORNER** – conditions could make the first corner 'tricky' please have respect for each other.
- **CIRCUIT CAMERAS** – There are circuit cameras in operation covering the majority of the circuit and cameras in operation in the Parc Ferme area.
- **QUARTER FLAGS** – The Quarter flags may be used during a race, please observe, and respect the flags. Please ensure you are familiar with the flags below.
- **DRIVING STANDARDS** – We never want to issue penalties; however, penalties will be issued without right of appeal at this meeting under the penalty table in the supplementary regulations which mirror that of the Motorsport UK penalty table. Should it be decided a driver has acted inappropriately on track and contrary to the Code of Conduct a 5 second penalty will be applied to their race time. Penalties will also be given if drivers abuse track limits as per the diagram in the SR's, this will be monitored by the Camera operative(s). Should it be decided that a driver is guilty of driving in a manner incompatible with general safety more serious penalties will be applied.
- **RUNNING OF ENGINES** - Kart engines are only permitted to run for a maximum of 10 seconds in awnings and all awnings must always have a working fire extinguisher visible and available to be used.
- **RED FLAG** – Please slow down to 20-25mph immediately and be prepared to follow marshal/official signals – the usual place for karts is post 9 to come to a stop at.

We hope you have an enjoyable and safe days racing and safe journey home.

Bikes, scooters and other similar modes of transport along with ball games are banned from the paddock throughout the meeting and should dogs be brought in to the grounds (we strongly advise against this) they must be kept on a lead at all times.

RACING FLAGS



STARTING SIGNAL

Red Lights (being extinguished) or National Flag Mandatory for the starting signal. The Flag should only be used as a starting signal if the lights fail.



FALSE START (KARTING ONLY)

Proceed to repeat another rolling lap.



SLOW DOWN IMMEDIATELY

Immediately cease driving at racing speed and proceed slowly, without overtaking, and with maximum caution to pits or start line obeying marshal's instructions and being prepared to stop should the track be blocked. End of race or practice. We will use this flag and normally line up at the final marshal's post prior to the pit entry.



DANGER

Stationary: Danger, No overtaking, slow down sufficiently to ensure that full control of the vehicle can be retained.

Waved: Great danger. Slow down considerably. No overtaking. Be prepared to suddenly change from the projected racing line, or take other evasive action including stopping if necessary. (This signal may be supplemented by flashing yellow light(s), as an added warning).



TRACK CLEAR

All clear, at the end of a danger area controlled by yellow flags. Also used to signal the start of a formation lap and shown at all posts during first lap of each practice session and during the formation lap.



OVERTAKING FLAG

Do not swerve about – keep your racing line!
Stationary: Another competitor is following close behind.
Waved: Another competitor is trying to overtake.



SERVICE CAR

A service car or slow-moving car is on the circuit.
Stationary: Whilst the vehicle is in the next sector.
Waved: indicate the sector of the track that the slow-moving vehicle is in.



MECHANICAL FAILURE

Notification of apparent mechanical failure or of a fire which might not be obvious to the driver. The kart concerned must call at its pit for repairs on the next lap. Displayed with white number.



SLOW DOWN NO OVERTAKING

This flag may be introduced by the Clerk of the Course following a report from an Observer. The flag will first be displayed at the start/finish line and then in track wise order at all flag posts. On passing the flag at the start/finish line, the race leader must slow down sufficiently (to around 25 mph/40kph maximum) and all competing karts must line up in order behind the Race leader who will act as the pace setter. No overtaking permitted.

The field will remain in close formation, at reduced speed, for as long as it takes to clear the obstruction or remove the hazard, whatever its nature. Competitors who fail to slow down sufficiently or who overtake under the Yellow/Black flag, thereby gaining advantage, may be excluded or otherwise penalised.

When the Clerk of the Course is satisfied that the track is clear, or the problem resolved, the Race will be resumed with a Green flag at the start/finish line and the simultaneous withdrawal of all Yellow/Black flags around the circuit.



SLIPPERY SURFACE

Stationary: Slippery surface ahead.

Waved: Slippery surface imminent.



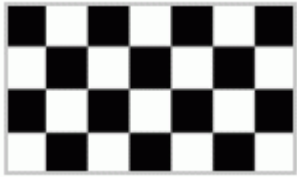
DRIVER WARNING

A warning, to the driver that his behaviour is suspect and that he may be black-flagged on further reports. Displayed with a white number.



REPORT TO THE CLERK OF THE COURSE

The driver must stop at his pit within one lap of receiving the signal and report to the Clerk of the Course. A penalty of exclusion may be enforced by display of the Black flag. Displayed with white number. This flag may be introduced by the Clerk of the Course following a report from an Observer.



END OF RACE OR PRACTICE

Immediately cease driving at racing speed and proceed slowly, without overtaking, and with maximum caution to pits, or start line obeying marshal's instructions, and being prepared to stop should the track be blocked.



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