





# 2023 MSA SARMC NATIONAL KARTING

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### **REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS**

Amendments and updates to the rules will be recorded in the Amendment Record, detailing the amendments, date applicable and a short summary of amendments.

#### AMENDMENT RECORD

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#### 2. GENERAL

BRP-ROTAX GmbH & Co KG, Rotaxstr. 1, 4623 Gunskirchen, Austria and its authorised distributors / partners organize the ROTAX MAX Challenge Grand Finals (RMCGF), International ROTAX MAX Challenges (IRMC) and National ROTAX MAX Challenges (RMC).

#### **ROTAX MAX Challenge**

Describes the concept of the ROTAX MAX Challenge program and specifying the regulations for the national RMC's in various countries which are the basis for the qualification for the RMCGF.

All the parties concerned (FIA, CIK-FIA, ASN, organisers, entrants and circuits) undertake to apply and observe the rules governing the race events.

Any International RMC event shall be run in accordance with the RMC Series Sporting Regulations, the RMC Technical Regulations and the International Sporting Code

(«the FIA-Karting-International Sporting Code») and its Appendices, with the Karting Technical Regulations («the FIA Karting Technical Regulations») and with any international regulations including these, with the General Prescriptions applicable to FIA Karting International events («the FIA Karting General Prescriptions»), as well as with any supplementary regulations drawn up by the ASN concerned.

Any changes or exemptions to the RMC Sporting regulations and RMC Technical regulations require the written approval of ROTAX following the agreement of the ASN presenting the series and or the FIA.

#### 1.1. ADMINISTRATION

a) South African Rotax Max Challenge (SARMC) Karting is administered under the provisions of the General Competition Rules of Motorsport SA (GCR's) and these SARMC Sporting Regulations (SARMC SSR's) the Global Rotax Technical Regulations, the SARMC Supplementary Technical Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations (SR's) published for each karting event.

- b) Where there is a contradiction between the GCR's and these SARMC SSR's the latter shall take precedence.
- c) Neither the MSA Karting SSR's nor the SSR's for circuit racing apply to SARMC events.
- d) Individual event SR's may not conflict with these SARMC SSR's
- e) Regional and club regulations may not be in conflict with these SARMC SSR's unless written authorization is obtained from the promoter. Where individual club or regional regulations are silent on this, and in the event of a dispute these SARMC SSR's will take precedence.

#### ANYTHING WHICH IS NOT EXPRESSLY ALLOWED IS FORBIDDEN.

#### 2. CHAMPIONSHIP OUTLINE

#### 2.1. SA ROTAX MAX CHALLENGE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

RACE CLASSES	STATUS	PRIZES
<b>Bambino</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 74 Kg	SA National Championship	World Final Replica Suit
<b>Micro Max</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 105 Kg	SA National Championship	World Final Invitation
<b>Mini Max</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 118 Kg	SA National Championship	World Final Invitation
<b>Junior Max</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 145 Kg	SA National Championship	World Final Invitation
<b>Senior Max</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 162 Kg	SA National Championship	World Final Invitation
<b>ROTAX DD2</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 177 Kg	SA National Championship Runner up	World Final Invitation World Final Invitation
<b>DD2 Masters</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 177 Kg	SA National Championship	World Final Invitation

#### Minimum average of 6 starters per class to declare a National Champion for 2023.

### 2.2. ROTAX AFRICAN OPEN

RACE CLASSES		STATUS	PRIZES		
<b>Bambino</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 74 K		Africa Open	World Final Replica Suit		
<b>Micro Max</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 105		Africa Open	Air ticket to spectate at RMCGF or RMCGF Invitation if one becomes available		
Mini Max Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 118		Africa Open	World Final Invitation		
Junior Max Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 145		Africa Open	World Final Invitation		
Senior Max Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 162		Africa Open	World Final Invitation		
<b>ROTAX DD2</b> Minimum age: see 5.3 Minimum weight 177		Africa Open	World Final Invitation		
<ul><li>DD2 Masters</li><li>Minimum age: see 5.3</li><li>Minimum weight 177</li><li>3. CALENDAR</li></ul>		Africa Open	Air ticket to spectate at RMCGF or RMCGF Invitation if one becomes available		
NATIONAL EVENTS					
<ul> <li>04.03.2023</li> <li>29.04.2023</li> <li>01.07.2023</li> <li>26.08.2023</li> </ul>	ldube Benoni Killarney Zwartkops	3 races 3 races 3 races 4 races			

#### ROTAX AFRICAN OPEN

• 01.10.2023 Zwartkops Final race of the day determines African Open winner

\* The <u>African Open</u> is a <u>Club event with International Participation</u> restricted event (refer GCR 60 iii). If a driver wins the African Open and the National Championship, he/she will keep the ticket for the African Open and the runner up of the National Championship will receive the second ticket.

#### NORTHERN REGIONS

- 11.03.2023 FK
- 15.04.2023 FK
- 10.06.2023 ZIKR
- 15.07.2023 ZIKR

#### WESTERN PROVINCE

- 15.04.2023 Killarney
- 13.05.2023 Killarney
- 03.06.2023 Killarney
- 19.08.2023 Killarney

#### EASTERN CAPE AND BORDER

- TBA
- TBA
- TBA
- TBA

#### KWA-ZULU NATAL

- 21.05.2023 Idube
- 18.06.2023 Idube
- 23.07.2023 Idube
- 13.08.2023 Idube

NB! To receive any prize including an invitation to the RMCGF it is mandatory to participate in the National Final.

#### **INFORMATION - THE CHAMPIONSHIP CO-ORDINATOR**

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#### 3.1 CIRCUIT CLOSURE

Circuits will be closed to all national competitors, as well as the equipment to be used in the National Championship event from 18:00 on the Sunday, a minimum of 10 days prior to a National Championship event until 09:00 on the Thursday (or Friday where the final is on Sunday) of the event.

NB! Competitors participating in race events at the same circuit within one week prior to any SARMC National event will not be permitted to practice before official practice on Friday (or Saturday where the final is on Sunday). The circuit remains closed for these competitors from the end of the event until the start of official practice.

#### 4. **REGULATIONS**

The Event shall be run in accordance with:

- the FIA Karting International Sporting Code and its appendices
- the FIA Karting official Bulletins
- the FIA Karting Technical Regulations
- the General Prescriptions applicable to FIA Karting International Events (Chapter 4.1 of the International Karting Regulations)
- the Global Rotax MAX Challenge Technical Regulations 2023
- the Global Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations 2023
- The General Competition Regulations (GCR's) of Motorsport South Africa (MSA)
- these South African Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations 2023
- the SARMC Supplementary Technical Regulations 2023 as approved by Rotax
- the Technical and Supplementary Sporting Regulations for Bambino
- the official Bulletins

All drivers, entrants and officials participating in the SARMC 2023 undertake, on behalf of themselves, their employees and agents, to observe all these regulations.

Headings in this document are for ease of reference only and do not form part of these Sporting Regulations. Rotax reserves the right to amend this regulation.

#### 5. CATEGORIES, LICENCE, AGE AND WEIGHT

#### 5.1 CATEGORIES

The categories available for the SARMC 2023 are the following:

- Bambino \*
- 125 Micro MAX
- 125 Mini MAX
- 125 Junior MAX
- 125 Senior MAX
- 125 MAX DD2
- 125 MAX DD2 Masters
- BAMBINO Class utilises a Top Kart / Comer kart and as it is not a Rotax Product, so the details of this class can be found in SARMC Bambino Supplementary Technical Regulations 2023.

#### 5.2 LICENCES

All licences hereafter have to be issued by MSA which is a member of the FIA.

For SARMC National Championship events a, national licence or international licence is required. For SARMC Regional Championship events a Regional, national licence or international licence grade is required. For IRMC events an international licence grade G, E or F (depending on category) and an international entrant licence is required. International licences will be issued as per the 2023 FIA Karting Sporting Regulations.

#### 5.2.1 COMPETITORS – ENTRANT REQUIREMENTS The following regulations are supplementary to the General Competition Rules of MSA.

The provisions of GCR 22 notwithstanding, in karting should a parent or court appointed legal guardian not be in a position to act as the entrant for his or her minor child, he or she may nominate another parent/legal guardian whose minor child is taking part in the same event/s or, alternatively, an adult competitor taking part in the same event, to act as his/her entrant by proxy. To be valid, any such proxy nomination must be submitted, in writing and signed by the parent/legal guardian appointing the proxy, to the Race Secretary for the relevant event/s prior to the commencement of competition.

An adult competitor may appoint another adult competitor competing in the same event to act as his/her entrant. Subject to what is set out below in order for that appointment to be valid, that appointment must be submitted in writing recording the reasons for the appointment and signed by the adult competitor appointing another adult competitor to act on behalf of his/her behalf to the Race Secretary for the relevant event prior to the commencement of the event.

For the purposes of this Regulation, an adult competitor excludes any person/s or body deemed to be a competitor (as envisaged in GCR 19) as a consequence of being an entrant in terms of GCR 22.

The Stewards and/or the Clerk of the Course shall be entitled to investigate the reasons why a parent/legal guardian and/or an adult competitor is not in a position to act either for himself/herself or for his/her minor child as an entrant. The Stewards and/or the Clerk of the Course shall in their sole and absolute discretion be entitled to accept and/or reject the appointment of either the third party nominated to act for a minor child or an adult competitor nominated to act for another adult competitor.

It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure that all persons concerned by his entry observe all the provisions of the code, the technical regulations, and the sporting regulations.

The person having charge of an entered kart during any part of an event is responsible jointly with the entrant and/or separately for ensuring that the provisions are observed.

Entrants must ensure that their karts comply with the conditions of conformity and safety throughout the event.

The presentation of a kart for scrutineering will be deemed an implicit statement of conformity.

Entrants, drivers, assistants, and guests must always wear the appropriate identification credentials which have been provided to them.

#### 5.3 AGE LIMITS FOR RACING IN SOUTH AFRICA

#### Bambino

<u>Age limits</u>: the driver must have at least his/her 5th birthday during the year of the event and must have his/her 10th birthday after 2023.

#### 125 Micro MAX

<u>Age limits</u>: the driver must have his/her **7th** birthday during the year of the event and must have his/her **12th** birthday after the year of the event.

#### 125 Mini MAX

<u>Age limits</u>: the driver must have his/her **9th** birthday during the year of the event and must have his/her **14th** birthday after the year of the event.

#### 125 Junior MAX

<u>Age limits:</u> the driver must have his/her **12th** birthday during the year of the event and must have his/her **15<sup>th\*</sup>** birthday after the year of the event.

\* A driver with 15 years old during the year of the event can participate in Junior MAX category only if he/she is placed on the official CIK FIA list for special licence cases to be able to hold a valid International G Karting Licence, according to Article 3.4.1 of the CIK International Karting Licences for Drivers.

#### 125 Senior MAX

Minimum age: the driver must have his/her **14th** \* **birthday** during the year of the event.

#### 125 MAX DD2

Minimum age: the driver must have his/her **15th** birthday during the year of the event.

#### 125 MAX DD2 Masters

Minimum age: the driver must have his/her **32nd** birthday during the year of the event.

#### 5.4 SUMMARY AGE LIMITS FOR THE RMCGF AND INTERNATIONAL RMC

Age limit	MICRO	MICRO MINI JUNIOR SEN		SENIOR	SENIOR MAX MASTERS	DD2	DD2 MASTERS	PROJECT E20 SENIOR	PROJECT E20 JUNIOR
	8-11	10- 13	12-14 *(15)	15+ *(14)	32+	15+	32+	15+ *(14)	12-15 *(15)
Age groups	2012 2015	2010 - 2013	2009 till 2011 *(2008)	from 2008 *(2009)	from 1991	from 2008	from 1991	2008 *(2009)	2008 till 2011 *(2008)

\*.... if the driver holds a Karting Licence, according to Article 3.4.1 (and is placed on the official CIK FIA list for special license case holders) and 3.4.2 of the CIK international drivers licences for karting drivers & code of driving conduct

#### 5.5 MINIMUM WEIGHTS FOR SARMC

The minimum weight for the kart, including driver and all required safety equipment (helmet, overall, gloves, etc.) must always be:

Minimum Weights	125 N MAX	Aicro	125 MAX	Mini	125 MAX	Junior	125 MAX	Senior	125 MAX	DD2	125 Mast	DD2 ers	MAX
(KG)	105		118		145		162		177		177		

#### 6. ELIGIBLE DRIVERS

RMCGF seats will be awarded by a qualification matrix executed by ROTAX. Responsible distributors may split up the granted seats among their territories. The number of seats per territory can change yearly.

ROTAX reserves the right to offer wild cards and driver packages to drivers according to criteria as it deems fit.

ROTAX also reserves the right not to accept an entry, without having to provide any justification. As per MSA GCR 99 (i) and 100.

ROTAX reserves the right to grant additional drivers from different classes to different countries under certain conditions to participate at the RMCGF.

The RMCGF 2023 is an international restricted event by invitations controlled by ROTAX (according to the FIA-CIK International Sporting Code).

## Expenses for the supplied karts, engines, tyres, petrol and entry fee for qualified drivers of the RMCGF 2023 is covered by ROTAX and its distributors.

Drivers can qualify via International or Nationals event providing the ROTAX MAX CHALLENGE Global sporting regulations 2023 and "ROTAX MAX CHALLENGE Global Technical regulations 2023" are followed in the RMC classes.

ROTAX reserves the rights to manage participation for Project E20 events as it sees fit. With prior pre agreement ROTAX selected distributors can utilise the seat allocation to nominate loyal ROTAX customers to participate at the RMCGF 2023.

#### 7. QUALIFICATION FOR RMCGF

125 Micro Max, 125 Mini MAX, 125 Junior Max, 125 Senior MAX/Masters and 125 DD2 MAX/Masters class: The overall winner of each national RMC class with authorisation in writing from ROTAX may gualify.

Additional drivers can qualify via international RMC.

The number of qualifying drivers must be defined in the sporting regulation of the respective race series.

DD2 MAX Masters: The overall winner of each national RMC, DD2 MAX Masters and/or Senior MAX-Masters class and/or the overall best placed master's driver (fulfilling the age limits for a Master's category following Rotax Global Sporting regulations 2023) of a national RMC in MAX or DD2 class with authorisation in writing from ROTAX may qualify.

At any time ROTAX reserves the right to offer wild cards or loyal ROTAX customer driver packages to drivers of all classes according to criteria as it deems fit.

In order to be eligible to qualify for a RMCGF ticket a driver must have held a licence for the territory in question from the first to the last round of the any National RMC.

A driver cannot change his/her licence to become eligible to win a RMCGFs ticket in another territory after the first round has been completed.

If a driver is not respecting the rules, under any doubt ROTAX reserves the right to refuse entry to the RMCGF.

A distributor may nominate a second placed driver from an RMC to the waiting list for RMCGF. If under any circumstances a qualified driver doesn't arrive at the RMCGF till the official registration is completed, Rotax reserves the rights to add a replacement driver from the top of the waiting list to take part at the event.

This rule applies until the start of the official non-qualifying practice at the RMCGFs.

ROTAX reserves the rights to manage qualification for Project E20 events as it sees fit.

#### 8. OTHER RULES

If a driver is qualified from a National, National with International participation, Continental (zone) or International RMC series / event at the same time, the qualification at the higher ranked series / event has priority for the qualification to the RMCGF 2023.

Ranking is:

- 1. International events
- 2. Continental (zone)
- 3. National with International participants \*
- 4. National events.

#### \*.... Any National event with international participation requires prior approval from ROTAX.

In such a case the next placed driver of the series / event in question will qualify for the RMCGF.

If a driver is qualified from two or more different National, Continental (zone) or International RMC series / events in the same category at the same time the driver must use the first ticket they win (defined by the final race date).

If the situation arose that a driver who is already qualified for the RMCGF is in a position to win a second ticket, this 2nd ticket in question would then be moved to the next placed driver who is eligible to win the ticket. A driver or distributor cannot decide which ticket a driver uses for his / her entry to the RMCGF.

The status of the following events will be classified as "International"

- 1. ROTAX MAX Challenge EURO Trophy
- 2. ROTAX MAX Challenge ASIA Trophy / Festival
- 3. ROTAX MAX Challenge International Trophy
- 4. All events listed on the FIA Karting International Sporting Calendar

The status of an event is considered as "Continental / Zone", if it is listed in the official FIA Karting Zone Calendar.

If a driver is qualified in two or more categories, he / she must participate in RMCGF 2023 in the higher ranked category only.

It is not permitted to participate in more than one category at the RMCGF.

Ranking is:

- 1. DD2 MAX or DD2 MAX Master (depending on the age of the driver)
- 2. Senior Max or Senior Max Master (depending on the age of the driver)
- 3. Junior MAX
- 4. Mini MAX
- 5. Micro MAX

At any double qualification ROTAX reserves the right to decide which race series counts for the qualification to avoid any strategic behaviour of competitors.

#### Note\*

It is strictly forbidden to offer RMCGFs for sale, the RMCGFs tickets are offered as rewards for ROTAX drivers around the world.

\*not applicable to the Project E20 category

#### Project E20

If a driver qualifies to race at the RMCGFs in one of the categories listed above and the Project E20, the driver must notify ROTAX via email immediately after acquiring the second ticket which RMCGFs category, they wish to participate in.

Once this email is received and accepted in return by ROTAX the decision is final and cannot be reversed. (Email : <u>Sara.Jernejc@brp.com</u>)

#### 9. GENERAL CONDITIONS

It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure that all persons concerned by his entry observe all the provisions of the code, the technical regulations and the sporting regulations. If an entrant is unable to be present in person at the event he/she must nominate his representative in writing.

The person having charge of an entered kart during any part of an event is responsible jointly with the entrant and / or separately for ensuring that the provisions are observed.

Entrants must ensure that their karts comply with the conditions of conformity and safety throughout the Event.

The presentation of a kart for scrutineering will be deemed an implicit statement of conformity.

Entrants, drivers, assistants and guests must always wear the appropriate identification credentials which

have been provided to them.

#### **10.** RACING NUMBERS AND NAME OF THE DRIVER

Racing numbers shall comply with provisions of the FIA Karting Technical Regulations or local ASN for National events.

The name of the Driver and nationality shall appear on each side of the lateral bodywork and be clearly legible, in accordance with Article 3.7 of the FIA Technical Regulations. At the RMCGF, it must also appear in large letters on the drivers race overall, at the top of his back and on each of his legs.

The flag of the Driver's nationality shall be that of the nationality of his licence.

All karts must have visible, at all time during the event, the four starting numbers (one on the back, one on the front, and one on each side of the kart).

Driver will not be allowed to enter the Servicing Park without all the racing numbers present on the kart in a good condition.

Racing numbers for each category are:

- Bambino 1 to 99 Black number yellow backing
- Micro MAX 601 to 699 Black number yellow backing
- Mini MAX 501 to 599 White number blue backing
- Junior MAX 401 to 499 White number green backing
- Senior MAX 201 to 299 White number black backing
- Master MAX 301 to 399 Black number white backing
- DD2 1 to 99 White number red backing
- DD2 Masters 101 to 199 Black number white backing

#### **11. OFFICIALS**

The officials will be appointed according to the supplementary regulations published for the event. The Clerk of the Course, the Stewards, the Chief Scrutineer and the Chief Timekeeper must be present at the event at the latest one hour before the beginning of the sporting checks.

Notwithstanding the provisions of GCR 151, all Stewards at all National and Regional karting events must hold a Clerk of the Course licence which is valid for karting.

#### AT REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS:

- Penalties shall ONLY be imposed directly by the Stewards (following a hearing), either acting of their own volition or acting on a report from the Clerk of the Course.
- Once the Stewards have made a decision (to impose a penalty or otherwise), said decision cannot then be the subject of a protest.
- Any decision made by the Stewards is subject to appeal which requires the lodging of an application for leave to appeal to MSA refer to GCR 212.

#### <u>AT CLUB EVENTS/RESTRICTED EVENTS:</u>

• Penalties shall be imposed by the Clerk of the Course (following a hearing) and any decision made (to impose a penalty or otherwise) may be the subject of a formal protest to the Stewards, with no rights of further appeal thereafter.

Regardless of the event status, if a competitor lodges a protest against another competitor, the Stewards will hear such protests as has always been the case.

A Clerk of the Course applying for an upgrade to an 'A' grade license must be approved by the MSA Karting Management Group.

#### **12. ELIGIBLE KARTS AND EQUIPMENT**

The SARMC 2023 is reserved for karts with ROTAX MAX engines in different configurations, as defined by the Global RMC 2023 Technical Regulations.

At the SARMC 2023 each driver will be entitled to submit to scrutineering the equipment as defined in the Global RMC 2023 Technical Regulations.

#### 12.1 CHASSIS

Chassis must be in accordance with the RMC Global Technical Regulations 2023 and the SARMC Supplementary Technical Regulations.

During the event, and in case of an accident, the driver can only change a chassis (frame) once following the authorization of the Clerk of the Course in consultation with the Technical Consultant. The replacement frame must be from the same "Manufacturer" and "Model".

#### 12.2 ENGINE AND CLAIM SYSTEM

Engine and its accessories must be used in accordance with the RMC Global Technical Regulations 2023.

Engine buy out - Karting is plagued with claims that you can import special tuned kart engines from exotic countries, rumours of extraordinary amounts of money being spent have been around in motorsport and karting for decades.

The engine claim system gives everyone peace of mind that the playing field is level and accessible.

ENGINE CLAIM PROCESS - APPLICABLE ONLY TO BAMBINO, MICRO, MINI AND JUNIOR MAX

- 12.2.1. By entering the SARMC Series everyone agrees to make their engine available for the claim system.
- 12.2.2. Any refusal to comply with the claim system will lead to any points scored by the competitor in question in the relevant regional or national series being annulled.
- 12.2.3. No further entries will be accepted in any SARMC class from a competitor refusing to comply with the engine claim system.

- 12.2.4. An irrevocable offer to purchase the winner's engine must be lodged with the Clerk of Course by a claimant on race day before the start of the first heat. Payment in full must be made to the organisers.
- 12.2.5. The Clerk of Course will notify the competitor at the end of the last race if the winner's engine has already been claimed in which case you will buy the runner up's engine.
- 12.2.6. For Rotax engines, the claim price will be based on the current new price as published on www.kartstore.co.za plus 10%.

The claimant must specify if they want the engine with or without accessories – as supplied by Rotax – and pay that price plus 10% to the organisers.

For Bambino engines, the claim price will be based on the current new price as published on www.kartstore.co.za plus R 3 000.00

The claimant must pay the price plus R3000.00 to the organisers.

- 12.2.7. At the end of the days racing once the 30-minute parc-ferme time period has expired or after any technical strip is concluded the motor will be impounded by the organisers.
  - In the event that the claimed engine is found to be illegal in the post-race technical strip, the claim is automatically cancelled and the claimant/s will be refunded.
  - As soon as conclusive proof of payment is satisfactory to the organizers, the complete engine will be handed over to the claimant by the organizers.
  - If the winner has used two engines on the day the claimant may choose one of the two engines used.
- 12.2.8. A competitor may only claim an engine once per season.
- 12.2.9. A competitor may only have his/her engine claimed once per season and may not race the engine claimed again in the same season.
- 12.2.10. If a winner's engine is claimed and it happens to be someone whose engine has previously been claimed (as in 10.2.9. above) then the second placed competitors engine automatically becomes the "winner's claimed" engine. Note point 10.2.4 above.
- 12.2.11. If the competitor submitting the successful buyout claim is the winner of the day then the second placed competitors engine automatically becomes the "winner's claimed" engine. Note point 10.2.4 above.
- 12.2.12. The organisers are only the facilitator in the claim system and cannot be held responsible for the condition or eligibility of the engine and all the risk lies with the claimant. The claimant is advised to be present at every step of the process.
- 12.2.13. Once the claimant has paid to the satisfaction of the Organisers the seller will be issued with a certificate from Ed Murray Racing CC against which a new engine (as per claim) as well as the payment of the 10% into their nominated bank account will be made.

### 12.3 BRAKES

The brakes must be homologated by the FIA Karting and as specified in Rotax Global Technical Regulations 2023. In the case of chassis with a wheelbase of less than 95 (Bambino, Micro and Mini) older karts fitted with original braking systems as approved by Italian Federation or similar are acceptable.

#### **12.4 SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

Helmets, gloves, rib protectors, boots, race overalls must all be approved under the FIA Karting Technical Regulations Article 7. MSA approval is also acceptable refer to GCR 239.

#### 12.5 **TYRES**

Tyres as specified in the SARMC Supplementary Technical Regulations 2023 as approved by Rotax are the only tyres allowed for the SARMC 2023.

#### 12.6 FUEL

Commercial quality petrol from a specified roadside petrol station only, maximum 95 Octane, mixed with Rotax XPS Oil.

It is incumbent on the competitor to ensure that they purchase the correct fuel and mix it in the correct ratio as specified in the SR's for the event so that when a pre-race check is conducted on the pre-race grid that the fuel meets the Digatron FT64 reading for the day.

The following test method will apply to all karting events and classes as approved by MSA, Club, Regional and Nationals.

The test instrument will be the Digatron FT64 which must be clearly identified by a serial number or identifying mark and will be the only instrument of the day to be used. Only MSA approved Fuel TC's may perform fuel testing.

The only calibration on the instrument of the day will be the reading from the mixed reference sample fuel that is kept by the fuel TC.

A clearly marked reference sample of every mix ratio (fuel: oil) will be kept by the fuel TC or COC.

The difference in reading between the reference sample that is applicable for each class and competitor fuel reading may not be more or less than 2 points, this value may be changed by the Fuel TC of the event before qualifying. Fuel testing can be done at any time during the event.

The temperature difference between samples may not be more than 2 degrees Fahrenheit. If the temperature and dielectric reading is not within limits the Fuel TC may insist that the competitor change to fuel that complies before being allowed to race. The COC or Fuel TC may at any time have competitors fuel replaced with organisers fuel. Refusal to do so will lead to exclusion without the possibility to protest.

The minimum amount of fuel in the tank at any time may not be less than 300ml, the fuel may be decanted into a suitable container for the necessary testing to be done.

It is the responsibility of the competitor to always be present when readings of the fuel are done and to check with the fuel TC that the fuel used by competitor is within the set parameters.

#### 12.7 TRANSPONDER

The driver / entrant must have his own transponder and it is his / her responsibility to have it charged and functioning all the time whenever he / she will be on the track. Transponders may be rented from the organisers or others, but the responsibility rests with the competitor to have a functioning transponder fitted from the start of the event i.e., from the start of official practice.

By determination of the Chief Scrutineer, under approval of the Clerk of Course, the transponder

positioning may be changed for one or for all drivers.

#### 12.8 ONBOARD CAMERA

The organizer reserves the right to equip Karts of drivers with an onboard camera system. Selected drivers must mount the onboard camera system in accordance to the series / event Supplementary regulations.

The total weight of all components counts to the total weight of the kart.

The driver cannot refuse to install the onboard camera on his / her kart.

#### **13. SPORTING CHECKS AND SCRUTINEERING**

- a) During the initial scrutineering and sporting checks, which will take place on the time and dates and at the locations specified in the supplementary regulations of the event, each driver and each entrant must have all required documents and information available.
- b) Unless a waiver is granted by the Clerk of Course in particular circumstances, drivers and entrants who do not keep to the time limits imposed will not be allowed to take part in the event.
- c) The Clerk of the Course or the Chief Medical officer may ask a driver to undergo a medical examination or drug or alcohol test at any time during an event.
- d) All karts are checked by the organizer in accordance to SARMC Supplementary Technical Regulations and according to the RMC Global Technical Regulations 2023. However, if any kart is dismantled or modified in a way that might affect its safety or call into question its eligibility, or which is involved in an accident with similar consequences, must be re-presented for scrutineering approval.
- e) At any time during an event, the Scrutineers and/or Technical consultant may:
  - check the eligibility of the kart or of the driver's equipment.
  - Require an entrant to supply them with such parts or samples as they may deem necessary.
  - The Clerk of the Course may require that any kart involved in an accident be stopped and checked.
- f) The Clerk of Course will publish the findings of the scrutineers concerning all karts controlled and will place them at the disposal of other entrants on request. These findings will not include any specific figures except concerning fuel tests.
- g) Submitting a kart to scrutineering shall be considered as an implicit statement of conformity.
- h) Racing numbers fitted front, rear and both sides, <u>www.kart.co.za</u> on front rear number plates and RMC South Africa logo prominently on the side face of each side fairing must be on the kart when the equipment is presented at scrutineering and must remain in place throughout the event.
- i) A driver is not allowed to change his / her equipment after it has been presented at scrutineering.
- j) Notwithstanding anything stated to the contrary in MSA's General Competition Rules, (Specifically GCR 176) Any contravention of the karting technical regulations or specifications will be deemed to afford an advantage, until the contrary is proven, and will generally result in automatic exclusion from the relevant race (in circumstances where it can reasonably be assumed that the contravention applied to the specific race only) or from the entire event/race meeting (in all other cases). The provisions of GCR 176 will only apply where, at the sole discretion of the appointed Technical Consultant (or alternate

official fulfilling a similar role), he/she refers the matter to the manufacturer of the relevant component/equipment manufacturer and said manufacturer confirms in writing that the referred contravention will not afford any performance advantage. Any such decision obtained from the applicable manufacturer shall be deemed to be final.

Any component and or kart found not to comply with the technical regulations and specifications must be impounded by the relevant officials. The component may be returned to the competitor if the infringement is capable of being rectified (e.g. axle of kart too wide) but only after an admission of guilt form has been filled in, signed by the competitor and submitted to, and accepted by, the Clerk of the Course.

It is at the discretion of the Clerk of Course to decide whether to return a non-compliant part, in consultation with the TC.

A competitor removing a part/kart from parc fermé that is deemed to be the subject of a technical infringement, as pronounced by the TC, without having signed an admission of guilt form, will automatically be excluded from the race concerned (if it is clear that the infringement was only in respect of the particular race) or from the entire race meeting (in all other instances). Any such exclusion shall be final, without the prospect of protest or appeal.

In the event of a dispute concerning any item/component/part not covered in the relevant regulations or specification sheets, the Technical Consultant shall be empowered to make a ruling as to whether or not a contravention exists and, if found that one does, to recommend an appropriate penalty other than exclusion for imposition by the Clerk of the Course.

#### **14. BRIEFINGS**

Location of the briefing will be published in the Supplementary Regulations.

The time of the briefing is defined in the programme of the event. The time stated is the beginning of the briefing. The meeting shall always be held before qualifying practice or the first qualifying heat.

Extra meetings may be organised if this is deemed necessary.

It is the Drivers / Entrants duty to enquire about time and place of the briefing and / or consecutive briefings. The time and location will be posted on the official Notice Board and available from the race office.

The presence of all concerned drivers/entrants is mandatory throughout the briefing

Any competitor/entrant failing to attend drivers briefing will be fined a **R 1 000**, - or more which must be paid to MSA before he/she will be allowed to continue to compete in the event.

#### **15. RACE EVENT**

Rotax Recommends the following format below.

#### 15.1 NON -QUALIFYING PRACTICE:

The discipline applied in the Servicing Parks and on the track as well as the safety measures will be the same for all practice sessions as those applied for Qualifying Heats and the races of the final phase.

The time schedule of the event must provide a non-qualifying practice for each category. They are reserved for those drivers having passed the sporting checks and scrutineering. No Driver may take the start of a Race without having participated in at least one Free Practice session. If there is a full grid of drivers, the drivers shall be divided into two series for odd and even numbers.

The use of transponders is mandatory from the beginning of the non-qualifying practice.

The number of non-qualifying sessions and time for each session will be defined in the Supplementary Regulations.

The Clerk of the Course may interrupt Practice as often and for as long as he/she deems it necessary for the clearance of the track or the removal of a kart. Further, if, in the Clerk of the Course opinion, the stop is deliberately caused by a Driver, the times he/she has achieved in that session may be cancelled and he may be refused the authorisation to participate in any other Practice session. In the case of Free Practice only, the Clerk of the Course, , may decide not to resume the Practice session after such an interruption.

Should one or several Practice sessions be interrupted in such manner, no protest relating to the possible effects of this interruption on the qualification of Drivers would be accepted.

#### **15.2 QUALIFYING PRACTICE**

A 10-minute timed session for each class or a 3- lap super pole.

Drivers must be on track 3 min after Qualifying Practice started. If a driver is not on track after those 3 min the driver will be disqualified from Qualifying Practice.

Any driver who has not participated in the Qualifying Practice may request in writing to the Clerk of the Course the authorization to continue in the race. The Clerk of the Course will decide according to the circumstances of the absence in the Qualifying Practice. There will be no protest allowed into the decision.

#### 15.3 STARTING GRID

At the end of the final Qualifying Practice session, the list of qualified Drivers as well as the starting grids will be officially published.

Only these Drivers will be allowed to take the start of the Qualifying Heats or Prefinal and/or of the final phase.

Any Entrant whose kart(s) is (are) unable to take the start for any reason whatsoever or who has good reasons to believe that his/her kart(s) will not be ready to take the start must inform the Clerk of the Course

The grids will be drawn up in accordance with the fastest time achieved by each Driver, taking into account the Qualifying Practice session(s). Should one or several Drivers achieve the same time, the tie will be settled on the basis of their second-best time, and so on.

The pole position Driver of each grid will have the choice of the pole position (on the left or right side of the track), providing that he advises the Clerk of the Course as soon as he reaches the "Pre-Grid". This choice will only modify the first row, to the exclusion of the others. Failing this, the pole position Driver

of each grid will take the start of the Race from the grid position designated in the Supplementary Regulations of the event

Access to the "Pre-Grid" will end five minutes before the time scheduled for the start of the Race. Any kart which has not taken its position on the "Pre-Grid" at that moment shall not be allowed to do so, except under exceptional circumstances left to the appreciation of the Clerk of the Course

Any Driver who is present, with his/her kart, on the pre-grid within the time limit will be considered as a starter.

#### **16. EVENTS COUNTING TOWARDS THE SARMC AND POINT SCORING**

The SARMC series points are calculated by adding your Regional points to your National points with the following formula.

#### **Regional Points**:

- a. A driver will score points in the SARMC events in the region in which he/she resides. Nomination of a different region must be applied for and approved in writing by the championship coordinator before your first SARMC point scoring race, failing which you will only score in the region in which you reside.
- b. Each region designates four rounds of their regional championship in agreement with the championship co-ordinator as SARMC scoring events.
- c. The first heat is seen as a qualifying heat and the second and third heats are scored as two finals.
- d. Drivers may score points in 8 regional finals in their designated region only.
- e. The sum of points obtained in the best 6 (six) of these 8(eight) regional final heats will be divided by 6 (six). This will be added to their total series score.
- f. Drivers who take part in Regional events will receive 1 (one) bonus point for each final heat started.
- g. At regional events with less than 6 (six) starters the points are to be scored as follows: from 2nd place if only five starters, 3rd place if four starters and so on.

#### **National Points:**

- h. The first three National rounds each have time trials and 3 (three) point scoring finals.
- i. The fourth and final National event has time trials and 4 (four) point scoring finals.
- j. The best 10 finals out of a possible 13 finals at National events count.

#### Important Note!

- Final(s)/ points: A starting grid of max. 34 drivers and the race of min. 15km or 15 minutes.
   Score-points 35, 32, 30, 29, 28...... to last placed finisher. Non-finish: minus 5 points off last finisher.
- In the event of a technical non-compliance the Technical Consultant in consultation with the Technical Delegate, will determine if a technical non-compliance is a serious offence to gain an advantage, then the exclusion cannot be dropped. The Technical Consultant must report this to the Clerk of Course, who may issue the penalty to the competitor after a hearing as envisaged in GCR 175. Technical infringements that are not deemed a serious offence to gain an advantage will be scored as zero points and may be dropped.

#### **Final Classification**

The championship results as calculated above will determine the

- Rotax South African Champions
- Drivers qualifying for invitations to the RMCGF

The point standing in the SARMC will be published on the <u>www.motorsport.co.za</u> and <u>www.kart.co.za</u> website.

Trophies will be awarded in each class for at least the first three finishing drivers of the final of the SARMC 2023 events and series.

#### **17. DEAD HEATS BETWEEN DRIVERS**

If two or more Drivers finish the season with the same number of points, the highest place in the Karting Championship held over a series of Competitions (in either case) will be awarded to:

- a) the holder of the greatest number of first places in the national races for National Championship and regional races only for a Regional Championship.
- b) if the number of first places is the same, the holder of the greatest number of second places as above applies,
- c) if the number of second places is the same, the holder of the greatest number of third places and so on until a winner emerges.
- d) if there is still a dead heat, the better position in the Final Race of the last Competition will be decisive.

#### **18. COMBINING OF CLASSES**

- a) It is permitted to combine Rotax classes up or down according to the Rotax ranking so Micro Max combines with Mini Max; Junior Max with Senior Max and DD2 with DD2 Masters. SARMC scoring races may not combine Rotax classes with non-Rotax classes.
- b) Regions are requested in 2023 to always run above combinations together in practice and racing.
- c) Under no circumstances ever should Bambino be combined with any other class.
- d) Grid should be staggered with the higher ranked class starting first.
- e) The results will be scored by means of the "class within a class system" for DD2 and DD2 Masters as follows: All finishers are scored in the higher-ranking class first. The higher ranked class is then removed and the lower ranked rescored.
- f) If there is strong support in a region for both classes in a combined category, organisers may run these classes separately.
- g) These principles are applied to promote better value for both competitors and spectators. It also will assist to have more practice time and shorter race days.

#### **19. STARTING PROCEDURE**

The start signal should be given by means of lights or MSA flag as per event SR's.

Drivers may only restart themselves and no assistance may be given.

Any driver who is present, with his/her kart, on the pre-grid within the time limit will be considered as a starter.

At the end of the Formation Lap, Drivers will proceed forward at a reduced and constant speed towards the Starting Line, lined up in two lines of karts, and each line shall remain within the lanes marked on the track. A Driver crossing the lanes is liable to be sanctioned by the Clerk of the Course, on the basis of a time penalty of 3 seconds for partly crossing the lanes and of 10 seconds for completely getting out of

the corridor. When the karts approach, the red lights will be on. Karts must maintain their position until the start signal is given.

If he is satisfied with the formation, the Clerk of the Course or Starter will give the start by switching off the red lights. If he is not satisfied with the procedure, he will switch on the orange light, which means that another Formation Lap must be covered.

In order to regain one's position, it is forbidden to use any course other than the track used during the race. Driver who is delayed will have the possibility of regaining his grid position only if this manoeuvre does not impede other Drivers and in all cases before having reached the Red Line which will be materialised on the track, and indicated by the Clerk of the Course at the Briefing.

If he considers that a Driver has been immobilised as a result of another Driver's mistake, the Clerk of the Course may stop the Formation Lap and re-start the procedure on the basis of the original grid or allow the impeded Driver to regain his position.

Any attempts to jump the start or delay it and any karts leaving the lane before the lights are switched off shall be sanctioned according to Article 34.17 and 34.18 below.

As soon as the start has been given, racing conditions are applied and, irrelevant of the position of a kart on the track, it is forbidden for any outside assistance to be given, except for parking it to a safe location. Only MSA officials will be allowed to give assistance.

#### a) STOPING / RESTARTING A RACE

The procedure which will be used should it become dangerous to continue the race will be suspended by the showing of red flags and, if appropriate, resumed with a "SLOW" process as described in Article 19.1 below.

#### Note

#### No reserve karts are permitted in the Servicing Park.

The race classification will be the finishing order at the showing of the chequered flag at the end of the resumed race.

#### 19.1 RESUMING A RACE WITH "SLOW PROCESS"

If a Race is suspended, the resuming procedure will be conducted with the "SLOW" process. At the order of the Clerk of the Course, Drivers will proceed to start in a neutralised situation for one or more laps. The Marshals' Posts will display "SLOW" boards with static yellow flags. If the formation is satisfactory, the Clerk of the Course will signal the resuming of the Race by means of a waved green flag at the start line. Overtaking will remain prohibited until the karts have crossed the start line. On approaching the start line, where a green flag will be waived by the Starter or the Clerk of the Course, the Drivers may accelerate only after crossing the yellow line preceding the start line. The yellow flags and the "SLOW" boards at the Marshals' Posts will then be withdrawn and replaced by waved green flags. These flags will be displayed for a maximum of one lap.

#### **19.2 SUSPENDING A PRACTISE OR RACE**

Should it become necessary to suspend the Practice or Race because the circuit is blocked by an accident or because weather or other conditions make it dangerous to continue, the Clerk of the Course (or, if he had to leave, by his deputy) shall order a red flag to be shown on the start line. Simultaneously, red flags will be shown at marshals' posts provided with these flags. The decision to suspend the race or practice may be taken only by the Clerk of the Course (or, if he had to leave, by his deputy). If the signal to stop racing is given:

#### a) During Practice:

All karts shall immediately reduce speed and go back slowly to the Servicing Park, and all karts abandoned on the track shall be removed; Practice will be resumed as soon as possible to meet the original Practice time.

#### b) During the Race:

All karts will immediately reduce their speed and proceed as directed by the Clerk of the Course (or, if he had to leave, by his deputy).

#### c) To the "Repair Area":

At this point changes and adjustments are allowed including the introduction of replacement equipment – provided that was placed within "Start Servicing Park" prior to the original race start, refuelling is allowed.

#### In case of restart procedure "more than 2 laps but less than 75% of the race distance":

If the judge of fact reports that the front fairing on one or more karts was no longer in the correct position when the race was suspended, in all situations a time penalty of

5 seconds will be imposed automatically on the driver(s) concerned. This time penalty is not susceptible to protest.

#### d) Stop on the track at the place designated in the briefing:

When instructed by the Clerk of the Course (or, if he had to leave, by his deputy) no changes or adjustments can be made to the original equipment (except to reset the front fairing in the correct position under the supervision of the Scrutineers) and refuelling or chassis/engine changes are not permitted. All karts must be ready at the 5 minutes board. Karts not available at this time will start from the pit lane once the race start has been given.

The classification of the Race at the moment of the suspension will be the classification when the leading kart crossed the Line at the end of the lap prior to that during which the Race that was stopped and any front fairing penalty will be taken into account – and will determine the single file starting grid should the race be resumed.

#### **19.3 RESTART PROCEDURE**

#### a) LESS THAN TWO LAPS

The original start will be deemed null and void and all competitors who are able to restart the race will do so in their original grid positions – a normal start procedure will be adopted. The length of the new race will be the full original race distance.

b) MORE THAN 2 LAPS BUT LESS THAN 75% OF THE RACE DISTANCE (Rounded up to the nearest higher whole number of laps) If the Race can be resumed (at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course (or, if he had to leave, by his deputy). The single file grid will be determined by the finishing order when the leading kart crossed the start line at the end of the lap prior to that during which the Race was stopped. Only karts in the Repair Area at the time when the Race was stopped by the Red flag, will be allowed to take the restart. Should a restart of a race in the final phase not be possible, half championship points will be awarded for this race.

#### c) NO RESTART PROCEDURE

75% OR MORE OF THE DISTANCE OF THE RACE (Rounded up to the nearest higher whole number of laps).

The race will be called complete – the classification of the Race will be the classification at the end of the lap prior to that during which the signal to stop the Race was given. In case of a race in the final phase, full championship points will be awarded for this race.

#### **20. SERVICING PARK**

Only **ONE** driver per kart and **ONE** mechanic is allowed in "Servicing Parks" and only with proven passes. No karts/persons are allowed to enter "Servicing Park" with any liquids (except water in clear transparent plastic bottles, for drinking purposes).

#### 20.1 PRE-GRID

- a) The pre-grid gate closes **3-minutes** before race time. Any kart which has not taken its position on the pre-grid at that moment will not be allowed to do so, except under exceptional circumstances left to the discretion of the clerk of the course.
- b) Mechanics must clear the pre-grid immediately.
- c) Karts on the pre-grid must be ready to race, all further work and or adjustment (except for tyre pressure) to the kart on the pre-grid is strictly forbidden
- NO TOOLS except tyre pressure gauge
  - d) Any kart which needs mechanical assistance to start must do so at the rear of the grid and remain at the rear until after the race start respective the number of formation laps.
  - e) Karts on the pre-grid are prohibited to return to the service park.
  - f) During qualifying should a driver require assistant after the "30-second" signal in the timed qualification the 2 best laps will be annulled.

#### **21. SCALE / WEIGHING PROCEDURE**

a) The scale of the day will be in the "Servicing Park". This scale is the **ONLY** one which will be officially used and counted. The scale will be available from the first non-qualifying session.

After Qualifying Practice, the Qualifying Heats and the races of the final phase, each kart crossing the Line will be weighed. If the kart is unable to reach the Weighing Area by its own means it will

be placed under the exclusive control of Marshals, who will take it there or have it taken there, and the Driver shall report to the Weighing Area as soon as he returns to the pits so that his weight may be established.

- b) Driver needs to stand on the scale with all racing safety equipment
- c) No solid, liquid or gaseous matter or substance of any nature whatsoever may be added to a kart, placed on it or removed from it before Weighing (except by a Scrutineer/TC within the framework of his official duties).
- d) Only Scrutineers/TC and Officials may penetrate in the Weighing Area. No intervention whatsoever is allowed in that Area unless it has been authorised by these Officials.
- e) A kart or a Driver are not allowed to leave the Weighing Area without the authorisation of the Technical Consultant (or Scrutineer).
- f) Any infringement to these provisions relating to the Weighing of karts may entail the imposition of a penalty on the Driver and kart concerned.
- g) If the weight of a Driver and of his kart is under that specified in the Technical Regulations, the result will be communicated in writing to the Entrant, and the kart and its Driver will be excluded from the Qualifying Practice session or from the Qualifying Heat concerned or, in the case of a final phase Race, as a minimum classified last (Without allocation of any Championship points, if applicable).
- h) Drinking water from a clear plastic bottle is allowed in the servicing park after weighing (if approved by the TC however any driver pouring water over his/her head and race overall will be penalized with an additional 1 (one) KG on the weight of kart and driver

#### **22. FRONT FAIRING**

The use of a FIA Karting homologated Front Fairing and the FIA Karting homologated Front Fairing Mounting Kit of the bodywork homologation period 2021 – 2023 is mandatory, in accordance with FIA KARTING Specific Prescriptions, article 31 and FIA Karting Technical Drawing No 2.2.1. The provisions of FIA Karting Specific Prescriptions, article 31 regarding mounting, installation, checking, reporting of breaches and application of penalties will be applied in full. Should a competitor's nose cone no longer be in the correct position at the end of a race as envisaged in the regulations, an automatic and non-protestable standard 5-second penalty will be added to the race time. A nose cone that has become dislodged i.e., not in the correct position at the end of qualifying, the competitor will have his/her fastest qualifying time deleted.

NB: A defective nose cone may allow bumping to go un-punished. If the underside of the nose has worn through at the connection to the vertical front face the nose cone the nose cone is no longer legal and the kart should not race. Damage like this renders the nose cone ineffective to the intended design - which is to penalize offenders who bump into their fellow competitors. Repairs are forbidden and if no supplier has any stock any make of FIA Karting Nose Cone a repair approved by the TC is acceptable for that event only.

A defective nose cone will be photographed and penalized in the same way as an out of place nose cone.

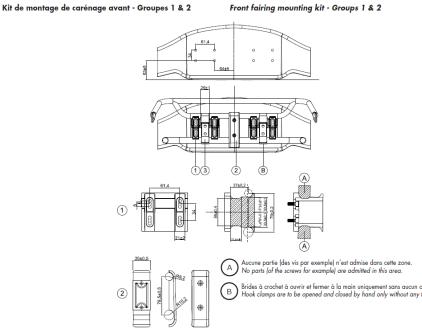
The Clerk of the Course, on receipt of an image from the nose cone official illustrating that the competitor's nose cone was out of place, will automatically add a penalty of 5 seconds to the race time of the competitor concerned. Photographic evidence submitted **ONLY** by the Nose Cone official and or any MSA official listed in the event SR's, of the nose cone dislodgement will be sent to the Clerk of Course and will be deemed as irrefutable evidence in the issuing of a penalty Any competitor found to be tampering with his/her nosecone, from outside the kart or from his/her sitting position within the kart anywhere between the finish line and the weigh in scale will be excluded from the *event*. This decision is final and may not be protested.

Such penalty will automatically be imposed without the requirement for a hearing as envisaged in GCR 175. The Clerk of the Course may empower a deputy / assistant Clerk of the Course to issue nose cone penalties without same having to receive instruction from the Clerk of the Course for each infringement.

Should a competitor's nose cone no longer be in the correct position at the end of Qualifying and/or a race, the penalty applied will be as per the penalty schedule. Notwithstanding the provisions of GCR 175, this decision is non-protestable.

#### DESSIN TECHNIQUE N°2.2

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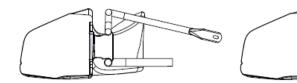
Installation correcte du «Carénage Avant» - Groupes 1 & 2

Position correcte / Correct position

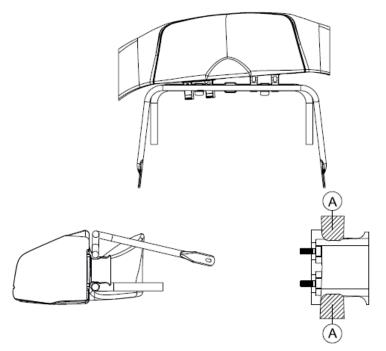
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#### Correct installation of the "Front Fairing" - Groups 1 & 2

Postion acceptable / Acceptable position



Position non aceptable si une quelconque partie des tubes du pare-chocs avant se trouve dans les zones marquées (A). Not acceptable position if any part of the tubes of the front bumper are in the marked areas (A).



#### **23. PODIUM CEREMONY**

The drivers classified 3rd, 2nd and 1st as determined in according with the supplementary regulations of each championship shall climb on the podium one after the other.

The first 3 competitors must wear their overalls zipped up at prize giving ceremonies.

If caps are supplied by the organiser of the RMC 2023, they must be worn by the drivers during the podium ceremony.

All drivers agree that ROTAX and its sponsors may use photographs or videos of RMC races (including names and photographs of drivers) for advertising, publicity and public relations purposes.

#### 24. NOTIFICATIONS BY THE CLERK OF THE COURSE OR THE STEWARDS DECISIONS TO DRIVERS / ENTRANTS

All notifications summons issued by the Clerk of Course as well as the Stewards decisions regarding a specific Driver / Entrant will be sent electronically to the Driver's / Entrant's mobile phone using an application developed by ROTAX for this purpose, named ROTAX GLOBAL. Or will be published on the official driver's board in the event of electronic communication problems (load shedding).

#### 25. HOW DOES THE ROTAX GLOBAL APP WORK?

The ROTAX GLOBAL APP is free of charge and is available for download for IOS and Android.

The ROTAX GLOBAL APP requires internet access.

During driver's registration process Driver / Entrant will get his own and unique QR code (also known as EDIT code). With this code, Driver / Entrant will register in his/her mobile phone and the system recognizes than those are the registered persons as the official receivers of the notifications.

It is the responsibility of Driver / Entrant to keep this code confidential.

This ROTAX GLOBAL APP will communicate with the EVA Event Management system (EMS).

The EMS is the communication platform used internally by the organizer and the stewards and it will record the time that all the information / notifications will be sent to Driver / Entrant and the time when the Driver / Entrant read the notification.

#### **26. COMMUNICATION FLOW**

The Clerk of the Course or Stewards will send the notification or decision via EMS to the Driver / Entrant and all the registered users will get this information immediately on their mobile phone.

When Driver or Entrant reads the notification, the EMS immediately records the time at which the notification was read, thus officially confirming the notification sent to the Driver / Entrant.

During driver's registration, the organizer will provide all the important information how to use the App and how to register.

At the Drivers Registration, the Entrant will sign a document stating that he/she will be responsible to register in the ROTAX GLOBAL APP all the starting numbers which he/her is responsible for as an Entrant, to check with the due diligence if he is receiving any notification and to guarantee that during the event period his mobile phone is connected to the network. Driver / Entrant must register with the QR code given during the driver's administration.

In case of loss, damage or battery failure of the mobile phone, it is Entrant's responsibility to register in another mobile phone, in order to assure he/she will receive the notifications of and the Clerk of the Course or Steward's decisions.

In the event of internet failure in the paddock area, the Entrant / Driver will be notified personally.

#### **27. INSTRUCTIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS TO ENTRANTS**

All classifications and results of qualifying practice, the qualifying heats and the race(s) of the final phase, as well as any decisions of the officials of the event will be sent to the ROTAX GLOBAL APP and posted on the official WhatsApp notification board.

#### 28. FINES

A fine may be inflicted on any entrant, driver, assistant, organizer who does not respect the prescriptions of the officials of the event.

In case of a disqualification (based on a decision of the Clerk of the course or Stewards of the event) from the event, the organizer reserves the right to charge a penalty.

Fines imposed by the Clerk of the Course or the Stewards must be paid to MSA as per the GCR's.

#### **29. PROTEST**

Incident Reports will not be accepted by the officials and any competitor who considers himself/herself sufficiently aggrieved, and requires an issue to be formally investigated, is advised to rather lodge a formal protest/appeal as per the relevant GCR's within the stipulated time limits.

By entering events in the SARMC competitors agree that time is of the essence and that a protest will only be heard if they are submitted strictly in accordance as per MSA GCR Part IX. The protest must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

#### **30. PADDOCK RULES**

A Paddock Observer will be appointed as a Judge of Fact in respect of the following paddock rules:

Starting of engines is only allowed in the designated area / Servicing Park and engines may only be run in the designated area / servicing park for a maximum of 5 seconds. A driver starting an engine outside these areas, or exceeding the permitted running time, will be penalized with a fine of R 1 000. A second offence may lead to exclusion.

It is strictly forbidden to smoke or to use any device which risks provoking fire in the Paddock area, the Servicing Parks, the Parc Ferme, the Assembly Area, on the starting grid or on the track (along the course). Offenders, including Officials, will be penalized by a fine of **R 1 000** and may be asked to leave the circuit. This includes the use of electric cigarettes / vaporisers.

It is forbidden to cook in the Paddock, except with a special authorization from the Organizer.

Children under 7 years old who are not permanently accompanied will not be admitted in the Paddock Area. As per 2023 MSA GCR 143 (vii) no animals are permitted at the event.

It is forbidden to use motorized vehicles (except authorized by the Organizer) such as mini- motorcycles, scooters etc., in the Paddock Area under the pain of exclusion.

#### **31. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS**

For safety reasons the organizer will provide all the servicing park area and pre-grid with the necessary and sufficient quantity of fire extinguishers.

Every competitor must have a serviced fire extinguisher of at least 1.5Kg. These extinguishers must be presented at scrutineering and must be secured to the kart trolley.

#### **32. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR DRIVERS**

- a) All participants must play within the rules and respect race officials and their decisions.
- b) All participants (Drivers, Entrants, Mechanics, Officials) must respect the rights, dignity and value of their fellow participants regardless of gender, sexual orientation, ability, physical appearance, race, skin colour, language, political opinion, family disability, cultural background or religion.

# There is absolutely NO TOLERANCE for the manifestation of discrimination toward above mentioned.

- c) All participants must encourage and take responsibility for their actions at all times.
- d) All participants must ensure their equipment is safe and race worthy, prior to taking part in training, testing or race events. Only approved racewear (e.g.: helmet, gloves, race boots and suit) to be used by the driver, according to the regulations.
- e) It is the participants own responsibility to identify and measure his/her own skill level against his/her competitors, and take responsibility for the risks associated with training, testing and or racing. It should be noted that a basic level of competence is required.
- f) It is the participant's responsibility to declare, prior to any participation in training, testing or racing, of any medical condition or medication required that may be relevant in the event of an emergency.
- g) All participants are required to display courtesy and etiquette to other members and participants in training, testing and race events. Any disputes or problems that may arise during an event must be addressed in a respectful manner, to the correct person (official) at the event.
- h) The safety of children within the sport is a priority. Knowledge of the code of ethics surrounding care of children in sports will be promoted and encouraged. It is the participant's own responsibility to ensure the safety of children at training, testing or racing events. Refer to the MSA Safeguard-ing Policy.
- i) When taking part in any event, it is the responsibility of the driver to take the time to read and fully understand the posted rules, regulations and conditions for said event prior to start time, thus eliminating unnecessary delays at the beginning of the event. Requests for clarification of these rules, regulations or conditions, should be asked in the drivers meeting held before each event.
- j) All participants must have respect for the environment and the surrounding inhabitants. Responsibility must be taken to reduce excessive noise and keep all areas that are used as clean and pollution free as possible.
- All participants must respect that drugs and alcohol are strictly prohibited at training, testing and races. It is an offence and will not be tolerated. Offenders will be excluded from the event and face further disciplinary action.
- Any abusive comments on social media (Facebook, Twitter etc.) between teams, competitors, officials, organizers, or any person associated with ROTAX, will be held responsible and liable for their actions

### **33. GENERAL SAFETY**

a) It is strictly forbidden for Drivers to drive their karts in a direction opposite that of the race unless this is strictly necessary to remove the kart from a dangerous situation.

- b) During Free Practice (according to the regulations of the championships concerned), Qualifying Practice, the Qualifying Heats and the races of the final phase, Drivers may use the track only and must at all times observe the dispositions of the Code relating to driving on circuits. The circuit is defined by the white lines on both sides of the track. Drivers are allowed to use the whole width of the track between these lines. If the four wheels of a kart are outside these lines, the kart is considered as having left the track.
- c) During Free Practice (according to the regulations of the championships concerned), Qualifying Practice, the Qualifying Heats and the races of the final phase, a kart that stops must be removed from the track as rapidly as possible in order for its presence not to constitute a danger or be an impediment for other Drivers. If the Driver is unable to remove the kart from a dangerous position by driving it, it is the marshals' duty to help him, the Driver must stay close to his kart until the end of Free Practice, Qualifying Practice, the Qualifying Heat or the races of the final phase. In the case of a Practice session run over two parts separated by an interval, all karts abandoned on the circuit during the first part must be taken back to the "Servicing Park" during the interval and may participate in the second part of Practice.
- d) Any repairs with tools are banned outside the "Repair Area". It is forbidden to take any tools and/or spare parts on board the kart. The Driver can receive help only in the "Repair Area" determined by the Supplementary Regulations or during the Briefing.
- e) If refuelling is authorised, it may be carried out only in an area provided for this purpose.
- f) Except in cases expressly provided for by the Regulations or by the Code, no one except the Driver is authorised to touch a stopped kart unless it is in the "Repair Area".
- g) When the track is closed by the Clerk of the Course or his deputy during and after Practice and after the finish until all concerned karts whether they are mobile or not, have arrived at the "Finish Park" or at the Parc Fermé, no one is allowed to access to the track, with the exception of marshals carrying out their duties and of Drivers when they are driving.
- h) During Free Practice (according to the regulations of the championships concerned), Qualifying Practice, the Qualifying Heats and the races of the final phase, the kart may be restarted only by the Driver himself, except if he restarts from the "Repair Area". The Driver may not receive any outside help on the track during the running of a Competition, except in the "Repair Area", which he may reach only by his own means. Pushers are not allowed to help Drivers once they have crossed the line drawn at the exit of the "Pre-Grid".
- i) A speed limit may be imposed in the pit lane and in the Repair Area during Practice, races and the Formation Laps. Any Driver breaking this speed limit will be imposed a penalty provided for in the Regulations or the Code.
- j) If a Driver is faced with mechanical problems during Practice, the Qualifying Heats or the Races of the final phase, he must evacuate the track as soon as possible for safety reasons.
- k) If a Driver is involved in a collision, he must not leave the circuit without the Clerk of the Courses permission
- I) No Driver may leave the "Repair Area" without having been invited to do so by Marshals.
- m) Official instructions will be transmitted to the Drivers by means of the signals provided for in the Code. Competitors must not use flags similar to these ones in any way whatsoever.
- n) Any Driver who intends to leave the track, to return to the "Finish Park" or to stop in the "Repair Area" shall demonstrate his intention in due time and shall ensure that he may do so safely.
- o) During the Competition and at the order of the Clerk of the Course a Driver who breaches the Technical Regulations, except during the final lap, must stop in the "Repair Area" and remedy the breach before re-joining the track.
- p) When participating in Free Practice (according to the regulations of the championships concerned) or Qualifying Practice, in the Qualifying Heats or the Races of the final phase, Drivers must at all times wear the full equipment defined under Article 12.4 of these Regulations.

- q) It is forbidden to circulate with motorbikes, scooters or any other motorised devices in the Paddock. The starting up, running in, warming up or testing of kart engines in the Paddock as well as in the Reserved Areas (see Article 20 of the International Sporting Code) is strictly prohibited. Offenders will be penalised by a fine of minimum R 2 500. In the event of repeated breach, the Clerk of the Course may disqualify the driver concerned of the competition.
- r) The Organiser undertakes to have on the track all safety devices from the beginning of Free Practice until the end of the Competition.
- s) In the case of a «wet race» (conditions signalled by the Clerk of the Course), the choice of tyres will be left to the appreciation of the Drivers, the Clerk of the Course reserving the right to use the black flag if he/she deems that a Driver's kart is fitted with the wrong set of tyres and that the Driver is too slow and dangerous for other Drivers. The use of «slick» tyres is therefore mandatory in any other case.

#### **34. PENALTY CATALOGUE**

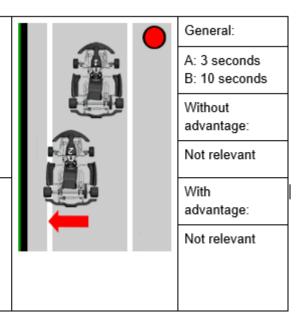
Participants, who commit an irregularity, shall be punished with a penalty according to the below regulations as well as possible imposition of LPS points as per Article 35.

breaches and penalties below do not restrict the Clerk of the Course or the Steward (in the case of a protest) from imposing further penalties, in accordance with the general regulations, if they deem the incident justifies it.

#	DESCRIPTION	PENALTY
34.1	Gaining an Unfair Advantage	5 seconds
34.2	Driving in a manner incompatible with general safety	Minimum 5 seconds up to 10
	<ul> <li>– e.g. causing an accident</li> </ul>	seconds, Race or Meeting
		exclusion
34.3	Contravention of flag signal before or after Race - Black & White / Yellow	5 seconds
34.4	Contravention of flag signal during Race – Black	Minimum 5 seconds up to 10
	&White / Yellow	seconds
34.5	Contravention of flag signal - Ignore Technical Flag Twice	Black Flag
34.6	Contravention of flag signal – Red Flag or Black Flag	Race or Meeting exclusion
34.7	Abusive Language, Behavior or Assault	Race or Meeting exclusion
34.8	Failure to attend Drivers' Briefing	Fine of R 500
34.9	Failure to obey an Official of the Meeting	Race or Meeting exclusion
34.10	Scrutiner Non-Compliance Report, vehicle or	Race or Meeting exclusion
	component inéligible	See Article 16.I
34.11	Underweight	Race exclusion
34.12	Failure to report to Scrutineering	Race Meeting exclusion
34.13	Incorrectly positioned front fairing - Qualifying	Deletion of fastest time
	practice	
34.14	Incorrectly positioned front fairing – race	5 Seconds penalty
34.15	Attempting to tamper with or reattach the front	Race exclusion
	fairing during race / timed qualifying	
34.16	Intentionally reattaching the front fairing after	Meeting Disqualification &
	checkered flag	Consideration of Referral to MSA

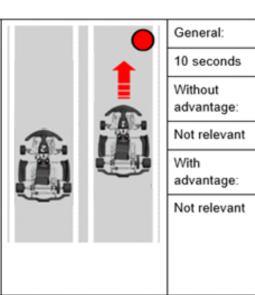
34.17. FALSE START (Type A) means Kart 2 leaves the marked corridor during launch phase with at least two tyres before the start has been released. Leaving = the tyres are completely on or outside the corridor line.

> FALSE START (Type B) means Kart 2 leaves the marked corridor during launch phase with at least four tyres before the start has been released. Leaving = the tyres are completely on or outside the corridor line.

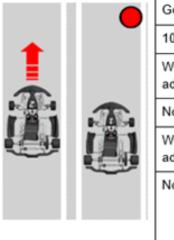


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**JUMP-START** means that Kart 1 (pole position) accelerates during launch phase leaving Kart 2 behind before the start has been released. It is irrelevant if the start will be repeated afterwards.



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General: 10 seconds Without advantage: Not relevant With advantage: Not relevant

34.19.	CUT-IN means that Kart 1 constricts the		General:	
	driveable section towards the curve centre forcing Kart 2 to leave the		Not relevant	
	driveable section either partial or completely for passing the curve. It is irrelevant if the Karts have touched		Without advantage:	
	each other or not. A prerequisite is, however, that Kart 2 has to be at least		10 seconds	
	1/3 (front tyres next to rear tyres) next to Kart 1.	105	With advantage:	
	An advantage is at hand, if (either/or):		10 positions	
	<ul> <li>Kart 2 suffers a position loss or dropout.</li> <li>Kart 2 suffers a damage leading in a position loss or dropout within the same lap.</li> </ul>			
-	SHORT-CUT means that Kart 2 leaves		General:	
34.20.	the track completely and returns to the	-	Not relevant	
	track at a different section. It is irrelevant why Kart 2 has left the track.		Without	
	An advantage is at hand, if (either/or):		advantage:	
	- Kart 2 wins a position or gains time	IP TO A	Warning only	
	which cannot be balanced within the same		With advantage:	
	lap. - Kart 1 or any other is handicapped by		10 positions	
	the return of Kart 2. - Kart 1 or any other suffers a position loss or drop-out by the return of Kart 2.			
34.21.	PUSH-OUT means if Kart 1 constricts		General:	
	the driveable section towards the outside line forcing Kart 2 to leave the	-	Not relevant	
	driveable section either partial or completely. It is irrelevant if the Karts have touched each other or not. A		Without advantage:	
	prerequisite is, however, that Kart 2 has to be at least 1/3 (front tyres next to rear		10 seconds	
	tyres) next to Kart 1.		With advantage:	
	An advantage is at hand, if (either/or):		10 positions	
	<ul> <li>Kart 1 wins a position.</li> <li>Kart 2 suffers a position loss or drop- out</li> </ul>			

34.22. EDGE-INTO means that Kart 2 drives General: next to Kart 1 (e.g. in order to start an Not relevant overtaking action) without possessing enough driveable section (including Without kerbs). It is irrelevant if Kart 2 is advantage: completely or partial next to Kart 1 or if Kart 2 is completely or partial off the 10 seconds track. With advantage: An advantage is at hand, if (either/or): 10 positions - Kart 2 wins a position. - Kart 1 suffers a position loss or dropout - Kart 1 suffers a damage leading in a position loss or drop-out within the same lap.

34.23. BUMP means that the front of Kart 2 touches the rear of Kart 1. Neither the reason nor the intensity of the contact is relevant. Only the consequences of the impact are relevant to judge an advantage, not the impact itself.

An advantage is at hand, if (either/or):

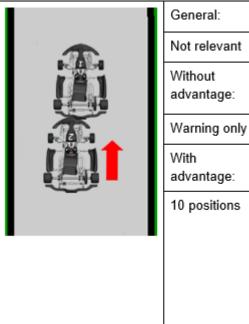
- Kart 2 wins a position and the previous order cannot be restored within the same

lap.

- Kart 1 suffers a position loss or dropout.

- Kart 1 suffers a damage leading in a position

loss or drop-out within the same lap.

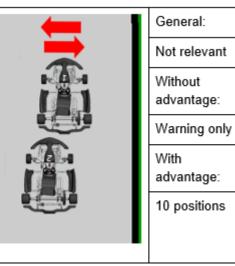


10 positions

ZIG-ZAG means that Kart 1 changes 34.24. the driving line more than two times on a straight track section for more than a kart width. It is irrelevant how far Kart 1 is ahead of Kart 2 or if Kart 2 would have been able to overtake.

An advantage is at hand, if (either/or):

 Kart 1 acts more than once a time this way within the same race.



#### **35. LICENSE PENALTY SYSTEM (LPS)**

As in F1 or daily life, there need to be consequences for our actions and so when you take an MSA license to enter the SA Rotax Max Challenge and any associated karting event you choose to follow and abide by the regulations including the LPS.

The **LPS** is not intended to remove rights but rather to make everyone more conscious of when their actions impact the rights of others involved in our sport and create an unpleasant environment.

It needs to be understood that team members, parents and or guardians' misconduct will lead to licence penalty points for competitors.

### The Code of Conduct LPS system:

- 1. Competitors will start with 12 points when purchasing an MSA karting license.
- 2. A rolling 12-month total for all competitors will be kept by MSA.
- 3. An immediate three 3-month racing ban will be applied to any competitor reaching zero points.
  - a. Only months where at least one MSA National, Regional Race or the Africa Open in the competitors' own region will be counted, i.e., December and January will not count as one of the three months.
  - b. After a competitor has served a ban as identified in point 3, his/her points will be reset to 12 points.
- 4. The Clerk of the Course and/or, in the case of a protest, the Stewards at a regional, national race day or the Africa Open are empowered to deduct penalty points, following an appropriate hearing as per GCR 175, according to the scale below:
  - a. Additional penalty points (up to a maximum of 4) over and above any penalty may be deducted for any offence not listed herein at the sole discretion of the Clerk of the Course or the Stewards.
  - b. Any unsuccessful protest will cost:
    - i. A 2 point deduction for the first time,
    - ii. A 4 point deduction for the second time,
    - iii. A 6 point deduction for the third time or more, in a calendar year.
  - c. 6 Points will be deducted for any unsuccessful appeal.
  - d. It should be noted that any successful protest costs zero points and a successful appeal will cancel both the protest and appeal penalty points relating to that incident.
  - e. The License Penalty System only applies to National, Regional and the Africa Open events.
  - f. Technical infringements (over and above any penalty for the infringement):
    - i. 2 points will be deducted for the first time,
    - ii. 6 points will be deducted for the second time
    - iii. 10 points will be deducted for the third time or more, in a calendar year.
  - g. 6 points will be deducted for physically or verbally abusing an official.
  - h. 6 points will be deducted for accusations of bias that cannot be substantiated.
  - 6 points will be deducted for an unsuccessful request for a Court of Enquiry or attempting to launch a belated protest or appeal, when a protest in the prescribed manner could reasonably have been followed on the day. *It should be noted that no penalty points will be applicable if the complaint is upheld by an MSA Court.*

- j. 6 points will be deducted for any abusive comments on social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) between teams, competitors, officials and organizers.
- k. Any driving conduct or sporting incident that is considered serious enough by the Clerk of the Course or the Stewards (in the case of a protest) to warrant an LPS penalty (over and above any penalty already applied by the COC on the day) will incur:
  - i. A 4 point deduction at a Regional and the Africa Open
  - ii. A 6 point deduction at a National after a hearing with the competitor concerned.
- I. 6 Points will be deducted for public misbehaviour/poor conduct causing any disturbance or public spectacle unbecoming of a sporting event. Retaliation is seen in the same light as aggression and will not be accepted as an excuse or a defence in a plea for mitigation.
- m. Prize giving is part of race day and foster sportsmanship. Penalty points will be applicable if podium finishers missing prizegiving without notifying the race secretary before the prizegiving:
  - i. 1 point will be deducted for the first event,
  - ii. 2 points will be deducted for the second event and
  - iii. 3 points will be deducted for the third event or more, in a calendar year.
  - iv. Not wearing a race suit properly zipped up for interviews, photographs or podium presentations:
    - 1. 1 point will be deducted for the first offence,
    - 2. 2 points will be deducted for the second offence
    - 3. 3 points will be deducted for the third offence or more, in a calendar year.

An MSA Court shall be entitled to deduct any number of penalty points up to the maximum of 12, which will automatically trigger a 3-month ban. Alternatively, an MSA Court may impose any other form of penalty open to it.

MSA Courts are entitled to hear matters, and impose penalties, outside of the LPS system where deemed warranted.

### 36. FLAGS

- 36.1 The extinguishing of the red lights 4 to 7 seconds after being lit will indicate the start of the race. Alternately it is permitted to start by raising the MSA flag above the head and lowering it will indicate the signal to start.
- 36.2 Yellow flag with green diagonal cross/crosses indicates that the race has false started and that the field must slow down and reform the starting grid.
- 36.3 Finish Flag a black and white checked flag.
- 36.4 Red Flag The practice/qualifying/race has been stopped. Competitors must immediately slow down, being prepared to stop if so indicated and return at a very reduced speed to the start line and await further instructions.
- 36.5 Black Flag Always shown with the competitor's number, the competitor must stop at the pits at the end of the lap and report immediately to the Clerk of the Course.
- 36.6 Black & White Diagonal flag Always shown with the competitor's number, the competitor is observed for unsporting behaviour and must stop such behaviour immediately and report to the Clerk of the course immediately after the practice/qualifying/race.

- 36.7 Black flag with orange disc Always shown with the competitor's number. The competitor is warned that his/her kart has a potentially dangerous technical defect and must stop in the pits at the end of the lap to remedy same. Having crossed the scale and repaired the defect a competitor may re-join the practice/qualifying/race.
- 36.8 Yellow flag indicates potential danger or obstruction on the circuit no overtaking until one has passed the incident. Overtaking under yellow flag will result in a penalty.
- 36.9 The use of a green flag must be stated in the SR's for an event where the officials deem necessary to indicate that the circuit is clear (after a yellow flag). No overtaking allowed before the green flag.
- 36.10 Yellow and red striped flag change of surface e.g., fluid/sand on the track.
- 36.11 White flag there is a slow-moving vehicle on the circuit. This could be a slow kart, an ambulance or service vehicle.
- 36.12 Blue Flag Indicates to a competitor that a faster competitor is about to overtake. Only shown to a competitor being lapped.
- 36.13 Blue Flag with red diagonal crosses always shown with a number board, indicates to a competitor that he is lapping too slowly and that he must leave the circuit at the end of that lap.