



2023 Whitland Raceway Park Competition Rulebook

2023 rulebook update 01/26/2023

- Rules are subject to change at the discretion of Whitland Raceway Park
- The race director holds the right to circumstantially modify any procedures
- 2023 rule changes are highlighted below

I. Technical/Safety

For engine and chassis regulations, refer to the 2020 WKA rule book for the following classes:

- Yamaha Sr.

For engine and chassis regulations, refer to the 2022 USPKS rule book for the following class:

- 100cc Sr KA/VLR
- Micro Swift / Vortex Mini
- Mini Swift / Vortex Mini 60
- 100cc Jr KA/VLR

For engine and chassis regulations, refer to the 2023 CKNA rule book for the following classes:

- LO206 Jr. Sportsman
- LO206 Jr.
- LO206 Sr.
- LO206 Heavy
- LO206 Super Master

1. Oil

- a. All 2-Cycle classes must run 6 - 8 ounces of approved oil per gallon
 - i. Redline
 - ii. Maxxis 927 Castor
 - iii. Xeramic Castor Evolution 2T Kart Racing Oil

2. Tires

- a. The following classes are **Open Tire** compound
 - i. Kid Kart Novice
 - ii. Kid Karts
 1. All other classes must run MG Red compound
- b. Any driver found using any compound other than the MG Red will be disqualified from the session and placed at the tail of the grid for the following session.
- c. It is the driver's full responsibility to have the proper tires for the race.
- d. Whiteland Raceway Park may have tires available for purchase
- e. **Rain Tires must be MG's**

3. Safety Equipment

- a. Helmets
 - i. All Helmets must have a SNELL SA 2015, K2015, M2015, or newer safety rating.
 - ii. All Helmets will be checked at registration and receive a helmet sticker to be placed on the right side of the helmet.
 - iii. A driver will not be allowed on track until their helmet has been inspected and received a helmet tech sticker.
- b. Abrasion-resistant driving suits or jackets are required
 - i. If a driver is using a jacket, they must be wearing abrasion-resistant pants (jeans, leather, etc)
- c. Safety gloves and close toed shoes are required
- d. Rib vest are **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** for all ages but not required
- e. Neck braces are required for all drivers competing at the junior level and below.
 - i. Senior drivers are not required to wear neck braces but it is still recommended that drivers wear one

4. Ballast Weight

- a. All weights must be painted white with the kart number written clearly on at least one side of the weight
 - i. If a weight falls off on track, that driver will be disqualified from the session
- b. All weights are to have a 5/16th Grade 5 bolt or better

- i. If weight is more than 7 pounds, two 5/16th bolts are needed
- c. All weights must be safety wired, cotter pinned, or double nutted

5. Numbers

- a. All karts are required to have their numbers on the kart in four locations
 - i. Front Fairing
 - ii. Both Side Pods
 - iii. Rear bumper or the back of the seat
- b. All numbers must be clearly visible and placed on a contrasting background

6. New Drivers

- a. A rookie is defined as someone who is brand new to racing
- b. Any rookie is to have the rookie "X" on the back of their kart or helmet
 - i. All rookies will start at the back of the field for their first two heat race days to gain experience

7. Engine Claim

- a. An engine can be claimed by an official at any time for any reason. A new
- b. engine will be provided by Whiteland Raceway Park to the driver. If a driver refuses to turn the engine into the officials, that driver will be disqualified for the remainder of the days events

8. Gearing

- a. All Classes outside of kid kart and kart novice are open gearing. There are no restrictions on the number of teeth for the drive gear or sprocket.
 - i. Kid Karts Novice and Kid Karts still have to follow the specified gearing in the class structure page.

II. General and Facility Rules

1. Membership

- a. Membership is \$75, and a family membership is available for \$150 for three or more drivers.
- b. Membership is required for points.
 - i. Championship points can be rolled back if a membership is purchased before the start of the third race.
- c. Membership will be required to receive mid-season prizes
- d. Membership will be required in order to practice day of club night races.

2. Hot Pit Area

- a. A pit pass is required for all attendees. Pit passes can be purchased anytime in the registration building.
- b. Scooters, bikes, skateboards, hoverboards, etc. are not allowed to be in the area of the tech and grid area.

3. Tower Policy

- a. Any unauthorized persons must be invited into the timing and scoring section of the tower
- b. Any unauthorized persons who enter the timing and scoring section of the tower are subject to penalty for the entry that person represents. Any persons that enters the tower and is abusive to the officials are subject to immediate expulsion from the facility and event
- c. If you have any questions about the race day, please ask the grid marshal or race director (typically found in the same spot)

4. Weather Procedure

- a. Whiteland Raceway Park will race in the rain
- b. If the weather becomes too severe to race and heat races have concluded, officials will decide how points will be awarded and that decision will be announced at a later time
- c. If the weather becomes too severe to race and heat races have **NOT** concluded, the race will be postponed

5. Points

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1	50	11	19	21	9
2	40	12	18	22	8
3	35	13	17	23	7
4	32	14	16	24	6
5	30	15	15	25	5
6	28	16	14	26	5
7	26	17	13	27	5
8	24	18	12	28	5
9	22	19	11	29	5
10	20	20	10	30	5

Heat Race Win:	1 Bonus Point
Fastest Feature Race Lap:	1 Bonus Point

- a.
- b. Each driver will receive 2 race drops, and the driver’s 11 best finishes will count toward their final championship points
 - i. Disqualifications **cannot** be dropped, and disqualifications will count as a zero.
 - ii. No-shows / non-entries **can** be dropped
- c. A driver must pass the start/finish line at least once in the feature to receive any feature-finishing points
- d. Kid Kart Novice, Kid Kart and 2 & 4 Cycle Novice will be **NON-**championship classes
- e. Driver **must** be a member to receive championship points.

6. Protests

- a. A protest fee of \$100 is required to file a protest
 - i. The fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld
- b. The protest must be written on a Whiteland Raceway Park protest form.
 - i. This form will be available in the registration building
- c. The protest should include specific details of what took place along with the corner it took place
- d. A protest must be filed within 30 minutes of the completion of on track activities.
 - i. Please deliver the completed protest form and payment to race control.
 - ii. Officials will look at the protest and come up with a decision within 5 – 7 business days after the completed event.
- e. The decision made by the officials will be final

7. Disciplinary Action

- a. Disciplinary action is at the discretion of Whiteland Raceway Park officials
- b. Family Members are representatives of their driver and are to maintain the same standards given to the driver. Penalties can be assessed to the driver if family members are seen to be behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner

8. Age Eligibility / Class Move Up Requirements

- a. A driver's competition age is determined by the driver's age at the start of the calendar year.
- b. If a driver meets the age requirement to move up by the end of the calendar year, they are eligible to do that anytime during the season
- c. Once a driver moves up a class, they cannot move back down to that class without the race directors approval.
 - i. The race director can also request that a driver moves back down if that driver appears to not be ready to move up
- d. Drivers must compete at the same age class across all competition classes.
 - i. Ex. If a driver is running KA100 and 206, they must run junior or senior in **both**

III. Race Day Rules and Procedures

1. Starting Procedures

- a. Acceleration cones will be used
 - i. Pole sitters can choose to accelerate anytime from the

- acceleration cone to the green flag.
- b. Starts will not always be at the start-finish line
 - i. The location of the starts will be announced at the driver's meeting
 - ii. The head flagman will stand at the start line with the green flag for the first lap of practice
- c. The number of warm up laps will be announced at the driver's meeting
- d. Kid Kart Novice, Kid Kart, and 2 & 4 Cycle novice will have a pace kart bringing them to the green flag

2. Pre Tech

- a. A pre tech sheet will be available in the registration building. The pre tech sheet is to be filled out and returned to the registration building to receive a tech sticker. The tech sticker is to be placed under the number on the front drivers fairing
- b. The helmet is to be inspected by a WRP official to receive a helmet tech sticker
- c. If the kart or helmet sticker is missing, the competitor will not be allowed on track. Head to the registration building to get a tech sheet or to have your helmet checked

3. Post Tech

- a. Top three from each race will be sent to post tech
 - i. If a driver refuses to go to post tech it will result in an automatic disqualification
- b. The kart is to go directly from the scales to the tech tent and can not leave the tech tent until cleared by the tech official
- c. Only the driver and one mechanic per kart are allowed in post tech

4. Driver's Meeting

- a. It is mandatory for all drivers to attend the driver's meeting
 - i. A parent must attend for all sportsman and younger classes
- b. Club updates will be announced at the drivers meeting
- c. Starting Procedures along with track layout specific procedures will be announced at the drivers meeting

5. Grid Rules

- a. Grid line-ups will be posted on the side of the tower. The grid attendant will also have a line-up sheet to assist with gridding in the correct position.
- b. A 90 second time limit will be used for a kart that is not starting on the grid
 - i. If the kart starts before the 90 second time limit is reached, the driver may retain their original starting position
 - ii. Once the 90 second time limit has been reached, the grid is

closed and no karts will be able to join the race

- c. If a driver withdraws from the race **before** the field is released from the grid, the grid attendant will adjust the grid
- d. If a driver is unable to start the race **after** the grid is released, the row that the driver was in will move up, there will be no crossover

6. Flags

- a. **Green** - Indicates the start of competition, track is clear for racing
- b. **Yellow** - Caution ahead, slow down and be ready to change your line. No passing is allowed from the yellow flag to the incident
- c. **Red** - A serious incident has happened. Continue around **slowly** to the finish line and stop. **Do not** cross the finish line. Scoring will revert back to the last completed lap
- d. **Blue with Orange or Yellow stripe** - Faster karts approaching, hold your line, **be predictable**, and let them pass
- e. **Black**
 - i. Rolled - Warning for on track activities that are close to penalty or disqualification, this is your one warning
 - ii. Full - The driver has been disqualified from the session and must immediately exit the track at the designated track exit. An official will inform the driver why they are being disqualified.
- f. **Black with Orange Circle (Meatball)** - There is a mechanical / safety issue with a kart requiring that kart to exit the track at the designated track exit
- g. **White** - One more lap remaining in the session
- h. **Checkered** - The session is over, slow down and exit the track at the designated track exit
- i. **Crossed Flags** - Halfway through the race
- j. **Parallel Flags** - Two laps remaining

Code of Conduct

First and foremost, we are doing our very best to put in the time, resources and personnel to make Whiteland Raceway Park a premier destination in North American Karting.

We are committed to the preservation of this historic facility. We are committed to the future, and most importantly, we are committed to providing our racers, their teams and families a safe, professional, clean environment and a first-class facility at which to compete and enjoy themselves.

Respect goes both ways, and we will not accept anything less. Period.

The following rules are highlighted as a reminder to all Whiteland Raceway Park participants and attendees.

Whiteland Raceway Park reserves the right to add and or modify additional rules and regulations on top of the mentioned below. Should an individual or team violate these rules AT ANY TIME, Whiteland Raceway Park reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action up to but not limited to disqualifying a single event and permanent expulsion from the facility.

Conduct:

All individuals shall conduct themselves in an orderly manner. Physical violence or abuse of any individual, official, participant or spectator will subject the offender to immediate disqualification, ejection from the event and possible suspension of membership status and arrest.

Verbal Abuse:

Verbal abuse, threats or intimidation directed at any individual, official, participant or spectator by anyone at the event will subject the offender to immediate disqualification, ejection from the event site and possible suspension of membership status.

Conduct Beyond and Outside of Events:

Inappropriate offsite actions such as physical violence, verbal abuse, threats, intimidation or direct disparaging remarks or comments directed at anyone regarding a Whiteland Raceway Park event or the facility or sanctioning body itself are also prohibited and will subject the offender to immediate disciplinary action. Such actions

may be through but not limited to: face to face contact, telephone, mail, email, internet forums and all forms of social media. Such action may subject the offender to disqualification, suspension of membership privileges or complete termination of membership.

Pit Crews:

Drivers are responsible for the control and actions of their pit crew and family members. Unacceptable actions of crew members and family members may subject the driver to penalty or disqualification from the event and possible suspension of membership privileges.

Restricted Areas:

All individuals entering the restricted areas of WRP must sign and execute all insurance related documents prescribed for that event. Failure to do so will subject the individual to disqualification, immediate removal from the restricted area and or suspension of membership privileges.

Unsportsmanlike Driving:

Unsportsmanlike driving is defined as bumping, crowding, chopping, blocking or pushing other karts. Such actions may occur from the time a drivers kart enters the track through the time the drivers kart exits the kart at the scale area after the checkered flag. If in the judgment of race officials, a competitor demonstrates unsportsmanlike driving, he or she may be disqualified and is subject to further penalties including but not limited to suspension.

Unsafe Driving:

Unsafe driving includes the demonstration of poor driving skills or judgment and violation of on-track procedures or regulations. If in the judgment of the race officials, a competitor demonstrates unsafe driving at any time, he or she may be disqualified.

Stopping on Course:

If a driver is forced to stop on the racing surface during practice or a race the competitor must raise both hands to signal approaching drivers that he or she is immobile. Drivers must do all they can to stay out of the racing line during this time. The driver is also responsible for moving the kart to a safe area as quickly as possible. WRP track marshals and race officials will make every effort to help with Junior classes and below whenever possible.

Pit Crew:

Pit crew and family members are not permitted on track anytime the track is hot / active, ie: during practice, qualifying, racing or during a red flag period except with specific permission from officials in charge. WRP will allow (1) team representative per entry to stand track side in a safe, designated location, to be determined by the Race Director, during the Kid Kart Novice and Kid Kart classes.

90 Second Rule:

All drivers have (90) seconds to start from the grid and enter onto the track at the beginning of the race. The competitor must be on the grid, in starting position, in the kart and ready to race for the (90) second rule to be in effect for that competitor. Once the Grid Steward radios to the Flagman and Race Director that the grid is clear and all karts have entered onto the track the (90) second rule no longer applies. If a kart stalls after that and enters the hot pit to restart he or she may do so, however the race can start at any time.

Mandatory Drivers Meeting:

All drivers must attend the mandatory drivers meeting. At that time the Race Director may announce special conditions or supplementary rules for that event. Failure to attend will result in disciplinary action.

Race Director:

The Race Director is WRP's senior official with responsibility for all aspects of the event. He or she is in charge of the karts while on track. The Race Director is responsible for enforcement of all rules and regulations for the event. The Race Director may direct the head flagman or individual corner marshals to warn competitors of unsportsmanlike or unsafe driving via pointing furred black flag. He or she may direct the removal of a driver from the track for driving infractions or defective equipment by presenting a waiving black flag. The Race Director has the authority to assess more severe penalties for unsportsmanlike driving or conduct.

Probation:

The track president or his or her authorized representatives may immediately place any racer and or member on probation for just cause.

Suspension:

The track president or his or her authorized representatives may immediately suspend any racer and or member who violates any rule that lists suspension as an appropriate penalty, any racer and or member whose actions the president deems to be sufficiently detrimental to the track or its members or any racer and or member who is on probation and violates the terms of the probation.

