

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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 historical 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.

As most of you know, Whiteland Raceway Park is a World Karting Association track and when needed - we will revert back to the WKA Tech Manual for documentation, clarification and interpretation.

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 the disqualification from a single event to 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.*