



**2022 Northern Rental Karting
League
Draft Sporting Regulations**

1. Entry Process

- 1.1. All drivers must register prior to the event with the correct entry fee for the round in question. Entry fees are listed in these regulations.
- 1.2. Entries will initially open to members only, this may be at a discounted rate. General admission entries will open 4 weeks before the event and will close 1 week before the scheduled date. After this date, any entries accepted may be subject to a late entry fee.
- 1.3. Once entries close, all entry fees are non-refundable.

2. Entry Criteria

- 2.1. All drivers must be aged 16 or over at the time of the event they are entered for.
- 2.2. All drivers must have completed the mandatory entry form & driver profile prior to their first race.

3. Classes

- 3.1. The NRKL will run 3 main classes, those being:

Lightweights (Class 1): Minimum weight 65kg

Middleweight (Class 2): Minimum weight 80kg

Heavyweight (Class 3): Minimum weight 95kg

4. Schedule

The full NRKL Calendar is TBC

The organisers reserve the right to amend the formats and/or the dates of the above events. In the case that an event has to be moved/changed, all competitors will be notified via email.

5. Scoring

- 5.1. Points will be awarded at 2 stages during each event. First at the end of the heats, and then at the end of the final. Points will be awarded as follows:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
50	46	42	38	36	34	32	30	28	26

11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th
24	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	8	6

21st	22nd	23rd	Others
4	2	1	1

- 5.2. At the end of the heats, half points will be awarded down to 22nd place, with no points for 23rd back.

- 5.3. A competitor's best 7 results in the heats & finals will count to the final championship standings.
- 5.4. For avoidance of doubt, a competitor can drop their worst heat and final score. These scores do not have to be from the same round. E.g you can drop the heat score from round 2 and the final score from round 8.
- 5.5. Points are awarded to the overall result & in class using the same points system.

6. Awards

- 6.1. All awards are provided by the organiser unless stated otherwise.

6.2. Per Round

- 6.2.1. Trophies to 1st, 2nd & 3rd overall
- 6.2.2. Trophies to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each weight class (subject to min 5 entries)

6.3. Championship

- 6.3.1. Trophies to class winner, 2nd and 3rd in each class.
- 6.3.2. Overall Champion: The driver with the highest points score out overall.

6.4. Presentations

- 6.4.1. Trophies for each round are presented at the end of racing for that event.
- 6.4.2. Championship awards will be presented at the final race of the season.

7. Equipment

7.1. General

- 7.1.1. As a minimum, drivers must wear overalls, close toe shoes, gloves and a helmet at all times while on circuit.
- 7.1.2. All racewear required for the championship is provided at each round by the host circuit at no extra cost. At some circuits, the use of a balaclava is mandatory when using a circuit's helmets, these can be bought from the host circuits, or drivers can provide their own.
- 7.1.3. Drivers are welcome to use their own racewear, however it should conform to the following standards:
- 7.1.4. Suits: Should be one piece and in good condition. CIK Level 2 suits are recommended.
- 7.1.5. Helmet: Must be full face, with a visor. Helmets should carry an ACU gold stamp (or equivalent) or comply with a Snell or FIA standard. Drivers are reminded that some venues do not allow tinted visors to be used.
- 7.1.6. Additional safety equipment such as rib protectors or neck braces are recommended. These items may not be modified in any way.

7.2. Onboard Cameras

- 7.2.1. Some circuits do not allow the use of driver mounted cameras. Where they are allowed, they should be fixed securely at all times. Some circuits also allow the use of kart mounted cameras. The circuit specific rules will be communicated to competitors prior to the event.

8. Driving Standards & Conduct

8.1. General

- 8.1.1. The NRKL is open to all drivers with no requirement for a race licence. It is intended to be a low cost route into karting.
- 8.1.2. It is expected that all drivers are able to drive to a high standard during the event. Drivers who have frequent spins/crashes may be excluded from further sessions at the organisers sole discretion.
- 8.1.3. Drivers should be familiar with most rental kart circuit rules, and will obey them at all times during an event.
- 8.1.4. Abusive language or behaviour to other competitors, organisers or the host circuit's staff will not be tolerated and will lead to the application of penalties to any drivers concerned.

8.2. The Licence

- 8.2.1. Upon registration for a drivers first event, they will be issued with a digital licence. This will be used to track driving standards over the course of a season.
- 8.2.2. Should a driver be penalised by the host circuit, a driver's licence will be endorsed with points.
- 8.2.3. Should a driver accumulate 12 points in a 12 month period, the driver will serve a 1 race ban. In the case that a driver is banned from a race they have already entered, their entry fee will be returned to them.

9. Event Specifics

9.1. Briefing

- 9.1.1. Each event will start with a drivers briefing, all drivers must attend this briefing. Failure to do so will result in a driver not being able to race. Should a driver be unable to race due to missing a briefing, no refund will be offered.

9.2. Race formats

- 9.2.1. NRKL will use a heats format where possible.
- 9.2.2. Each driver will contest in 1 practice session and 3 heats.
- 9.2.3. Grids for each heat will be decided by a 'total position' system. In this system, everyone's starting positions will average out to the same number. These grids will be produced and published before each race meeting after the closing date for entries.

9.2.4. In the event that the entry numbers exceed the track's maximum capacity, grids where possible, grids will be split by class. Where this isn't possible, all groups will be combined for the finals.

9.2.5. After the heats, each driver will compete in at least 1 final. Should the maximum number of drivers exceed the track capacity, A/B/C finals will be run.

10. Weight

10.1. It is the competitor's responsibility to make sure that they are above the minimum weight for their class at all times.

10.2. A driver's weight includes:

- Racewear (Suit, gloves, helmet etc)
- Personal weights inc wrist/ankle weights or a weighted vest
- Seat insert: Either circuit provided or personal

10.3. All personal weights must be worn under a drivers race suit to ensure they can't come off while racing. They must be declared safe by the host circuit prior to going on track. It is the sole discretion of the host circuit if a driver's weights are safe to be used.

10.4. Personal seat inserts must be presented in good condition. Where weights have been added to the back, a protective covering (carpet/foam etc) must be added to the back to avoid damaging the kart seats. A good guide to making a weighted seat can be found [here](#).
(Credit: BRKC)

10.5. Weigh in procedures & penalties can be found in section 11.

11. Championship Penalties

11.1. Weight

11.1.1. All drivers will weigh in before going on circuit, drivers must run above their classes' minimum weight at all times. If a driver fails to meet the minimum weight for their class before the event starts, they may be offered the chance to race in a different class.

11.1.2. Random weight checks will take place during the event. Any driver who fails to meet the minimum weight after a session will be excluded from the results of that session.

11.1.3. The top 3 in each weight class will be weighed at the end of the final, failure to meet the minimum weight will result in exclusion from the results and a 0 score.

11.1.4. Should a driver's weight change during the season, they are able to change weight class. Doing so will carry a 50 point deduction from their total.

11.2. Driving Standards

11.2.1. While the host circuit is in charge of race penalties, their rules must be followed at all times.

11.2.2. The organisers will be issued with a list of penalties handed out during the event and will use this to apply penalty points to a driver's licence.

11.2.3. A driver can receive penalty points on their licence for their conduct off track as well. All penalty points issued will be published after the event.

11.2.4. Drivers may appeal the issuing of penalty points. To do so, a driver must submit video evidence to back up their protest.