

RAK TRACK – SODI WORLD SERIES - ENDURANCE

Sporting Regulations 2019

REGULATIONS

The final text of these Sporting Regulations shall be the English Version, which will be used should any dispute arise as to their interpretation. Headings in this document are for ease of reference only and do not form part of the regulations.

1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

All race events will be organized and administrated by RAK Track in accordance with the Sodi World Series regulations, information on which can be found at www.sodiwseries.com/en/
These Regulations apply to all SWS Endurance races organized by RAK Track.

2. INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE SERIES (SPORTING)

2.1. ORGANISER

The Organizer's official contact details:

Ras Al Khaimah Kart Track

P.O . Box 2120

Ras Al Khaimah, U.A.E

Phone: +971 7 2222 128

Email: info@raktrack.ae

Web: www.raktrack.ae

2.2. DATES

The RAK Track will organize Individual SWS Endurance race events throughout the year.
Dates of the race events will be posted on the official website (see Section 2.1).

2.3. ENTRIES

To be eligible to enter a race event under these Regulations, each competitor/team must hold a valid SWS account number (free of charge). This can be obtained by registering at www.sodiwseries.com/en/become-sws-driver.html

2.4. ENTRY PROCESS

Competitors have to complete the following process to register as an entrant for a race event:

- Add the RAK Track event to their profile at www.sodiwseries.com/en/
(N.B. Each race within an event is listed separately by Sodi; if there are 2 races then they will show as two separate events)
- Complete the RAK Track entry form and pay the relevant fee at the reception.
- All entries are to be submitted to and received by the Organizer **7 days** before the race event date.

2.5. RECEIPT

Any entry not accompanied by the relevant fee (see article 2.4) shall be null and void. The organizers reserve the right to refuse entries submitted after the 7-day deadline, though late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organizer.

Entries will be 100% secured only once entrants have received a confirmation email.

2.6. RESTRICTION

The Organizer reserves the right to postpone or cancel a race event should they not receive a minimum of 6 entries (considered as a Team made of minimum required drivers). In the event that there are more than 17 teams, the Organizer will endeavour to accommodate as many participants as possible based on kart availability.

Should the Organizer be required to restrict the number of entries then approved entries will be based on the date of entry submission (i.e. First come, first served basis).

The Organizer also reserves the right to refuse any entry that would be against the spirit of the RAK Track Sodi World Series Endurance Races.

2.7. FEES

To be specified in the Supplementary Regulations.

2.8. MINIMUM AGE & MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

All participants must be 15 years or older on the day of the race. On the grounds of safety, at all times when they are driving the kart, drivers must be equipped with:

- Cotton overalls or CIK approved race suits.
- A pair of gloves.
- A full face helmet, as a minimum to a standard suitable for use on public roads.
- A pair of sport shoes that provide ankle cover.
- A neck support collar is advisable but not mandatory.
- A rib protector is advisable but not mandatory.

3. EVENT FORMAT

- Drivers sign-on together with driver's weight-in and kart draw
- Drivers Briefing
- Free Practice
- Qualifying
- Race
- Podium Ceremony

4. RACE PROCEDURES

4.1. RACE START

The Race start will be specified in the supplementary regulation issued for each of the race events and the starting positions will be based on the qualifying on the official qualifying results.

Race start will be indicated by the start line lights going out or by waiving of the UAE national flag.

4.2. JUMP START

A jump-start will be deemed to have occurred if a driver starts to move his/her kart before the "race start ". The penalty will be applied to the race result as per article 10 of these regulations.

4.3. YELLOW FLAGS

In the event of an incident during the race (spun kart, accident between 2 or more karts, circuit safety features, require repair etc.) yellow flags will be shown at the marshal post prior to the incident. All drivers are to slow down, raise one arm to acknowledge the yellow flag and there is to be no overtaking.

Once driver passes the incident location he/she can resume racing if no other yellow flag is being shown ahead of the incident area. Any driver contravening this regulation will be awarded a time penalty as per article 10 of these regulations.

4.4. FULL COURSE YELLOW

In case the Race Direction requires to neutralize the race in order to cope with any incident on the track the full course yellow flags will be shown at all marshal post, the same flag will be shown at the start/finish marshal post together with the leading kart. At this moment each driver must reduce speed, stop racing and follow each other in a single line.

It's the leader responsibility to keep a very slow speed allowing safe intervention of any staff on track and gathering the all field of teams in a single line as fast as possible.

During full course yellow procedure, pit exit will be opened at all times for teams that were already in the Pit Lane when full course yellow has been issued. However, teams re-joining the track will have to follow Pit Exit Marshal orders to make sure they re-join the track in a safe way. Supplementary regulation for each round will also apply on this matter.

It will not be allowed to come in the Pit during full course yellow procedure; however, pit entrance will not be physically closed. If a team decides to come in the Pits during full course yellow, it will not be allowed to re-join the track before the race has resumed.

Race will resume after full course yellow when green flag will be shown on the start and finish line.

Overtaking will not be allowed before crossing the start and finish line.

4.5. RACE STOPPAGE

Should a race be stopped by the display of red flags, ALL drivers must IMMEDIATELY slow down and return to the assembly area (location to be detailed in the Supplementary Rules of the event) and form a single line of karts, as indicated by the marshal.

Drivers should remain in their kart until further indication from the marshal. Once the marshals indicate that drivers can exit their kart they shall do the same but leave the weights in the kart.

Parc Ferme conditions apply. Race direction will inform all teams in due time when the race will be resume giving them enough time to get ready to resume the race under the safety kart.

4.6. RACE FINISH

The leading kart will take the chequered flag, followed by all other karts in the race. After receiving the chequered flag all karts must slow down and proceed directly to the pit lane.

5. RACE CRAFT & SPORTING CONDUCT

5.1. RACE CRAFT

The Sodi World Series is a leisure karting race series designed to encourage new and experienced kart drivers to participate in a fun series with a global audience. It is expected that there will be varying levels of experience at each and every race event. Therefore, more experienced drivers are required to set an example to less experienced drivers i.e. A quicker driver will race around a slower driver, not force them out of the way through contact.

6. SPORTING CONDUCT

Karting is a non-contact motor sport. However, accidental contact does occur and will be accepted by the Organizer. Deliberate contact or sporting conduct infringements will not be tolerated.

Please refer to article 10 for the actions and respective penalties that will be applied during this events.

6.1. CODE OF CONDUCT

Karting is designed to be a fun sport and a community building activity. Any competitor, their parent or guardian, or any individual associated with a competitor, who acts/behaves in a manner contrary to the following will result in penalization for that driver:

- All participants must play by the rules and respect all race officials and their decisions.
- All participants must respect the rights, dignity and value of their fellow participants regardless of gender, ability, physical appearance, cultural background or religion.
- All participants must take responsibility for their actions at all times.
- It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that their family, friends and associated Parties are aware that their actions can result in penalization for the driver.
- Any disputes between participants should be resolved in a respectful and courteous manner. In the event that this is perceived not possible, the matter should be brought before the Clerk of the Course or the Organizer to mediate a resolution.

- Drugs and alcohol are strictly prohibited at all events. Consumption of such substances before or during a race event will result in the competitor being excluded and face further disciplinary action.

- Abusive comments in public or on any social media platform (Facebook, Twitter etc.) forum are completely forbidden. Competitors and their associates are strongly advised to guard against participating in contentious, divisive or damaging conversations, either verbally or via these means.

7. CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

7.1. AGE LIMITS:

Participants have to be minimum 15 years old on the day of the race.

7.2. CLASSES AND NUMBER OF DRIVERS

The following rankings and related minimum number of driver per team will apply:

General Ranking: See below table for number of drivers

For a team to be considered as the same team and gather points for each round of the full championship, the team must have a minimum drivers/race duration as per below table:

Race Duration	General # Drivers
2 Hours	2 to 3
6 Hours	3 to 4
12 Hours	3 to 8
24 Hours	4 to 10

A driver may only drive for one team during the event even if a team or sponsor enters multiple teams. Competitors found to be driving in more than one kart will receive action from the officials.

7.3. WEIGHT LIMIT

Each driver must have a minimum of 80kg with full race gear.

Participants must meet the above minimum weight limit criteria, for each of their respective categories. Driver must weigh in wearing their full racing equipment, including suit, boots, rib protector, neck brace and helmet. The driver's weights will be checked prior to the Drivers Briefing and can be checked at any time thereafter during the race event.

Any driver found to be underweight will be penalized as per article 10 of this set of regulations.

Weighted vest or lead weights of any kind cannot be worn at weigh in to increase the declared weight at weigh in nor can they be used in the race unless under exceptional circumstances agreed with the Organizer prior to the race.

7.4. KART BALLAST WEIGHTS

If a driver is below the required minimum weight, they will be provided with ballast weight for the kart.

The weight denominations are:

Blue = 10 Kgs **Red = 5 Kgs** **Yellow = 2.5 Kgs**

The driver is responsible for ensuring that they place the correct amount of ballast in each and every kart they use during the event. The driver is also responsible for ensuring that they remove the ballast weights at the end of each stint during the event (i.e. practice, qualifying, races etc.). Drivers are not permitted to take any ballast weights away from the pit lane area. Any driver not complying with this regulation will be penalized as per article 10 of this set of regulations.

Note: Weighted seat inserts are prohibited but none weighted seat inserts are allowed, however, they will not be taken into consideration to contributed to the 'driver weight'.

7.5. WEIGHING SCALES

The official weighing scales will be situated at the pit lane entrance and are classed as a Judge of Fact.

Officials can check any driver's weight at any moment during the course of the race event.

8. CLASSIFICATION

Official results will be produced at the end of each round.

Championship Points will be allocated per team and per round according to SWS Official Regulations - ANNEXE 1 – Point 3 – Ranking system & race points scoring.

9. KARTS

9.1. KART SPECIFICATION & TECHNICAL RULES

The Organizer will provide the following kart specifications for each race event:

IAME Club 100 – Sodi Kart RX250 – IAME KA100 100cc - 22 HP

No modification or mechanical intervention will be allowed to the karts. Any participant, or associated individuals, found to have breached this regulation will result in the penalization of the driver as per the article 10 of this set of regulations.

9.2. KART ROTATION

For the all duration of the event (except during Qualifying), any team entering the pit lane (for a driver change or not) will have to change kart. This change is mandatory and will be done on the basis of the first kart arriving taking the first kart available in the queue of karts available and refuelled in the Pit Lane.

10. PENALTIES

The following penalties will be applied by the Clerk of the Course or the Organizers in the event of a specified infringement of the present regulations:

#	Infringement	Penalty
1	Late for Drivers Briefing	Warning or Grid Place Penalty
2	Jump Start	3 or 5 or 10 second penalty
3	Ignoring a YELLOW flag	10 second penalty
4	Breach of a yellow zone	5 second penalty
5	White Line Infringements	5 second penalty
6	Contact – no advantage gained	Warning flag or Up to 10 seconds penalty
7	Contact – advantage gained	From 10 to 30 second penalty or Up to 10 places penalty
8	Dangerous Driving	30 second penalty or Exclusion
9	Ignoring a RED flag	Exclusion from event
10	Breach of Code of Conduct	Exclusion from event
11	Driver underweight	Time or lap(s) penalty at the discretion of the Race Direction
12	Tampering or modification of a kart	Exclusion from event
13	Pit lane speeding/dangerous driving in pit lane	5 second penalty
14	Under Pit lane time	Double of the time below Pit lane time. Starts with 5 seconds penalty minimum

In case a team is found to have gained an unfair advantage with the above penalties the Race Director has the right to implement additional penalties.

11. ADVERTISING ON KARTS, OVERALLS AND HELMETS

Competitors will not be allowed to place their own sponsors branding on the Kart without the express permission of the organizer, and should not be advertising other venues on their visors or helmets. If visors strips are provided, it is mandatory to put it on the racing helmets.

12. GENERAL SAFETY

Any form of motor sport can be dangerous, despite the organizers taking all reasonable precautions. All participants will be required to sign official disclaimers accepting the inherent risks prior to their taking part in an event. By doing so they are signing an undertaking that they are not suffering from any medical condition, either permanent or temporary, which could affect prejudicially their normal control of the vehicle with regard to the speeds likely to be attained during events.

The pit lane will be a strictly non-smoking area. Children under the age of 8 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times. Participants with long hair must ensure that it is fully enclosed by the crash helmet or secured in the race suit. Long hair trailing from bottom of the helmet will not be acceptable on the grounds of safety.

