



REGULATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE 2018 NORTHERN REGIONS REGIONAL KARTING CHAMPIONSHIP

NORTHERN REGIONS REGION MOTORSPORT CIRCULAR NR10/2018 (161398/144)

1. CONTROLLERS

The Controllers of the Championship are Motorsport South Africa (hereinafter referred to as MSA), which has delegated control to the MSA Northern Regions Motorsport Committee.

2. VALIDITY OF REGULATIONS

For the calendar year of 2018

3. AIM OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

The aim of the championship is to declare a Northern Regions Regional Champion in each of the nominated classes.

4. REGULATIONS

All qualifying races shall be held under the General Competition Rules and Standing Supplementary Regulations of MSA, these Standing Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations issued by the Promoters.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1** The Championship shall be open to all competitor's resident in the Northern Regions and who hold valid competition licences from MSA.
- 5.2** Any competitor who is not a resident in the Northern Regions and wishes to score in the championship must apply to the controllers in writing.

6. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

All nominated 2018 calendar events

7. CLASSES

- 7.1** Micro Max
- 7.2** Maxterino
- 7.3** Mini Max
- 7.4** Junior Max
- 7.5** Senior Max
- 7.6** DD2
- 7.7** DD2 Masters

IN THE INTEREST OF SPECTATORSHIP AND COMPETITOR CHALLENGE, CLASSES MAY BE COMBINED AS THE ORGANISERS DEEM FIT SUBJECT TO SAFETY AND APPROVED MY THE STEWARDS OF THE MEETING

8. POINT SCORING

- 8.1** Points per race will be as follows: 1st – 35 points, 2nd - 32, 3rd - 30 4th - 29 and so on.
- 8.2** Non finishers will be awarded five points less than the last finisher. It is clarified that to be eligible for such points, a competitor must have started the race. Any driver who has received the starting

signal or has triggered the timing device at the start of the race is considered as having started. See GCR 261.

- 8.3 All technical infringements will result in exclusion from the heat, zero points will apply and the competitor will start at the back of the grid for the following heat. Refer GCR 176.
- 8.4 In the event of a tie having to be resolved, the provisions of 2018 Karting Regulations apply – Art 19 iii) f) f)

9. MINIMUM STARTERS

- 9.1 Where a race includes drivers who are ineligible for the Championship, eligible drivers will score points as though the ineligible drivers had not participated at all. (Refer GCR 228)
- 9.2 In order for all classes to qualify for the declaration of a championship, there must be a minimum of 6 eligible starters. This minimum requirement must be obtained for at least 4 race meetings in the 2018 season.
- 9.3 The above mentioned minimum totals are applicable to all classes listed in point 7 (seven) above.

10. CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

- 10.1 The championship will consist of six rounds with 3 heats on the day.

11. NUMBER OF EVENTS TO COUNT

- 11.1 It is incumbent on the Promoters to ensure that the results and entry list depict the domicile of competitors and/or to provide sufficient information for MSA to determine the eligibility of the drivers in respect of allocation of points.
- 11.2 All six rounds with three races on the day will count. A competitor will be allowed to double his/her best three races giving him/her a total of 21 races of which they can then drop their worst 3 races.
- 11.3 Events not participated in may be counted as drops.
- 11.4 All qualifying events will score towards the Championship.
- 11.5 A maximum of 18 races will count towards the Championship, i.e. a competitor may drop his worst 3 scores (including any 0 score from a race/heat not entered or participated in). You are not allowed to drop an exclusion.
- 11.6 For a Northern Regions Champion to be declared all 6 Race days must take place, please make sure you enter all six race meetings, so the organizing clubs are not forced to cancel due to lack of entries.

12. MINIMUM DISTANCE TO BE COVERED - PER RACE

As per MSA 2018 Karting Handbook

13. AGES AND WEIGHTS

- 13.1 Refer 2018 Karting Handbook

14. QUALIFYING

- 14.1 There shall be one timed practice session for all classes, to determine the grid positions for heat one. Time trials shall consist of ten-minute practice session where each lap is timed for every driver. The time of each driver's best lap, will count for the grid position. The second-best lap time will be used to resolve any possible ties. Competitor will not make use of the 2018 National Qualifying method but will run the same as 2017 Fastest Qualifying time will be used for Grid position of Race 1 and from there on position of finish for the remainder of the races.
- 14.2 Competitors are required to complete 3 practice laps prior to racing refer to 2018 Karting Regulations, Section D Article 17i-v), unless approval is obtained from the Clerk of the Course. Each kart will be allocated a starting position on the pre-race grid. The places for non-starters will be left empty, with the other competitors retaining their allocated positions.
- 14.3 Protests regarding starting positions must be carried out in accordance with Part IX of the MSA Handbook
- 14.4 Timing will be by means of MSA approved transponders.

15. TYRES

- 15.1 The number of dry weather slick tyres each competitor may use is restricted to a maximum of one set of four for each event starting at and including time trials.
- 15.2 Tyres will be as per 2018 Karting regulation for all Regional Classes
- 15.3 The number of wet weather tyres each competitor may use is restricted to a maximum of one set of four for each event starting at and including time trials.
- 15.4 Should a tyre become damaged during the event, **the clerk of the Course may approve a replacement.** The damaged tyre must be deposited with the scrutineers.
- 15.5 The use of wet weather tyres in time trials or any of the races will not be permitted unless declared a wet race or practice by the Clerk of the Course. Likewise, the Clerk of the Course can withdraw authorisation for wet weather tyres.
- 15.6 New or used tyres can be used and these tyres will be marked when exiting circuit after qualifying by the organisers with the competitor's number or any marking deemed fit for the purpose.
- 15.7 Wet weather tyres may be identified prior to being used. Checks on identified tyres may be made at any time throughout an event and any competitor found using any tyre, which has not been identified for the event will be excluded from the prior heats or time trials. Exchanging of tyres between competitors is forbidden, and the penalty will be the same as above.
- 15.8 It is prohibited to use any chemical treatment, or other means, to artificially enhance the performance of tyres used during official practice or racing.
- 15.9 The organisers reserve the right to replace one or more of any competitor's tyres, with a substitute tyre, should they believe such action to be warranted.
- 15.10 The tyres permitted will be the karting tyres as specified by the MSA 2016 Karting Handbook, Section J, Article 23.2 (b)
- 15.11 The only substance that may be used to inflate tyres is normal air (compressed or otherwise). Race organisers shall have the right to require competitors to deflate their tyres on request and re-inflate them under supervision using normal air. The use of any tyre inflation substance other than normal air and/or the failure to respond to a request to deflate/re-inflate tyres as above shall be deemed a contravention of the technical regulations, and shall be dealt with accordingly.
- 15.12 Competitors may not deflate their tyres until they have left parc-fermé. Any competitor found deflating their tyres prior to this may be excluded from that heat or qualifying.

16. NOSE CONES

All karts must be fitted with the CIK Nose Cone system and must come to parc-fermé with the nose cone not mounted. The nose cone must be mounted on the pre race grid.

17. SEPERATION OF TIES (OVERALL)

The separation of ties at the end of the day and the end of the championship will be determined by the person who finished higher in the last race of the championship.

18. NUMBERS

As per 2018 MSA Karting Regulations, race numbers must be obtained from MSA Head Office. All applications/requests are to be submitted via email to Allison at allison@motorsport.co.za. Race numbers will only be issued once the competitor has obtained his/her 2018 licence.

19. DECLARATION OF A CHAMPION

The Controllers at their sole discretion are responsible for declaring the winners of the Championship or for withholding such declaration. Points will be available from MSA Head Office or on the MSA website www.motorsport.co.za