

2019 - NKRA REGIONAL / NATIONAL CLUBMAN CHAMPIONSHIP



1. SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL

1.1 Title & Jurisdiction:

The National Kart Racing Association Championship is organized and administered by the National Kart Racing Association in accordance with the (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations.

To provide a driver's Championship organised on a regional basis for clubman drivers in the following classes:

Cadet Honda, Cadet IAME,
Minimax, Junior Blue,
Formula Blue, Rotax Max.

Some events may be coincident (same track, same date) with other regions permitting the calculation of unified results.

A Grande Final will be held for one class in each category, Cadet, Junior, Senior. For 2019, the classes are Honda Cadet, Junior Blue, Senior Blue..

MOTORSPORT UK Championship Permit No. CH2019/K022 (C)

MOTORSPORT UK Championship Grade: [C]

1.2 Officials:

1.2.1 Co-ordinator: Mrs. Julie Shone

1.2.2 Eligibility Scrutineers: Mr. D. Truman. Mr. R. Freeman

1.2.3 Championship Stewards: Mr. Alan Cleal, Mr. Howie Chappell,
Mrs. Karen Langham.

1.3 Competitor Eligibility:

1.3.1 Entrants must be fully paid up valid membership card holding members of an NKRA member club and be in possession of a valid MOTORSPORT UK Entrants Licences. Competitors under the age of 18 must be accompanied by the holder of a Kart PG Entrant's licence who must sign on as Entrant of that competitor.

1.3.2 Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must be fully paid up valid membership card holding members of an NKRA member club, be Registered for the Championship and be in possession of valid Competition Licence; Kart National B (Novice) as a minimum.

Or be a professional driver in possession of a valid Licence (featuring an E.U. flag) and medical, issued by the ASN of a member country of the European Union.

A competitor shall not take time off school to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their school. If participation in the Championship requires absence from school, Drivers in full time school education are required to have the approval of their head teacher and a letter stating such approval from his/her school in order to fulfil registration for the Championship.

- 1.3.2.1 The Grande Final is by invitation following qualification. Registration for the Championship does not automatically guarantee entry to the Grande Final.

The NKRA may decline to invite any driver who has been banned by their club or the NKRA Championship Stewards or received punishment under MOTORSPORT UK regulation C1.1.9

All classes will be subject to a minimum entry. This will normally be 4 karts except in special circumstances

All Classes will be subject to a maximum entry. This will normally be set at a Full "B" final grid dependent on the maximum grid size for the chosen track.

Competitors will be able to ascertain their overall standing prior to the Grande Finals as per 1.6.1

- 1.3.3. All necessary documentation must be presented for checking at all rounds when signing-on.

1.4 Registration:

- 1.4.1 Registration is by the registration form. Registration forms may be downloaded from the NKRA Information area at www.planetkarting.co.uk or obtained from the NKRA coordinator or regional representative at any round

Registration is achieved when a completed registration form and the fee has been received and accepted by the coordinator, or an appointed or authorised deputy.

All members of an MOTORSPORT UK registered Kart Club affiliated to the National Kart Racing Association are eligible to apply to register. The NKRA reserve the right to refuse registrations.

- 1.4.2 The registration fee for 2019 is £60.00

- 1.4.3 Registration forms may be presented at any time before the beginning of an event. Any rounds completed before registration will not be counted. The event is assumed to start with the first heat for the relevant class. All competitors must be registered with the Coordinator before the start of the last round in order to qualify for an invitation to the Final.

- 1.4.4 Supplementary regulations and entry forms will be available to all Championship members in sufficient time for entries to be made prior to the closing dates. Competitors are responsible for sending in correct and complete entries with the correct fee to arrive prior to the closing dates, which will be shown in the S.R.'s.

Entries will only be acknowledged by request and when a S.A.E. is enclosed with the entry for that purpose.

The entry fee will be according to the S.R.'s for each meeting.

The entry fee will only be refunded if withdrawn in accordance with the host club's SRs.

1.5 Championship Rounds:

- 1.5.1 The NKRA Championships are divided into two regions; North England and Wales, Southern England and Wales and provides a regional championship for all NKRA classes. There will be a Grande Final for 1 class in each of the Cadet, Junior and Senior categories. For this year the classes are Honda Cadet, Junior Blue and Formula Blue.

The Junior and Formula Blue classes have additional rounds, the Blue Challenge and the '0' plate event, to enable the award of prestigious numbers recognized at NKRA events nationally.

The Championship Structure is attached at Appendix 1

- 1.5.2 The provisional Championship calendar is attached at Appendix 1; an updated calendar is published on www.planetkarting.co.uk.
- 1.5.3 The NKRA coordinator is the point of contact for general NKRA queries. Each event is organised by a host club and subject to their SR's and organisation.

1.6 Scoring:

- 1.6.1 All events are scored. For the general ranking some events may be discounted (a 'dropped' round) but those discounted scores may be considered for tie breaking.

Drop Option:

The Regional Awards are calculated on the basis of one discounted score. (2019: 4 out of 5 scores) but see 1.6.2 (Tie breaking). In the event of one or more cancelled meetings in the regional awards, then all completed rounds will score without a drop option.

The Regional Challenge is calculated on the basis of one drop option round (2019 7 out of 8) In the event of one or more cancelled meetings in the regional award, then all completed rounds will score without a drop option.

In the Regional Challenge the '0' plate and last round carry a 100 point non-attendance penalty which cannot be dropped

In the event of non-NKRA registered drivers participating in the race, they will be discounted from the results for the purpose of scoring NKRA points. NKRA scores are derived by taking the positions and order of the NKRA registered drivers and not the actual race finish order.

For the purposes of NKRA scoring, the grid refers to the number of NKRA drivers for that class registered for the meeting

Race meeting non-attendees will score 100 points.

The Event Result is achieved by adding together position on the 'Final' start grid, as posted, plus the 'Final' position-at-the finish, as posted.

Points are scored as follows:

1st = 0 points; 2nd = 2 points; 3rd = 3 points, etc. down to last place.

Where non-finishers are placed in a finishing order by the host club, they will score points allocated by position; where non-finishers are not placed in finishing order by the host club they will score points of grid + 1.

Non-starters for the Final will score grid + 1.

Exclusion from a final scores 50 points

Exclusion from the meeting scores 100 points.

All results from the days racing will be posted as provisional for a period of 30 minutes excepting any outstanding judicial or technical matters. Any changes to the original provisional results will be published

Championship points tables will be posted on internet www.planetkarting.co.uk after each round and after the final round. They will become final 7 days after the posting date provided no queries are received as per C 6.5 anyone wishing to have the results posted to them, must supply 5 stamped and addressed envelopes at the time of Registration. Any queries regarding points must reach the co-ordinator

1.6.1.1 Scoring for the Grande Final

Supplementary Non-Attendance Penalty. A penalty of 3 points will be awarded for each of the Regional Award Events that a driver fails to attend. These do not affect the scores within the regional awards but are carried forward into the Grande Final. The maximum number of supplementary points is 12

These supplementary points are added to the Event scores (Grid+Finish) so that a driver starting on pole (0 grid points) and finishing 2nd (2 Finish points) with 3 supplementary points has a total of 5 Grande Final points.

1.6.1.2 Scoring for the national ranking

Since the NKRA Championship is a regional and national championship, awards made on the basis of regional events combined with the Grande Final are equalised.

Equalisation:

To equalize scores from the regions, when different numbers of drivers are competing in each region, the final scores are scaled by proportion as follows;

a) divide the National overall total of registered drivers in the class, by the Regional overall total of drivers in the class

b) multiply the result of a): by the driver's own position in the event

Eg: Region A has 35 drivers of a national total of 58

A Driver gains 5th place in an event

His equalised score for the event is $58/35 \times 5 = 8.29$

Region B has 23 Drivers. A Driver gains 5th place in an event

His equalised score for the event is $58/23 \times 5 = 12.61$

These scores are to be finalized and circulated at least 7 days prior to the Grande Finals to ensure competitors are aware of their overall position and requirements going into the Grande Final.

The equalised scores from the regions (Regional Events and Challenge events) are added to the day points for the Grande Final and ordered from lowest to highest. Awards are given to the drivers with the lowest points

1.6.2 Resolving Ties

In the Regionals including Blue Challenge

- 1) the lowest discounted score
- 2) the order of total points for round 1 ; lowest score wins
- 3) ascending order across the finishing line in round 1; best place wins.
- 4) ascending order on the grid for the final in round 1; best place wins. (ie 1st beats 2nd, etc)

In the '0' Plate

- 1) the highest finisher in the Final

In the Grande Final

- 1) ascending order across the finishing line in the Final; best place wins.
- 2) ascending order on the grid, in the Final; best place wins.

1.6.3 Championship Points Appeal: Blue Book C6.5. and C6.51 apply.

1.6.4. Should any driver be totally excluded from a meeting, for any reason, they cannot drop that round. It will count as one of their results. MOTORSPORT UK General Regulations (C 3.5.1) will apply

1.6.5 Cancellations

It should be noted that the regional award rounds constitute the majority of the regional challenge rounds. In the event of a tie see 1.6.2.

In the event that the Grande Final is cancelled then the positions for the awards will be calculated from the regional positions. In the event that the Final for Formula Blue or Junior Blue is unable to be run but the heats have been run, the Final Grid Positions will be used as finishing positions to calculate the Grande Final portion of the awards

1.7 Awards:

1.7.1 For the Regional Championships- one trophy per 4 entries in each class.
For the Grande Final – one trophy per 4 entries in each class.

The 'Zero' plate is awarded to the NKRA driver with the lowest combined Grid and Finish points at the "0" plate event

The Grande Final Host Trophy .The first past the post regardless of starting grid position wins the host club trophy for the event. The NKRA do not offer a trophy for this winner of the Grande Finale event.

Grande Champion Trophy:The NKRA Grande Champion is determined by adding the combined score of the supplementary penalty points from the regional award events plus the points from the Grande Final.

Junior Blue / Formula Blue – Numbers 0 – 10 will be awarded for use for one year at NKRA recognised events until the next 'O' plate / Grande Final event.

1.7.2 Sponsored prizes will be given to the winners of the prize, however where a sponsor has chosen to present a prize at a pre-arranged ceremony, the competitor may not be absent without notification or reason. Under such circumstances of absence, the prize may be withheld at the sponsor's discretion. Racing at another event may not be a valid reason.

1.7.3 The NKRA does not award bonus prizes.

1.7.4 Presentations:
Event Trophies

Garlands and Trophies are to be provided for presentation at the end of each race or at an end of the meeting presentation ceremony.

Championship Trophies

Trophy presentation to take place during the Grande Finals weekend for Honda Cadets, Junior & Formula Blue. Winners must be present to collect awards unless the championship organiser has been informed and accepted a valid reason for absence in which case Regional trophies will be given to competitors's host club who will ensure appropriate presentation.
Racing at another meeting may not be considered a valid reason

1.7.4.1 Title to awards – In the event of any provisional result or Championship tables being revised after any provisional presentation and such revisions affect the distribution of any awards, the competitor concerned must return such awards to the National Kart Racing Association in good condition within 7 days.

1.7.5. Entertainment Tax Liability.

In accordance with current government legislation, the [*] is legally obliged to withhold tax at the basic rate on all payments to non-UK resident sportsmen/women and account to HMRC using form FEU1, the quarterly return of payments made to non-resident entertainers and sportsmen/women.

That is, those persons who do not have a normal permanent residence in the UK. The UK does not include the Isle of Man, Channel Islands or Eire. This means that, as the organiser, the [*] is required to deduct tax at the current rate applicable from any such payments they may make to non-UK residents.

Under certain circumstances, it may be possible for competitors to enter into an agreement with the Inland Revenue to limit the tax withheld. Any application for such an arrangement must be made in writing and not later than 30 days before the payment is due.

For further information contact:- HMRC Personal Tax International, Foreign Entertainers Unit, St John's House, Merton Road, Liverpool L75 1BB. Tel: 0151 472 6488 F 0151 472 6483.

1.7.6. Title to all Trophies:

In the event of any Provisional Results or Championship Tables being revised after any provisional presentations and such revisions affect the distribution of any awards the Competitors concerned must return such awards to the [*] in good condition within 7 days.

Annual awards must be returned to the NKRA event co-ordinator at least one month before the Grande Final each year.

2. SPORTING REGULATIONS - JUDICIAL PROCEDURES

2.1 Rounds: In accordance with Section C of the current MOTORSPORT UK Yearbook, CIK-FIA Judicial Trial and In accordance with Section C of the current MOTORSPORT UK Yearbook, and the 2019 table of mandatory Penalty Regulations appended to these regulations.

2.2 Championship: In accordance with Section C of the current MOTORSPORT UK Yearbook CIK-FIA Judicial Trial and In accordance with Section C of the current MOTORSPORT UK Yearbook, and the 2019 table of mandatory Penalty Regulations appended to these regulations.

2.3 By registering for the Championship all competitors, and their associates, commit to the MOTORSPORT UK Race 'n' Respect campaign and agree to positively promote and demonstrate the Racing Code, which is appended to these regulations.

2.3.1. Where any reports of disrespectful conduct are judged to be well founded the Championship organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the Championship Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of Championship points and/or race bans through to Championship Expulsion and referral to the MOTORSPORT UK.

2.4 PRACTICE

Official practice will be at least the minimum period as specified in the MOTORSPORT UK Regulations

3. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

3.1 MOTORSPORT UK 2019 Specific Karting Technical Regulations apply together with the 2019 MOTORSPORT UK Kart Race Year Book Regulations and any M.S.A. approved U1.1.3 Technical regulations.

Arising from post-race scrutineering or Judicial Action, an exclusion from the whole meeting will incur MOTORSPORT UK regulations C3.5.1. For an exclusion from a race (heat or final) the penalty will be decided by the Clerk of the Course on that day.

3.2 Classes: Cadet Honda, Cadet IAME, Minimax, Junior Blue, Formula Blue, Rotax Max

3.2.1 Scrutineering: Pre-race will be as per S.R's. All competitors will be given a scrutineering card where they have SOLE responsibility to fill it in correctly and hand to the scrutineer a pre race scrutineering. This must contain the following information – Drivers name, class and race number, the chassis unique number as MOTORSPORT UK U1.1.3 and each engine's unique number. The card must be signed by the driver. These cards will be the only method used to check that each competitor is using at all times the equipment declared and presented by him/her at pre-race scrutineering.

At any post race scrutineering the chassis and engine number must be those stated on the scrutineering card, however the Chief Scrutineer has limited discretion to correct obvious typographical errors on the card. Should it be found that the chassis or engines do not comply to the above requirements it will be considered to be a matter of fact for which there will be no appeal.

Post race scrutineering will take place after heats and finals and all results are deemed provisional until all karts are released by the Scrutineer and/or after completions of any Judicial or Technical procedures, including the testing of fuel, which may take several days.

3.3 Grids:

The maximum grid will not exceed the MOTORSPORT UK Track Licence requirements for each track.

For all classes, the initial grid positions will be allocated by ballot except when specified otherwise in the S.R.'s

3.4 Race duration will be as specified in the S.R.'s for the meeting.

Heats and Finals duration may be reduced in wet weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances and will be announced on the dummy grid accordingly prior to the race. Changes can also be made during racing for safety reasons.

3.5 Limitations

3.5.1 CHASSIS – All classes will be allowed to enter one chassis.

In the event of an accident, during a race, in which the competitor has not finished and has received maximum non-finish penalty points, a frame exchange may be allowed. The damaged kart must be shown to the Eligibility Scrutineer prior to leaving the circuit and park ferme. The Eligibility Scrutineer must be satisfied that the frame is beyond repair. The replacement frame must be bare i.e. no parts fitted and CIK homologation as the original. Once the frame exchange has been completed the original and damaged frame must be deposited with the Scrutineers prior to continued involvement in the race meeting.

3.5.2 ENGINES- All classes are allowed two engines

Formula Blue & Junior Blue Official Restrictors / Weights – as per NKRA list as posted on planetkarting.co.uk website in the Race Class info menu section / Junior Blue or Formula Blue.

3.5.3 ADVERTISING

NOSECONE , NASSAU PANEL AND VISOR

Competitors will be required to carry advertising stickers as supplied, and in the position specified, by a sponsor of the Championships. The nosecone (Front Bumper) and the nassau panel will be reserved for this purpose and may not bear other advertising at NKRA events. The stickers may be obtained from the NKRA

OTHER AREAS.

There are no restrictions on the use of advertising apart from 8.1, however they must not interfere with the visibility of race numbers.

4 KARTING PENALTIES – Summary of Mandatory Penalties

The penalties are as defined on the Clerks Decision Notification and accompanied by the Clerks Decision Notification Explanations issued by MOTORSPORT UK. These are mandatory penalties.

Appendix 1

Championship Structure and Fixtures

The NKRA Championships are divided into two regions, North England and Wales, Southern England and Wales and provides a regional championship for all NKRA classes. There will be a Grande Final for 1 class in each of the Cadet, Junior and Senior categories. For this year the classes are Honda Cadet, Junior Blue and Formula Blue.

Event Category	Boundary	Classes
NKRA Regional	North England and Wales South England and Wales	All NKRA Classes
Regional Challenge (Blue Challenge)	North England and Wales South England and Wales	Formula Blue Junior Blue
Coincident Events : Blue 'zero' plate : Grande Final	All Areas All Areas	Formula Blue Junior Blue Formula Blue Junior Blue Honda Cadets

NKRA REGIONAL FIXTURES 2019

NORTHERN AREA NKRA Championship FIXTURES 2019

There are no fixtures scheduled for the Northern area for 2019

SOUTHERN AREA NKRA Championship FIXTURES 2019

(5 Rounds 4 to count)

31st March	Mansell
28th April	Mansell
9th June	Clay Pigeon
14th July	Clay Pigeon
4th August	Forest Edge

2019 GRANDE FINALS for CADET HONDA, JUNIOR BLUE & FORMULA BLUE

1st September	Forest Edge
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2019 BLUE CHALLENGE –

8 Rounds (also incorporates the NKRA Rounds)

31st March (inc. NKRA Round 1)	Mansell – TBC
7th April	Little Rissington
28th April (inc. NKRA Round 2)	Mansell – TBC

12th May

26th May (Blue Zero Plate)

9th June (inc. NKRA Round 3)

14th July (inc NKRA Round 4)

4th August(inc NKRA Round 5)

Clay Pigeon

Mansell – TBC

Mansell – TBC

Clay Pigeon

Forest Edge