

2022 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 General Regulations of the Motorsport UK Association Limited (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations. MOTORSPORT UK Championship Permit CH2022/K020 Status [C] MOTORSPORT UK Championship Grade: [C]

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

Cadet Honda, 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 2022, the classes are Honda Cadet, Junior Blue, Senior Blue.

1.2 Officials:

1.2.1 Co-ordinator: Mrs. Julie Shone

1.2.2 Eligibility Scrutineers: Mr. D. Truman

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 interclub as a minimum or be in possession of the highest grade of national Kart licence or valid CIK-FIA International Licence, together with their ASN's written consent (H)26.2 and FIA ISC Article 2.3.7.b applies); and ; 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 Teams:

A Team is a commercial race company or racing team hosting drivers in providing race services or covered accommodation in the Championship and receiving financial gain where the principal is not also the PG Entrant licence holder. This includes the use of team names, team sticker kits and team race suits/clothing:

A Team shall at all times uphold and respect the provisions of the Respect Code, the General Regulations and these Championship Regulations as may be amended from time to time and shall;

(a) hold a Motorsport UK Entrant licence;

(b) have at least £5million Public Liability Insurance;

(c) uphold the values of the Respect Code and all applicable Motorsport UK policies and guidance

(d) act in a professional manner at all times and not act or permit any member of the Team to act in such a manner as to bring moto sport, the Championship or Motorsport UK or any of its officers and official into disrespect:

(e) adhere to the Motorsport UK Safeguarding Policies and guidance documents, complete Safeguarding training when required and ensure that any person undertaking Regulated Activity is the holder of a valid DBS certificate supplied through Motorsport UK;

(f) adhere to the General Regulations in respect of anti-alcohol and illicit drugs as well as Motorsport UK process for anti-alcohol and illicit drugs testing;

(g) nominate one member of their Team as the Team Representative at each meeting including but not exclusively for the purpose of all judicial proceedings at Events and who shall be present at all judicial proceedings concerning drivers entered under that Team licence in substitution for the driver Parent / Legal guardian.

1.3.3.1 It is recommended the Team has:

(a) a designated team member as a 1st 4Sport, Level 2 qualified coach;

(b) a designated UKAD Certified Advisor and

(c) be responsible for carrying out and documenting a risk assessment of their activities; (a risk assessment management tool available)

1.3.4. 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 and /or return registrations

1.4.2 The registration fee for 2022 is £80

1.4.3 Registration forms may be presented at any time before the beginning of an event. Any rounds completed before registration will be treated as missed meetings (see 1.6). 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 rounds for the Junior Blue and Formula Blue Classes incorporate 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 Championship calendar is attached to these regulations; the calendar of events is also published on www.planetkarting.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 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. (2022: 6 out of 7 rounds score) 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 (2021 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 before the results become final.

1.6.1.1 Scoring for the Grande Final

Supplementary Non-Attendance Penalty. A penalty of 2 points (max. 12 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.

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 their 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 disqualified 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

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 (incorporating the Blue Challenge) 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. Attending another event may not be considered a valid reason.

1.7.3 The NKRA does not award bonus prizes.

1.7.4 Presentations:

Event Trophies

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

Trophies will be presented to All NKRA Classes. Winners must be present at the ceremony to collect their awards; unless the Championship organiser has been informed and accepted a valid reason for absence, in which case regional trophies will be given to the competitors host club who will ensure an appropriate presentation. Attending another event 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 NKRA 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 NKRA 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 NKRA Championship co-ordinator 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, U21.1

2.2 Championship:

In accordance with Section C of the current MOTORSPORT UK Yearbook, U21.1

2.3 By registering for the Championship all competitors, and their associates, commit to the MOTORSPORT UK Race with 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.

2.3.2 It is imperative that we promote the safety and wellbeing of your people and adults at risk. In additions to this all participants must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and abusive language and harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any such incidents must be reported to the Club Safeguarding Officer and /or Motorsport UK. The Motorsport UK Safeguarding policy, guidance documents including reporting mechanisms are available on the Motorsport UK website.

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 current Specific Karting Technical Regulations apply together with the current MOTORSPORT UK Kart Race Year Book Regulations and any MSUK 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, 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 at 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 (plus sequentially marked parts) 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-finishing 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

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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 2022 (Coronavirus permitting)

SOUTHERN AREA NKRA Championship FIXTURES 2022 - 7 rounds 6 to Count (also incorporates the Blue Challenge)

27 th March	Mansell
10 th April	Clay Pigeon (inc. Blue & Jnr.Blue Zero plates)
24 th April	Mansell
8 th May	Clay Pigeon
12 th June	Clay Pigeon
3 rd July	Forest Edge
10 th July	Clay Pigeon
4 th September	Forest Edge - FINALS for Cadet HONDA; Junior BLUE & Formula BLUE



A socially-minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code:

[Motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect](https://motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect)
[#RaceWithRespect](https://twitter.com/RaceWithRespect)

The Values

- Respect
- Fair play
- Integrity
- Good Manners
- Self-Control

I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play my part in keeping the sport safe through your actions
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.