

GCKI Rules for Registration, Practice & Race Procedures

- a. **REGISTRATION:** Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. and cease at 11:30a.m. on race day. Any participant who changes classes, or registers after registration closes will start in last place in the class for the prefinal.
Qualifying is scheduled to begin at noon

- b. **PROHIBITED TOYS PETS ETC.:** Skates, Skateboards, bicycles, scooters, motorcycles, and other like vehicles, balls etc are not permitted on GCKI property on race day, except for authorized race official use. Pets are not allowed at GCKI. First time offenders will be warned, and they will be required to restrain pet on a leash of 6' or less or to keep the animal in a confined space (car, etc.). Second time offenders will be asked to leave.

- c. **QUALIFIED ENTRY:**
 - i. The kart frame, not the driver, is the official entry in any GCKI event and there shall be no substitution of a frame without permission of the Race Director.
 - ii. The entrant must be present at pre-race technical inspection with all necessary equipment to substantiate legal entry for all classes entered.
 - iii. If any participant enters a race without the intent to race, as determined by the Race Director, the participant will not be considered an entry and no points will be awarded.

- d. **PRACTICE:** The track will be open for practice for all race day entrants on all race dates, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and continuing until called by the Race Director.

- e. **ORDER OF PRACTICE:**
 - i. Race day practice may be controlled at the discretion of the Race Director.
 - ii. If controlled, practice will be conducted in 10-minute sessions, beginning at a time determined by the Race Director and continuing until race time.
 - iii. In controlled practice, each practice session will be divided into 4 groups and practice in the order of (1) all junior classes; (2) all senior clutch and direct drive classes; (3) all shifter classes, (4) kid karts.
 - iv. Prior to controlled practice on race days, Kid karts and inexperienced drivers should not drive on the track with faster drivers.
 - v. The Race Director has the discretion of combining or dividing practice groups.

- f. **DRIVERS MEETING:** A drivers meeting will be held as soon as possible at the conclusion of the practice. Attendance at the drivers meeting is mandatory

for all drivers. A loud sound device (i.e., air horn) or announcement over the public address system will be used to call drivers to the drivers meeting and any driver failing to be present for the drivers meeting within 5 minutes of the sounding of the device or announcement for drivers meeting may be excluded from the racing event.

g. **RACING ORDER:**

- i. The classes will race in the order determined by the Race Director.
- ii. The Race Director has the discretion of combining classes.

h. **GENERAL RACE PROCEDURE:**

- i. Each race day will consist of qualifying session, a pre-final and a feature race.
- ii. The grid position for each race is determined by qualifying time and the finish position in previous heats. The driver with the fastest qualifying times of the heat will start at the pole position followed by the rest of the field. Ties will be settled by comparing the next fastest lap to determine the race order. As a general rule, races with combined classes will be grid according to time and finish positions and not by class. The race director will grid a class together as a separate race or together but combined with other classes if a single racer in the specific class requests this special grouping. This special request must be received by the Race Director before the end of the race meeting prior to the start of qualifying. No requests to grid separately will be considered once qualification begins.
- iii. The pre-final and feature races will be a rolling start, except for shifter karts. Shifter karts will have a Grand Prix style standing start; the karts will be lined up in 2 rows, allowing 15 feet from the front tire to front tire with the front tires of the karts on the front row being on the start line (the location of which shall be at the discretion of the Race Director); and a penalty of 2 finishing positions will be given to any kart that moves to gain an advantage before the green flag is given to begin the race.
- iv. Each participant has 90 seconds from the time the class is given the order to start their engines before the class leaves the grid. After the class has left the grid, a participant may only join the class under the direction of the grid steward and must move to the back of the grid.
- v. Classes will race a 12 lap pre-final and a 20 lap final. The Race Director has the discretion of altering the foregoing. vi. There is to be a break of not less than 15 minutes, with not less than 5 minutes of open track, at the conclusion of the pre-final and before the commencement of the feature races.
- vi. As a general rule, racers who have not raced more than 6 heat races are automatically classified as novice racers and are required to place a black "X" on the back of their helmet and start from the back of the grid. A novice racer can begin racing according to the results from

qualifying if the race director determines that they are capable of racing in close proximity to other racers. It is the responsibility of the driver and crew to determine their skill level and help the race director place them in a safe position on the grid.

i. QUALIFYING PROCEDURE:

- i. On entering the race, all participants **MUST** provide an AMB transponder number to registration. It is the responsibility of the racer to verify that their transponder is in working condition and that the tracks timing system is able to receive a signal from your transponder. On entering the race each participant will also draw a random number from a container for each class entered. In making the draws for multiple classes the participant will designate the class being drawn before making the draw. These numbers may be used in lieu of timed qualification in the case of a timing system failure etc.
- ii. When registration is closed, each class will grid and prepare to qualify for starting position in the pre-final. Any participant who is allowed to register after the close of registration will not be allowed to qualify and will start the pre-final in the back of the grid.
- iii. Qualifying will consist of either three timed laps on the track or fixed period time qualifying sessions. Qualifying procedure is at the discretion of the race director. A kart will leave the grid and make one warm-up lap followed by three hot timed laps (green, white and checkered).