



Whilton Mill Kart Club – February ‘Winter Open Cup’ Event Regulations 2026

1. SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL

1.1 Title & Jurisdiction:

The Whilton Mill Kart Club New Year Sprint is organised and administered by Whilton Mill Ltd and is trading as Whilton Mill Kart Club in accordance with the National Competition Rules (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and the Motorsport UK Karting Yearbook and these Regulations (“the event”).

Status: Interclub

Type: Karting – Short Circuit

1.2 Officials:

1.2.1 Co-ordinator: Dan Rust

1.2.2 Event Secretary: Mandy Byrne

1.2.3 Eligibility Scrutineer: Ernie Salmon

1.2.4 Safeguarding Officer: Mandy Byrne

1.3 Competitor Eligibility:

1.3.1 Entrants must 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 in possession of valid Competition Interclub status Licence, 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; and

A competitor shall not take time off school to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their school. If participation 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.

- 1.3.3 A Team is a commercial race company or racing team hosting drivers in providing race services or covered accommodation 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 Regulations as may be amended from time to time and shall;
- (a) hold a valid Motorsport UK Entrant licence;
 - (b) have at least £5 million 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 motor sport, Motorsport UK or any of its officers and officials 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 processes 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 1st4Sport, 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; (risk assessment management tool available)

1.3.4. All necessary documentation must be presented for checking if called upon.

1.3.5. It is mandatory for all Drivers and Team Managers and PGs to attend all Drivers Briefings.

There may also be a general additional Drivers Briefings communicated digitally on Alpha and must be read.

1.4 Registration:

1.4.1 There is no registration fee for this Event.

1.4.2 Whilton Mill Kart Club membership fee is £99.00. This will give members discounted entry rates and additional benefits.

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1.5.4 The New Year Sprint may be known by another name on the same dates and both names are seen as the same Event and will be organised by Whilton Mill Ltd, trading as Whilton Mill Kart Club. All enquiries should be directed to the Club Competition Secretary: Dan Rust, WMKC, Whilton Locks, Daventry, Northants NN11 2NH or email compsec@whiltonmill.co.uk

1.6 Scoring:

1.6.1 The event will consist of Timed Qualifying, 2 heats and a final across two days with practice and Timed Qualifying typically on the first day and 2 heats and final on the second day unless split grid groups and day-light hours require this to change for some classes.

1.6.1.1 Finishing positions in Timed Qualifying will determine grid positions for the heats, then the combined points from the heats will determine grid positions for the Final.

1.6.2.1 Nose-cone penalties will lead to deletion of fastest lap in Timed Qualifying.

1.6.2.2 If conditions are deemed by the organisers and Clerk of the Course to have changed significantly between Timed Qualifying sessions of the same class, then the fastest lap time from each group will qualify on pole and 2nd on the grid for the Heat, the 2nd fastest time will qualify 3rd and 4th, and so on. If time available demands, an alternative process may be adopted as determined by the Clerk of the Course and Chief Timekeeper.

1.6.2.2.1 It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that their transponder is of the correct type for Whilton Mill Kart Club and fitted correctly behind the seat and not near lead weight and working. Any transponders not fitted or not working may result in the competitor not being resulted and no finishing position or lap time given. This applies to both hired and owned transponders.

1.6.2.3 Event points will be awarded for heats, not Timed Qualifying, and A and B Finals as follows:-

1.6.2.4 Heats, for meetings with Timed Qualifying and 2 heats, 1st – 36 pts, 2nd – 34 pts, 3rd – 32 pts, reducing by one point per place.

For meetings with Timed Qualifying and 1 heats, points will be 1.5 x that issued for 2 heat meetings above, ie 1st – 54pts, 2nd – 51 pts, 3rd – 48 pts, etc

1.6.2.5 A Final: 1st - 60 pts, 2nd - 57 pts, 3rd - 55 pts, 4th - 54 pts etc.

1.6.2.6 A driver who fails to finish in the A Final will be given points according to the number of laps completed for classification purposes.

1.6.2.7 Any driver who does not start a race but appears on the grid ready to start, will be given event points as if they were classified in last place. This will apply equally to all drivers who do not start a race.

1.6.2.8 B Final: 5th - 21pts, 6th - 20 pts, 7th - 19 pts etc reducing by one point per place.

1.6.2.8.1 The first 4 finishers in the B Final will score event points according to their finishing position in the A Final.

1.6.2.8.2 A driver who fails to finish in the B Final will be given a position according to the number of laps completed and event points will be awarded accordingly.

1.6.2.8.3 A driver who fails to take up his position on the dummy grid for the Final will not be given any event points for that race.

1.6.2.8.4 Any driver who is excluded or disqualified from any heat or Final will score 0 event points. 0 points for any disqualifications cannot be dropped from the final standings.

1.6.3 In the event of a meeting cancellation, the organisers will attempt to arrange an alternative date for the meeting to be held.

1.6.4 In the event of meeting abandonment due to force majeure, such as track flooding, snow, insufficient first aid cover etc, then the following will apply:

1.6.4.1 If all heats required for any given Class (as per the programme of the meeting) to calculate grid positions have been completed then event points and results may be awarded according to those grid positions. This may mean that drivers occupying the first 4 grid positions in the B Final will score event points as if they had finished in the last 4 places of the A Final.

1.6.5 Unless all heats are completed for any given Class, event points will not be awarded from the meeting. However, it may be possible to award points on a class-by-class basis if certain classes have completed their heats whilst others have not.

1.6.6 The winner of each class will be the competitor with the highest overall points. In the event of a tie, then the driver with the most 1st places, 2nd places and so on, will decide the result.

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1.7 Awards:

1.7.1 Trophies will be awarded to 1st 2nd and 3rd place in each class, for A Finals only. There may also be an award for the First Novice in every class provided there are 2 or more and Driver of the Day.

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1.7.4 Trophies are to be provided for presentation at the end of the Final race for a Class or at an end of the meeting presentation ceremony.

1.7.5 In accordance with the current government legislation, the Club 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 Club 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 Johns House, Merton Road, Liverpool L75 1BB.

1.7.6 In the event of any provisional results being revised after any Awards presentations and such revisions affect the distribution of any awards the competitors concerned must return such Awards to the Whilton Mill Kart club in good condition within 7 days from date of notification.

2. SPORTING REGULATIONS - JUDICIAL PROCEDURES

2.1 Event: In accordance the current Motorsport UK NCR's, and Whilton Mill Kart Club SR's/ Motorsport UK mandatory penalties.

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2.3 By entering this event 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 organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the event Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of points and/or race bans through to event expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.

2.3.2. It is imperative that we promote the safety and wellbeing of young people and adults at risk. In addition 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.

3. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

3.1 The event is open to the following classes, as defined in the Motorsport UK Kart Yearbook: Subject also to Class entry numbers herein and with reference to the SR's.

ROTAX Micro (Cadet)
ROTAX Mini (Inter)
ROTAX Junior Max
ROTAX Senior Max (incl. 177)

IAME Waterswift Restricted (Cadet)
IAME Waterswift (Inter)
IAME X30 Junior
IAME X30 Senior

HONDA 200 Cadet
Other Motorsport UK Classes may be invited at the discretion of the organisers.

3.2 For all classes with bar coded tyres barcode details must be submitted on competitors' scrutineering card/online as necessary. In the event of not being able to read a barcode you must report to a scrutineer so the tyre or tyres can be marked.

3.2.1 Only one set of slick tyres will be allowed once racing commences. Competitors racing in more than one class must use a different set of slick tyres per class.

3.3 Fuel and Tyre testing may be subject to fees as determined by the Motorsport UK.

3.3.1 Following an approved Motorsport UK test where the fuel/tyre is found to be illegal the competitor will be disqualified from the results and his/her conduct reported to the Motorsport UK for consideration by a disciplinary Tribunal. Tyre tests may be carried out by a portable volatile organic compound (VOC) detector used to detect the application of illegal chemical substances applied to tyres, in contravention of Motorsport UK regulations.

3.4 NO tyres can be left at the circuit. The penalty for leaving waste/tyres will be a fine of £500 to offset the cost of disposal, at the discretion of the organisers.

4. Race with Respect



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 #RaceWithRespect

The Values • Respect • Fair play • Integrity • Good Manners • Self-Control

By participating in a Motorsport UK event, 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.