

ACTION SHEET – For Consultation

Committee:	Timekeeping Committee
Date of meeting:	16 th October 2018
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Section Q Racing

Existing Regulation

8.1.10.

(a) Cars will be Permitted to carry radio transmitters or receivers, for which Ofcom licences will be checked at scrutineering, in the following races only:

(iv) Where the Competitor has a non-transmitting radio receiver tuned to the frequency of a single transmitting device, which is under the direct and sole control of the Clerk of the Course. The system is to be used solely for providing competitors with instructions or warnings issued by the Clerk of the Course.

Proposed Regulation

8.1.10.

(a) Cars will be Permitted to carry radio transmitters or receivers, for which Ofcom licences, where required, will be checked at scrutineering, in the following races only:

(iv) Where the Competitor has an ~~non-transmitting radio receiver~~ **MSA-approved information system** tuned to the frequency of a ~~single~~ transmitting device, which is under the direct and sole control of the Clerk of the Course **or Chief Timekeeper**. The system is to be used solely for providing competitors with **timing data and/or** instructions or warnings issued by the Clerk of the Course **or Chief Timekeeper**.

Reason: *There are several products now on the market that can be used to transmit data to the competitors under control of the race organisers.*

Some of these systems use the timing transponder to transmit the data therefore previous reference to a non-transmitting receiver is no longer suitable, using the term "Information System" allows such systems to be used and provides for future products that may use a different method.

The important restriction of the system being under the control of the Clerk of Course or Chief Timekeeper is retained to ensure that transmissions are consistent and appropriate.

MSA Approval means that the reliability of the systems can be verified to ensure that the system will work as prescribed.

Implementation: 01 January 2020

Section U Karting

Existing Regulation

12.6. All transmission or communication of data, verbal or electronic, between a moving Kart and the Kart's Entrant or team is only allowed in the following circumstances:

12.6.1. If Officially sanctioned cameras and other recording devices and transponders are fitted as required by the Organisers of a specific meeting.

12.6.2. Voice communication in endurance races where SRs specify the use of relevant equipment, which must be appropriately licensed

12.6.3. A single burst of timing data from the Kart as it passes the receiver.

12.6.4 Where the Competitor has an MSA-approved transponder system that receives timing data and/or instructions or warnings, which is under the direct control of the Clerk of Course or Chief Timekeeper.

Proposed Regulation

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12.6.1. If Officially sanctioned cameras and other recording devices and transponders are fitted as required by the Organisers of a specific meeting.

12.6.2. Voice communication in endurance races where SRs specify the use of relevant equipment, which must be appropriately licensed

12.6.3. A single burst of timing data from the Kart as it passes the receiver.

12.6.4 Where the Competitor has an MSA-approved ~~transponder~~ **information** system that receives timing data and/or instructions or warnings, which is under the direct control of the Clerk of Course or Chief Timekeeper.

Reason:

There are several products now on the market that can be used to transmit data to the competitors under control of the race organisers.

Some of these systems are separate from the timing transponder therefore, previous reference to the transponder system is no longer suitable. Using the term "Information System" allows such systems to be used and provides for future products that may use a different method.

Implementation: 01 January 2020

Existing Regulation

Lap Scoring and Timing

5.1. Manual lap scoring must be carried out at all meetings.

Proposed Regulation

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5.1. Manual lap scoring must be carried out at all meetings. **Exceptionally where transponder timing takes place, a working stand-alone camera system under the direct control of the Chief Timekeeper for the purposes of lap scoring may be used.**

Reason:

Current regulations require a manual lap scorer to be present as back up to the electronic system transponder timing system.

However, it can be difficult to find someone to fulfil this role. A camera back-up on a stand-alone system will also provide this function, this proposal allows the event to use a camera system in place of appointing a manual lap scorer.

A manual lap scorer will still be required where no transponder timing takes place.

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Section G Officials

Appendix 1: Officials' Licences – Tables, Charts and Diagrams

Table number 6

Event Status	Race	Kart	Speed incl. Records	Stage Rally
International	**International Race	**International Kart	**International Speed	**International Rally
National 'A'	National Race Timekeeper	Timekeeper Kart National	National Speed Timekeeper	National Rally Timekeeper
National 'B'	National Race Timekeeper	Timekeeper Kart	National Speed Timekeeper	*National Rally Timekeeper
Clubman	National Race Timekeeper	Timekeeper Kart	Timekeeper Speed	*National Rally Timekeeper

* Includes Timekeepers proposed by Regional Associations and approved by the MSA but only when manual timing is used. When automatic timing is used minimum grade is National Rally with Certificate of Competence from timing equipment manufacturer.

** Where an International Event has no National content, an International Timekeeper Licenced by an ASN may be appointed.

Reason:

To introduce the grade of International Kart Timekeeper as International Status events are now run in the United Kingdom, Specifically the CIK FIA European Championship.

Where an International Series visits the United Kingdom, the events are held under an MSA Permit, which requires an MSA Licenced Timekeeper of the appropriate grade to be appointed. However, the visiting series will normally bring their own Timekeeping team and systems meaning the MSA Licenced Timekeeper is largely redundant.

This proposal removes the need, and subsequent cost, for the organisers to appoint an MSA licenced Timekeeper providing the Series Timekeeper holds an International Timekeeper Licence issued by an ASN (ASN is a defined term in the National Sporting Code). However, where there are National support events an appropriate MSA licenced Timekeeper must be appointed.

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