

## CIK Front Fairing Mounting Kit

Following the introduction by the CIK-FIA of the front fairing mounting kit and the wholly positive feedback received from those who have witnessed it in use, Motor Sports Council has mandated its introduction for all Senior and Junior non-gearbox karts, with effect from 01 March 2016 (the only exception that will be considered is any Class which has proven compatibility issues with chassis design).

### The benefits

Wide ranging benefits to the sport of Karting as a whole, including:

- Improved driving standards
- Greatly reduced instances of contact or 'loading'
- Cleaner and fairer racing
- Reduced ongoing costs for damage repairs
- Far less frequent replacement of the front fairing meaning that savings should easily outweigh any initial cost.

### What is it?

- There is only one CIK-FIA homologated front fairing mounting kit (CIK-FIA Drawing 2c and homologation 1/CA/20 01/01 ET), more detail on the 'kit' can be found [here](#) and [here](#).
- The 'kit' sits between the front bumper bars and the front fairing
- When subjected to contact which exceeds the load limit, the mounting bracket and front fairing move rearwards to then sit slightly 'loose' between the front bumper bars (CIK-FIA Drawing 2d).

### Preparing for 2016

- The CIK front fairing mounting costs in the region of £12 for the blocks, or £30 for the whole kit
- The 'kit' is entirely reusable and compatible with all current period CIK-FIA front fairing and bumper homologations, it does not need to be replaced if a front fairing and/or bumper is replaced
- Only the more recent (2020 expiring) CIK-FIA homologated front fairings are compatible with the 'kit', so there may be a need to purchase a new front fairing.

### What about bumpers?

- There is a requirement under CIK-FIA and MSA regulations for the front fairing homologation number to match the front bumper homologation number. In short this means that as well as a new front fairing, there may be a need to purchase new front bumper bars initially
- However, the MSA is actively working with the bodywork manufacturers to create a list of older-homologated bumper bars that are of identical specification to the newer-homologated bumper bars and therefore compatible with the corresponding new front fairing and mounting kit
- Once compiled and verified this list will be published, and it is confirmed that where detailed on this list there will be no need to replace the existing front bumper bars for use in MSA National (National & Clubman status) racing
- It is intended that this list will also extend in the same way to side pods and bumpers, allowing even more savings in the longer-term
- There is no need to replace any other bumpers or bodywork such as side pods, rear bumper etc. when fitting the CIK front fairing mounting kit.

### What about the penalty?

- With effect from 1 March 2016 a 10 place penalty (subject to Motor Sports Council confirmation) will be automatically applied should a kart return to parc fermé with the front fairing mounting kit in the 'detached' position (CIK-FIA Drawing 2d). There is the option to pit and reset the front fairing where circuits have that facility.

### Why not Cadets?

- Cadet (or 'Minikart') bodywork is not currently CIK-FIA homologated and therefore no compatible approved or homologated mounting kit is available.