

## REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

Committee:	Kart Committee
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### Section H (Licences)

#### Current Regulation

**8.3.** A competitor making an application for the first time for a Kart (not Kart Clubman) licence must obtain a novice kart driver 'Starting Karting Pack', which contains the required application form, from Motorsport UK and then complete an approved course at a school registered with the Association of Racing Kart School (ARKS). The procedure to be followed is contained in the 'Pack'. Exemptions are as follows:

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**8.3.3.** Anyone who can provide proof of having ever held a Kart Clubman licence and can produce written proof of having been classified as a finisher in at least 6 Kart Endurance, or Kart Tyro/Clubman races, held under the jurisdiction of Motorsport UK, during 2017, 2018 or 2019.

- (The 'Starting Karting Pack' is required in this instance and the driver will be required to pass the ARKS written examination.)

#### Proposed Regulation

**H8.3.** A competitor making an application for the first time for a Kart (not Kart Clubman) licence must obtain a novice kart driver 'Starting Karting Pack', which contains the required application form, from Motorsport UK and then complete an approved course at a school registered with the Association of Racing Kart School (ARKS). The procedure to be followed is contained in the 'Pack'. Exemptions are as follows:

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**H8.3.3.** Anyone who can provide proof of having ever held a Kart Clubman **or KX licence** and can produce written proof of having been classified as a finisher in at least 6 Kart Endurance, ~~or~~ Kart Tyro/Clubman **or KX** races, held under the jurisdiction of Motorsport UK, during 2017, 2018 or 2019.

- (The 'Starting Karting Pack' is required in this instance and the driver will be required to pass the ARKS written examination.)

**Reason:** *With the extension to KX (equipment supplied karting) we need to allow for the move over to the Kart InterClub licence recognising the experience gained.*

**Implementation: 1 January 2021**

## Section U (Karting)

### 1.7. Bambino Event.

Pre-Race training for 6 and 7 year olds, which can only be held on circuits specifically licensed for Bambino. Drivers must hold a Kart Clubman Licence, which they can obtain from their 6th birthday and may continue in Bambino until the 31st December in the year of their 8th birthday. Full details and criteria are contained within the Motorsport UK Karting Yearbook.

1.7.1. A Bambino Race may only be held on circuits specifically licensed for Bambino Racing and may not form part of a Championship other than one run by or on behalf of Motorsport UK.

1.7.1.1. Drivers must hold a Kart Clubman licence, have reached the year of their 7th birthday and have participated in at least 6 Bambino events.

### U1.7. Bambino Event (15.6).

**Time Trial:** Pre-Race training for 6 and 7 year olds, which can only be held on circuits specifically licensed for Bambino. Drivers must hold a Kart Clubman (**Bambino**) Licence, which they can obtain from their 6th birthday and may continue in Bambino until the 31st December in the year of their 8th birthday. Full details and criteria are contained within the Motorsport UK Karting Yearbook.

U1.7.1. **Race:** A Bambino Race may only be held on circuits specifically licensed for Bambino Racing ~~and may not form part of a Championship other than one run by or on behalf of Motorsport UK.~~ **subject to the following:**

(a) Drivers must be at least 6 years of age.

(b) Drivers must have satisfactorily completed an ARKS test.

(c) Drivers must hold a Kart Interclub (**Bambino**) licence.

(d) the meeting format must only provide for timed qualifying, heats and final(s).

~~1.7.1.1. Drivers must hold a Kart Clubman licence, have reached the year of their 7th birthday and have participated in at least 6 Bambino events.~~

U1.7.2. **Kart Teams are prohibited from involvement in Bambino time trials or race events.**

**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.**

**Reason:** *With the cancellation of the Motorsport UK Bambino Championship (time trial) there are very few time trial events running. This proposal allows for the continuation of time trials being run at club level whilst providing for the ability of drivers from 6 years of age to undertake ARKs training specifically taking account of driver familiarisation and ensuring a driver is ready for racing. Bambino race grids are restricted in size and as specified on the track licence which must be specifically endorsed valid for Bambino Racing.*

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### Cadet Category

15.1. Category for 8-12 year-olds.

15.1.1. A Competitor may enter the Cadet Category from their 8th birthday, or the year of their 8th birthday having proof of satisfactorily completed at least 3 Bambino races. Drivers may continue in the Category until 31st December in the year of their 12th birthday.

15.1.2. Having moved into the Motorsport UK Mini or Junior Category, a Competitor may not revert to Cadet.  
15.1.3. Deleted.

### Bambino

15.6. Pre-race training, in accordance with the current Motorsport UK Bambino Karting Regulations, for 6-8 year olds. A competitor may continue in the class until 31st December of the year of their 8th birthday.

### Cadet Category

U15.1.1. A Competitor may enter the Cadet Category from their 8th birthday, or the year of their 8th birthday having proof of satisfactorily completed at least 3 **Motorsport UK Bambino races (not time trial)**. Drivers may continue in the Category until 31st December in the year of their 12th birthday.

U15.1.1.1. Drivers in the year of their 8<sup>th</sup> birthday, meeting a minimum height of 125cm, having satisfactorily completed 3 Motorsport UK Bambino time trials may move to the Cadet Category and be restricted to a single venue subject to:

- a) Having satisfactorily completed the approved ARKS course ((H.8.3 applies)
- b) The Competition Licence application must be endorsed and submitted to Motorsport UK by the recognised kart club.
- c) The licence will be held by the Motorsport UK kart club and remain valid for their Motorsport UK Permitted Cadet kart races only until the driver has either:
  - (i) reached their 8<sup>th</sup> birthday; or
  - (ii) obtained the Motorsport UK Stewards signature on the upgrade card at a minimum of three InterClub kart races.

U15.1.1.2. Once the driver has reached their 8<sup>th</sup> birthday they will be eligible to apply for an unrestricted Interclub Kart licence.

U15.1.2. Having moved into the Motorsport UK Mini or Junior Category, a Competitor may not revert to Cadet.  
U15.1.3. Deleted.

### Bambino

U15.6. Pre-race training **and racing (1.7)**, in accordance with the current Motorsport UK Bambino Karting Regulations, for 6-8 year olds. A competitor may continue in the class until 31st December of the year of their 8th birthday.

**Reason:** To allow for a driver who has only been able to participate in Bambino time trials the ability to move to Cadets in the year of their 8<sup>th</sup> birthday subject to being restricted to participating at a single venue.

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14.1.4. For Long Circuit

(a) the driver may either produce a Kart or Car Race licence specifically endorsed valid for Long Circuit Karting, see the chart of Minimum Acceptable Licences in Section H.

(b) New competitors will be considered as Novices and must carry Novice plates (Q.11.3) until they have received four signatures from Motorsport UK Stewards for competing successfully on Long Circuits

U14.1.4. For Long Circuit

(a) the driver may either produce a Kart licence specifically endorsed valid for Long Circuit Karting or a Car Race licence specifically endorsed valid for Long Circuit Karting, see the chart of Minimum Acceptable Licences in Section H.

(b) New competitors must be able to demonstrate that they have either undertaken their ARKS test at a venue licenced for long circuit karting or having taken the short circuit ARKS test must demonstrate their experience to the satisfaction of the Clerk of the Course or an ARKS Instructor during practice at a long circuit kart event.

~~New competitors~~ New drivers will be considered as Novices and must carry Novice plates (Q.11.3) until they have received four signatures from ~~Motorsport UK Stewards~~ the Clerk of the Course for competing successfully on Long Circuits.

(c) Drivers in Division 1 will require the minimum of a Kart National licence.

**Reason:** It is considered now appropriate to mandate for long circuit ARKS to be undertaken and where an ARKS course has already taken for short circuit that these drivers should have a long circuit assessment before competition. In addition the Division 1 (twin cylinders) kart drivers must have at least the National Kart licence.

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