

My First Race Meeting

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Background

Competing at your first race meeting can be quite overwhelming and a daunting experience. The purpose of this document is to assist you in making your first race meeting an enjoyable stress free experience.

National Competition Rules

Before attending your first race meeting it is necessary to have an understanding of the National Competition Rules that you will be competing under. The Observed Licence Test has prepared you for the experience but has not covered all of the regulations. All Race Meetings are governed by the regulations established in the Australian Karting Manual which is available from the KA website www.karting.net.au. Please make yourself aware of the Regulations and specifically your class rules.

Supplementary Regulations

For every race meeting a set of supplementary regulations will be approved and distributed covering the specifics of the event. They contain information such as the Classes eligible to compete, entry fees, practice considerations, entry methods, a timetable for the event covering gate opening times and other specific important information for the event you are about to compete in. Supplementary regulations can be found on your state association web site, your club specific web site or for National Events on the KA website.

Entering a Race Meeting

After you have reviewed the Supplementary Regulations for the race meeting you will be required to enter the race meeting by either using the on line portal through the Karting Australia CMS system or as specified in the supplementary regulations. The KA portal can be found at https://karting.net.au/cms/member. You will be required to enter your identity number (licence number) and your password that will have been provided to you with your licence. It is a simple process to select the club that you wish to compete at, the class you are competing in and the payments conditions attached to the meeting. Once you have entered you are able to confirm your entry is in order by viewing the entrants for a specific race meeting by using the drop down menu on the top right hand corner of the CMS home page (after you have logged in). Please be aware that most race meetings have a specific date for the closing of entries and that CMS will not let you enter after this date (as detailed in the supplementary regulations).



Race Day Arrangements

Now that you have practiced and obtained a satisfactory level of competiveness to go racing you will be ready for your first race meeting. On the day of competition ensure that you are at the track and set up ready to start the day in accordance with the timetable.

As a new competitor you will be required to have your kart scrutineered. The time and location will be detailed in the supplementary regulations. You will be required to present a completed scrutineering form (available from www.karting.net.au/administration/forms), your kart ready to compete, and all of your safety apparel. Once you have had the scrutineering form completed and signed you will need to attend driver sign on with your licence card and scrutineering form to confirm your entry for the event.

Drivers Briefing

The drivers briefing is compulsory for all drivers and pit crew/guardians if the competitor is under 18 years of age. The location and time of this will be stipulated in the supplementary regulations. Be early; be attentive as this is where any specific information for the day will be relayed to you.

Practice/Timed Practice

Practice/Timed Practice will be as stipulated in the supplementary regulations. You must be early to the grid and ready to go when the grid marshal indicates for the session to commence. Observe all instructions from the officials at all times as they are there to assist you in your endeavours. Remember they are volunteers, they may see things that you are not able to recognise when you are in your kart and overall are to be respected and observed at all times.