

Medway Valley Kart Club - 2023
Motorsport UK - British TKM - O Plate - Briefing Notes

PLEASE READ - Drivers Briefing

Thank you for supporting this event for the British TKM O-Plate at Buckmore Park.

THE BASICS:-

We hope you enjoy your time with us and we want to assure you that we have done our very best to accommodate everybody's needs in making this event run as smoothly as possible and catering for your welfare.

ABSOLUTELY NO SETTING UP WILL BE PERMITTED ON THURSDAY.
NO DRILLING OF THE TARMAC IN THE PADDOCK PLEASE.
NO TYRES OR FUEL CANS TO BE LEFT BEHIND.

Race 'n' Respect

MVKC subscribes to the MSUK "Race 'with' Respect Campaign" and it is your responsibility to ensure that both you and anybody associated with you, understands and subscribes to the "Race 'with' Respect Campaign." For more Information. please click [HERE](#)

The notes that follow are the final instructions for your attendance to our Owner Driver Practice and Race Meeting at Buckmore Park.

This will be a combination of a formally organised practice day and Race meeting all under Motorsport UK Permit.

Important Facts:-

Access:-

A NO ACCESS will be granted to any competitor, their friends, family, mechanics or team personnel before the following times:-

B Friday at 10am. Thereafter, access will be 24/7

C Sunday - Premise must be vacated by 9pm unless you have prior permission from MVKC

D Absolutely no access will be granted to any competitor or team before Friday at 10am

E Paddock parking will be assigned on a first come, first serviced basis.

F The instructions of our marshals OR any Buckmore Park personnel must be obeyed.

G We **MUST** vacate by the times stated above. The venue will be closed and locked during the day on Monday.

Welfare

A The Paddock Toilet block will be left open 24/7

B The showers will be operative 24/7

C There is potable water available on the outside of the WC building.

D If you notice a problem with the toilet facilities, please make a member of staff aware so we can deal with the issue.

E There are no power hook ups in the paddock.

Waste

A Please collect all your own waste into bags and tie them up.

B Please take all your rubbish home.

C **DO NOT** leave any tyres or fuel cans on site.

D Tyres are easily disposed of at home by placing in a black sack and leaving outside your for your dustman.

Catering

A The catering facility will be operational from around 7.30am on each day.

B Please retain your rubbish or use the waste bins provided by the caterer.

Spectators

A Spectators are welcome

THE ESSENTIALS:-

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MVKC - Race Weekend - Buckmore Park

All MSUK Classes

1. Background

It is the driver's responsibility, or PG/Entrant in the case of a competitor under the age of 18, to ensure that they have read this Driver's briefing and understand the event SR's.

You must sign-on electronically via your Alpha Timing account.

This all must be completed before you are allowed to take to the track.

There are no exceptions and access to the track will be refused if you approach the Dummy grid without having signed on.

2. Officials

Your Co-ordinators for this event will be Jay Fairbrass 07973 401722 & Chris Derrick 07768 170863

Your Co-ordination team will be based in Race Control.

Race control will be in the office in the Scrutineering building.

You are not permitted to enter the Race Control office unless invited by a member of circuit staff.

Judicial Hearings/Penalties

Judicial or penalties will be dealt with by the Clerk of the course and/or Motorsport UK Steward.

3. Specific Points

3.1 General COVID Conditions:

3.1.1 Deleted

3.2 Attendance:

3.2.1 Spectators are permitted to attend this event,

3.2.2 Verbal or physical abusive or acting in an intimidatory way toward the Gate Marshall will result in the driver AND their helpers being excluded from the event.

3.3 Moving around the site:

3.3.1 All scooters, go-peds, bicycles etc must not be used at any point during the event and should not be brought to the meeting.

3.3.2 Anyone found to be riding such equipment may have it confiscated or be asked to leave the venue.

3.4 Face coverings:

3.4.1 The wearing of face coverings outside buildings is OPTIONAL.

3.5 At the end of racing/practice:

When the chequered flag is shown please proceed safely to Parc Ferme. Raise your hand as you approach Hairpin 1 and slow right down keeping to the left hand side.

3.6 If you feel unwell:

Should any person attending feel unwell and exhibit any symptoms of Covid-19 they must inform the organiser of the meeting immediately on 07973 401722 and let them know all details of who they have been in close contact with. They must then leave the venue and organise a test by phoning NHS 111 and immediately inform the Race Director of the result.

3.7 Other points:

3.7.1 All drivers/teams must bring a first aid kit to enable them to deal with minor injuries in your own awnings.

3.7.2 All drivers/teams MUST bring a fire extinguisher with them. We recommend minimum of 2.5kg dry powder.

3.7.3 Karts MUST be Motorsport UK compliant and meet the minimum safety standards as set out in our regulations.

3.7.4 This means fully enclosed Chain Guard, Brake Safety Cable, Seat stay washers, Steering Lock Collars and Exhaust End Can (Vevey Exhausts Only) as a minimum.

4. Event details for the day:

4.1 Grids / Practice:

The practice sessions and duration will be shown in the event timetable which is available online via Alpha Timing results and via our website or Social Media

The timetable will also be sent to you via email and be available to view on the dummy grid.

The signal for leaving the dummy grid will be a green flag.

Classes may be combined as follows if grids do not reach a sufficient level. i.e. 14+ per class.

Wherever possible, we will provide separate heats and/or finals where time allows if classes are combined.

4.2 Timetable:

Open Practice will run from from **10am** and the session order (If any) will be as displayed on the timetable.

Please listen to communication via the circuit tannoy carefully for the call to your practice session.

The timetable will be fluid and fast moving, possibly changing at some point during the day.

Race Timetable will start at 10am and continue throughout the day in the order shown in the Race Programme.

4.3 Running of Engines:

There are strict noise regulations at Buckmore Park. **NO ENGINES MAY BE STARTED BEFORE 9.30am.**

If you see or hear somebody starting an engine before 9.30am, please politely let them know of this rule.

4.4 Race / practise procedure:

Please see final instructions sent via email and posted on Social Media.

Race/Practice End:

Practice will be ended by the chequered flag either at the Start / Finish line or the exit of the dummy grid.

Please slow down and come into the pits immediately, with your hand raised to inform those behind you that you intend to leave the circuit.

- a. The entrance to the Owner Driver Pit Lane **is straight ahead off of Hairpin 1.**
- b. Slow down and keep to the left as you approach Hairpin 1.
- c. With your hand raised, continue through the hairpin staying left and get into the pit lane - **DRIVE SLOWLY.**
- d. Keeping left and dead slow, please drive into the Parc Ferme area find the next nearest space to park/stop.
- e. **NEVER** cross the pit lane to get back onto the circuit.
- f. **NEVER** cross the circuit to get onto the pit lane when travelling down the hill.
- f. **NEVER** enter the dummy grid from circuit.

4.5 Track-limits:

4.5.1 Persistent and / or extreme running over the track limits - as defined by the white lines and kerbs or as deemed unsafe will result in the driver being cautioned.

4.5.2 Drivers continuing to ignore track limit warnings may be black flagged and reported to the Steward.

4.6 Incidents: Should you break down or be involved in an incident on circuit you must give the marshal a clear 'thumbs up' to show that you do not require medical attention. You must, where possible, move your kart to a place of safety and follow the marshal's instructions to go to a place of safety.

4.6.1 NEVER lift a kart up on top of the barriers of safety cushions, there are possible gate exits around the circuit for mechanics to access with a trolley but **ONLY** when given permission. Karts may have to be left on circuits until the end of another practice session.

4.6.2 Please obey all flag signals as per MSUK Blue Book.

4.6.3 The '**Quarter flag/ Battenberg**' – will not be used for Practice.

4.6.4 Please obey **Yellow flags**. Lift off and look ahead / around to see what the incident is - **No Overtaking!**

4.6.5 Once you have past the incident, you may continue at race speed.

4.6.6 In the event of a **Red flag** - stop practicing or racing, slow down and expect to stop on the start finish straight unless otherwise directed by an official / or marshal.

4.6.7 End of Practice or Race will be signalled by the Chequered Flag.

5. Scrutineering:

5.1 Please go onto the weight scales if directed by an official.

5.2 You **MUST NOT** drive onto the scales. Stop and push your kart on and off the scales.

6. Drivers Briefing:

6. We will have a full drivers briefing Saturday and Sunday morning where you may ask the officials any questions.

6.1 The location and time will be advertised in the Race Programme.

6.2 If you got this far, well done for reading. Knowledge is power.

6.3 We'll see you at Drivers Briefing each day please at 09:15hrs in Parc Ferme - All Drivers, Team Managers and PG/Entrants.

Thank You For Reading