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Highlights of changes to the JKA's Rules & Regulations for the 2024 Season:

1.7 Conduct of Members

Every member shall conduct himself according to the highest standards of behavior and good sportsmanship in all dealings with the Association and its members. The club's image is of utmost importance. Any defamatory remark of a member verbally, via print or electronic media (electronic groups and chats) is strictly prohibited.

3.1 Class Structure

JKA Class & Category Structure			
Class/Category	Minimum Weight (lbs)	Competition Age (years)	Technical Details
Comer	Defined in Section 6		
50cc	150	5-8	spec gear 10x86
Rotax	Defined in Section 9		
MicroMax	235	7-11	Spec gear 14x73. Rotax EVO 125 MY20 engine and auxiliary specification with 1mm cylinder base plate removed (minimum 1.2mm squish gap), Reed Valve stopper plate gap 17mm minimum
Minimax	265	10-13	Spec gear 13x82 or 12x76. Rotax EVO 125 with 2020 Minimax restrictions (minimum 1.2mm squish gap), 20mm exhaust socket Rotax 273194 (0.3mm wear tolerance), 2020 Rotax exhaust assembly Rotax 273078 and Rotax radiator 295928. Reed Valve stopper plate gap 17mm minimum
Junior	320	12-15	Minimum 1.2mm squish gap
Senior	360	15 and above	Minimum 1.0mm squish gap
Masters *	390	32 & up or 16 & up if driver over 190lbs	Minimum 1.0mm squish gap
Super Rotax Bracket	390	14 and above	Only Non-EVO Rotax 125 Engine

Competitors of competition age less than 32-years-old must be of competition age 16-years-old or older and have a minimum driver weight of 190 pounds including all race apparel except helmet. **NOTE: All Rotax EVO 125 Engines are to have 2023 and older cylinders.**

3.3 JKA Championships

d) The Driver with the highest points score will be recognized as the Abe Ziadie Champion at the end of the season. Comer 50 class and Super Rotax will not be included in the Abe Ziadie Championship. The Abe Ziadie Champion is calculated based on the same number of racing opportunities across the eligible classes, if any class misses a race or meet due to force majeure then the other classes will lose points from the equivalent race or meet in calculating overall champion.

Section 4

General Prescriptions applicable to JKA Karting Events, Championships and Trophies

4.2.7.2 Rookie Drivers

New drivers to the sport of Racing will be considered rookies for the entire season and will be eligible for special rookie awards at the end of the season. Their first 3 race meets must be started from the back of all grids. The officials will determine when a rookie driver can start races in their qualified positions. The Competition Committee of the JKA can waive Rookie status based on its discretion. Drivers competing for first time in rolling start races will be required to start at the back of grid for at least 1 meet, the officials will determine when first time rolling start driver can start in their qualified position.

4.2.22 Restarting a race (Qualifying Heat or Race of the final phase)

Working on karts will be allowed only in the Servicing Park ; the only persons allowed to intervene on a kart are the Driver himself and his appointed Mechanic, holder of the appropriate pass. If the regulations of the Event provide for this possibility, it will be allowed to introduce spare equipment (only the equipment identified in the case of chassis and/or engines) in the Servicing Park. Refueling will be allowed.

Case A: If less than 2 laps have been covered, a new start will be given within 60 minutes after presentation of the red flag (in the conditions provided for under Article 4.2.19 F). The length of the new race will be the full original race distance. The original start will be deemed null and void.

The starting grid will be the same as for the original race. Those Drivers having crossed the Finish Line at the end of the lap prior to that during which the race was stopped and those who were in the Repairs Area when the red flag was shown will be eligible to take the restart. Unoccupied places on the grid shall remain vacant.

Case B: If more than 2 laps have been covered, a new start will be given within 60 minutes after presentation of the red flag (in the conditions provided for under Article 4.2.19). The length of the new race will be equal to the difference between the scheduled number of laps and the number of laps covered. The Drivers who have crossed the Finish Line at the end of the lap prior to that on which the race was stopped and those who were in the Repairs Area (except in a final phase Race) when the red flag was shown will be allowed to take the new start.

4.25 Penalty Catalogue

Section 8 Appendix I 2024 Rotax Sporting Regulations – Penalty Catalogue (Attached as a separate file.)

4.27 JKA Code of Conduct

Section 8 Appendix III: JKA WhatsApp Group Rules (Attached as a separate file.)

5.4.3 Safety Equipment

- All competitors in the Comer 50cc, Micromax, Minimax and Junior classes are required to wear a neck brace
- All competitors in the Comer 50cc, Micromax and Minimax classes are required to wear a chest protector
- For Rotax Senior & above, neck brace is optional
- If a competitor loses any part of their safety equipment (eg. neck brace, chest protector, helmet) during a race, the competitor will be black flagged and removed from the race
- If any part of the safety equipment falls off a kart during a race (eg. rear bumper, front or side pods), the competitor will be black flagged and removed from the race
- The competitor will be deemed to have finished the race at the point of losing the safety equipment and will be awarded any points attributed to the position finished.

Section 6

Comer Class Technical Regulations

Comer 50cc Rules

6.3) Engine Specifications: Comer **C-50 & C-51**. All engines are to remain stock, as supplied by the manufacturer. No grinding or aftermarket accessories (including fasteners) except as specifically noted. The only changes permitted are those that will promote equality among competitors rather than increasing performance.

Section 7

ROTAX Class Technical Regulations

7.2) The following exceptions for Jamaica Karting Association:

Unless otherwise specified in the supplementary regulations:

- 1) All Rotax Classes must run Maxxis Dry and Wet tyres
- 2) Battery – Any 12v-7amp digital battery may be used
- 3) Mandated fuel: **Straight 93 octane fuel** to be supplied by the club on race day
- 4) Mandated oil: Motul Synthetic oil
- 5) Squish gap for Micro/Minimax minimum= 1,20mm
- 6) ECU for Micro/Minimax "666814" or "666815"
- 7) **All Rotax EVO 125 Engines are to have 2023 and older cylinders.**

Appendices

Appendix I 2024 Rotax Sporting Regulations – Penalty Catalogue

Appendix II 2023 Rotax MAX Challenge Technical Regulation

Appendix III JKA WhatsApp Group Rules