

COC Communication No. 1
Motorsport Ireland National Kart Championship
23rd August 2026 –Athboy Karting Centre, Co. Meath
Permit 26/110



This meeting is organised by Westmeath & District Motor Club under the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland (including Appendix 70), incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA, CIK, Supplementary Regulations, these Final Instructions (COC Communication No. 1), and any bulletins that are issued by Westmeath & District Motor Club.

Officials

MI Stewards: Brian Morris & Ben Whelan

Clerk of the Course: James Coleman

Assistant Clerk of the Course: Mark McDowell & TBC

Assistant Clerk of the Course (Digital): Adam Farrelly

Event Secretary / Check in: Darren Moore

Chief Timekeeper: Paul Grogan

Scrutineers: Pat O'Dowd, Enda Byrne, Colin Millar

Ambulances: Code Blue

Starter: Mark McDowell

Marshals: Westmeath & District Motor Club / Motorsport Marshals Association / Athboy Marshals

Dummy Grid: Marc Gorman / Ernie Alford

Pre Grid / Gate: Helena Flynn / John Corrigan

Club Steward: John Carter

Deputy Clerk of the Course: Mickey Brennan

Competitor Liaison Officer: Sinéad McLoughlin

Chief Scrutineer: Jimmy Wolverson

Children's Officers: Ernest Alford & Michelle Farrelly

Results Service: Timing - results

Before you arrive to the track

Ensure you complete the required indemnity form and scrutiny forms online using the INEO system. Please ensure that you have entered your Engine Number / Seal - the number stamped into the metal of your engine, NOT the barcode, into INEO before check-in.



Check that your race number is correct on the entry system and on all 4 sides of your kart.

Ensure that you have entered the correct transponder number on your entry & that your transponder is charged.

All Novice drivers MUST run Black plates with White numbers.

Designated Fuel Station is TOP Athboy Service Station, Trim Road, Athboy, C15 XF8C and only pump number 3 should be used. Fuel from this station and this pump are the only permitted fuel to be used for the event from warm up until the completion of all finals by all competitors.



When you arrive at the track

You must adhere to the parking plan that has been provided & follow the instructions of personnel on site.

Please ensure you use the bins provided, however please take home used tyres, etc.

Please ensure that you leave the facility in the same condition that it was in when you arrived.

Electric Scooters and Bikes are not permitted in the paddock at any time.



**Hire transponders can be ordered
at
[https://www.timing.ie/transponder
-rental/standard-events/](https://www.timing.ie/transponder-rental/standard-events/)**

Digital Noticeboard
<https://www.timing.ie/results/>

Scrutiny



It is the responsibility of each driver to complete their scrutiny form online using the INEO system.

The scrutiny section of the INEO system will close at **9am on Sunday morning** and it will not be possible to make any changes to your equipment after this time. It is the responsibility of each driver / entrant to ensure this is completed on time. Only equipment registered on the INEO system and / or scanned at tyre collection can be used on race day. Use of unregistered components will result in exclusion from the session where detected.

Checks may be performed on selected karts by the Scrutineers at any time. Please note that this includes performing selected checks on karts at the entry to the pre grid as selected by the scrutineering team.



Tyres - Tyre scanning times will be STRICTLY ENFORCED.

All drivers are required to pre order race tyres through <https://tillotson.ie/racing/motorsportireland/>. Tyre barcodes will be scanned at the Tillotson collection point on **Saturday from 11am until 1pm for IAME classes** and from **2pm until 4pm for T4 classes**. Racesuits and helmets will also be checked at this time



Your registered race tyres must be used for Warmup / Practice / Timed Qualifying, Heats & Finals. Only barcoded tyres that have been purchased from the official tyre retail outlet can be used for Warmup / Practice / Timed Qualifying, Heats & Finals

ALL competitors must complete a minimum of 3 laps of the track in the warmup / practice session. Any driver failing to complete 3 warmup laps must report to the COC who may impose penalties at their discretion as per Appendix 70

IAME CLASSES!!! Please note that grease inside the clutch drum will not be accepted.

Damaged nose cones will not be accepted and must be replaced before a kart will be allowed on track.

Appendix 70.2 Chassis update

Please note that appendix 70.2 section 2.7 text is replaced with the following: "The width of the front and Rear wheels must conform to technical Drawing No.2.1a of the CIK-FIA technical regulations."

Your attention is drawn to Article 8.7 of the Kart Sporting Regulations

It is mandatory to carry a transponder for all on track activities. The transponder must be fixed on the lower part of the back of the kart seat. It is the entrant / driver's responsibility to ensure the transponder is fully functional and battery charged at all times. Penalties will be applied as per Section 8.9



Please note that neckbraces are strongly recommended for all classes and are MANDATORY for Bambinos



Driver Check In



Driver check in will take place on Saturday from 2pm until 4.30pm and it is mandatory for all drivers /entrants. Please bring the following items with you:

- Valid competition kart licence of appropriate grade.
- Valid minor entrant license for drivers under the age of 18.
- Transponder number.

Any competitor who is unable to attend Saturday check in must notify the event secretary by email to wmdmc.22@gmail.com no later than 5pm on Saturday, 22nd August 2026 to make alternative arrangements. This will only be accommodated by arrangement with no exceptions. Anyone who does not complete the check in process will not be permitted to race.

Please Note: If you do not attend check in on Saturday and you do not make arrangements with the Secretary on or before 17.00 hrs on Saturday to check in on Sunday morning, a 3-place grid penalty will be applied to your finishing result of Heat 1 or your 1 st heat completed, you may also be fined €100.00 at the discretion of the COC as per GCR Article 131.17.

Refunds will only be given if your entry is officially withdrawn by sending an email to wmdmc.22@gmail.com no later than 4pm on Friday, 21st August 2026. There is a €20 administration fee.

Race Day



Driver's Briefing

Driver's Briefing will take place at 8:15am on Sunday morning. A roll call will be taken & failure to attend will result in a €50 fine as per App 70.1.21.3



Meeting Status

There will be a meeting status board on display at the entry point to the pre grid area. Please refer to this board throughout the event and in particular, in changeable conditions.

- If the meeting status is DRY only slick tyres can be used.
- If the meeting status is WET only WET tyres can be used.
- If the meeting status is OPEN slick or wet tyres can be used.



Pre Grid

It is the responsibility of each driver to ensure they are on the dummy grid on time for each race. Access to the pre grid will commence as soon as the gate to the dummy grid for the previous class has closed. The GATE for access to the dummy grid will close 5 minutes after the start of the previous race, indicated by a countdown clock placed at the entrance. Once the gate is closed you cannot leave and re-enter the dummy grid.

Clarification Regarding GATE CLOCK for Timed Qualifying The first qualifying class/group will be permitted to enter the dummy grid area up until the time of release either by instruction or the display of a green flag or light. The GATE will then be closed for that session and access will be forbidden. For all subsequent classes / groups a 5-minute timer will be displayed commencing at the time the previous class / group are released. Once the 5-minute timer has ended the GATE will be closed for that session and access will be forbidden.

Opening Spots on Grid

Where a competitor fails to present themselves to the assembly grid for a race, all other competitors leave a gap. Failure to do so will result in a penalty in accordance with the Motorsport Ireland General Competition Regulations



Running Order

The running order for the event will be published on [timing.ie](https://www.timing.ie/results/). Please note that any times given are only an indication and are subject to change. Any alterations to the running order will be posted on the digital notice board <https://www.timing.ie/results/>

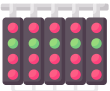
Competitors should keep themselves aware of track activity to ensure that they are ready for their session / race. The Club reserves the right to merge grids within track licence limits to ensure an efficient running of the event.

Drivers leaving the dummy grid



For safety reasons, all karts entering the track must do so in a safe manner. We will be monitoring dummy grid exit behaviour and reserve the right to report any infringement of these Final Instructions to the Clerk of the Course.

Race Start Procedure



All classes EXCEPT for T4 Bambino will be Rolling Starts. The T4 Bambino will be a Standing Start.

Rolling Starts. There will be a minimum of ONE FULL rolling lap before the race start is given for this event.

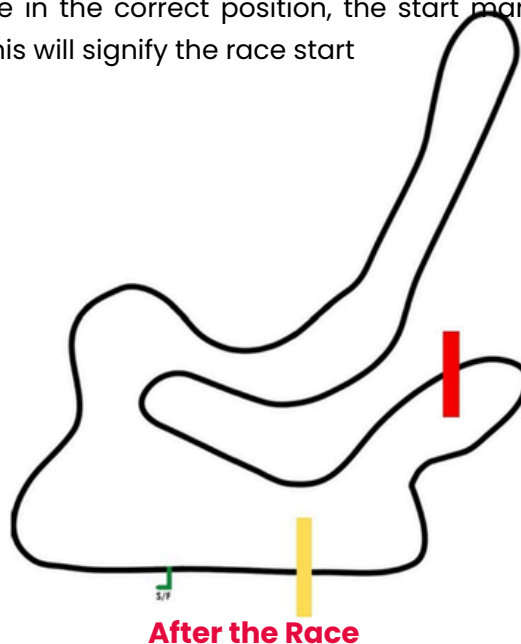
All karts must be in a two-row formation by the point indicated in red on the track map below. **Karts cannot overtake to retake grid positions once they have passed this point and must remain in the position where they are when they pass this point.** There must be no weaving / tyre warming after crossing this point.

The pace between this line and the yellow line must be a constant or reducing. Failure to do so will result in a false start and an additional formation lap. Penalties may be applied in accordance with Appendix 70.1

The start signal will be given when the lead competitors are between the yellow line and the start line if the starter/COC is satisfied with the formation and pace. Once the start signal is given, racing conditions apply.

Standing Starts

Competitors will leave the pre grid area and proceed around the track at a reduced speed to the start finish line. Competitors will be met by an Official in the centre of the track with a red flag raised above their head. Grid Marshal(s) may be present to assist competitors in taking their correct grid position. Once all competitors are in the correct position, the start marshal will raise a green flag from the left hand side of the track. This will signify the race start



Competitors will take the chequered flag at the start finish line (marked S/F on the map above).

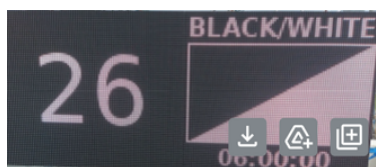
FLAG SIGNAL , LIGHTS, LED PANEL



Please note that the Officials of the meeting will have the ability to display messages to competitors whilst on track through use of an LED panel mounted on or near the Start line gantry.

Messages displayed to competitors on the LED panel will have the same meaning and effect as that of flags and number boards and must be obeyed at all times. Failure to do so may result in a penalty.

Below are samples only of messages which may be displayed.



Flag signals may be supplemented by or replaced by light signals and will have the same authority and jurisdiction as flag signals. Therefore, breaches of signals given by light signals will be treated in the same way as breaches of flag signals. Further examples and explanations will be given at drivers briefing.

RACE NUMBERS ON KARTS



Race numbers must be clearly visible at all times to officials, marshals, and timekeepers. Numbers must be displayed on the rear of the kart, front nassau panel, and on both side pods.



If your numbers aren't properly displayed or formatted, you may be denied access to the dummy grid.

Novice Drivers must use black plates with white numbers, regardless of class.

POINTS TO NOTE



GT app penalties will be signed digitally on behalf of the COC.



The livestream and / or any other video / photos cannot be used for judicial purposes. Only official MI/event footage can be used for judicial matters.



Please be aware that audio and visual surveillance will be in operation throughout this event including the pre-grid / dummy grid and parc ferme areas.



WhatsApp summons: If it is necessary to summons a Competitor to Race Control this will be done via INEO. An automated WhatsApp message will be sent to the competitor/entrant's device. Everyone who has entered had to provide a WhatsApp number, which was validated at the time of entry.

Behaviour towards Marshals / Officials / Volunteers



Motorport Ireland doesnot tolerate any form of abuse or aggression towards officials, marshals or volunteers. The Club will not hesitate to deal with any such behaviour and will refer to Motorsport Ireland and the National Court as appropriate.



Dummy Grid Procedures & Restrictions

Timing & Access

- o The dummy grid opens after the previous race exits.
- o Entry gate closes 5 minutes after the prior race starts. A clock on the gate will indicate the time remaining to access the dummy grid. A siren will sound at the start of each 5 minute countdown for the pre-grid. Once the clock is at zero the gate will be closed.
- o Drivers must arrive on time—no late entries permitted after gate closes.

Who Can Enter

- o Only the driver and one mechanic per kart are allowed.
- o Officials may enter as needed.
- o No additional parents, or team principals—unless officially requested.

Kart Readiness & Adjustments

- o Karts must be race-ready once placed on the ground.
- o They can't return to trolleys unless a wet race is declared.
- o Adjustments are forbidden—only tyre pressure may be altered **using a pressure gauge. It is not permitted to ADD air to tyres.**

Restrictions & Penalties

- o No kart may return to the pre-grid area after the gate closes.
- o Karts not ready will be removed from the grid.
- o Lifting a kart with the engine running results in automatic disqualification.

Wet Race Protocols

The COC has the authority to declare conditions “Wet” and he / she will confirm the amount of time permitted for the changes listed below to be carried out.

- o Allowed changes include air intake box (T4 & IAME), rear wheel & bumper adjustments (IAME & Rotax), and wheel width (T4).
- o Tyres must be changed to wets within tech rules.
- o Only **one** mechanic and driver per kart allowed during changes, i.e. It is not permitted for anyone else, other than the driver and his / her mechanic, to assist.
- o A 2-minute warning signals the end of the modification window.

If a “wet” race is declared while karts are ON the dummy grid the points mentioned above apply and also

- o Drivers/mechanics can fetch wet tyres & trolley from the pre-grid.

Karts who missed the Gate are not permitted to enter the dummy grid at this point.



**Motorsport Ireland National Kart
Championships 2026 - Event 8 -
IAME / Tillotson T4
Athboy
Sunday 23rd August 2026**



Class	Activity	Start	Finish	Duration	Clear	Distance
	Check-In	14:00	16:30	02:30		
	Drivers Brief.	08:15	08:30	00:15		
IAME Cadet	Warm-up	09:00			00:03	3 Mins
IAME X30 Junior	Warm-up				00:03	3 Mins
IAME X30 Senior	Warm-up				00:03	3 Mins
Tillotson T4 Bambino	Warm-up				00:03	3 Mins
Tillotson T4 Mini	Warm-up				00:03	3 Mins
Tillotson T4 Junior	Warm-up				00:03	3 Mins
Tillotson T4 Senior	Warm-up				00:03	3 Mins
IAME Cadet	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
IAME X30 Junior	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
IAME X30 Senior	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
Tillotson T4 Bambino	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
Tillotson T4 Mini	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
Tillotson T4 Junior	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
Tillotson T4 Senior	Qualifying				00:03	5 Mins
IAME Cadet	Heat 1				00:06	7 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME X30 Junior	Heat 1				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME X30 Senior	Heat 1				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Bambino	Heat 1				00:06	6 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Mini	Heat 1				00:06	7 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Junior	Heat 1				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Senior	Heat 1				00:00	8 Mins + 1 Lap
Lunch		12:14	13:14	01:00		
IAME Cadet	Heat 2	13:14			00:06	7 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME X30 Junior	Heat 2				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME X30 Senior	Heat 2				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Bambino	Heat 2				00:06	6 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Mini	Heat 2				00:06	7 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Junior	Heat 2				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Senior	Heat 2				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME Cadet	Final				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME X30 Junior	Final				00:06	10 Mins + 1 Lap
IAME X30 Senior	Final				00:06	10 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Bambino	Final				00:06	7 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Mini	Final				00:06	8 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Junior	Final				00:06	10 Mins + 1 Lap
Tillotson T4 Senior	Final				00:00	10 Mins + 1 Lap
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Official Event Digital Notice Board: <https://www.timing.ie/mikarting>

Timetable Version 2 - (20/08/2026)

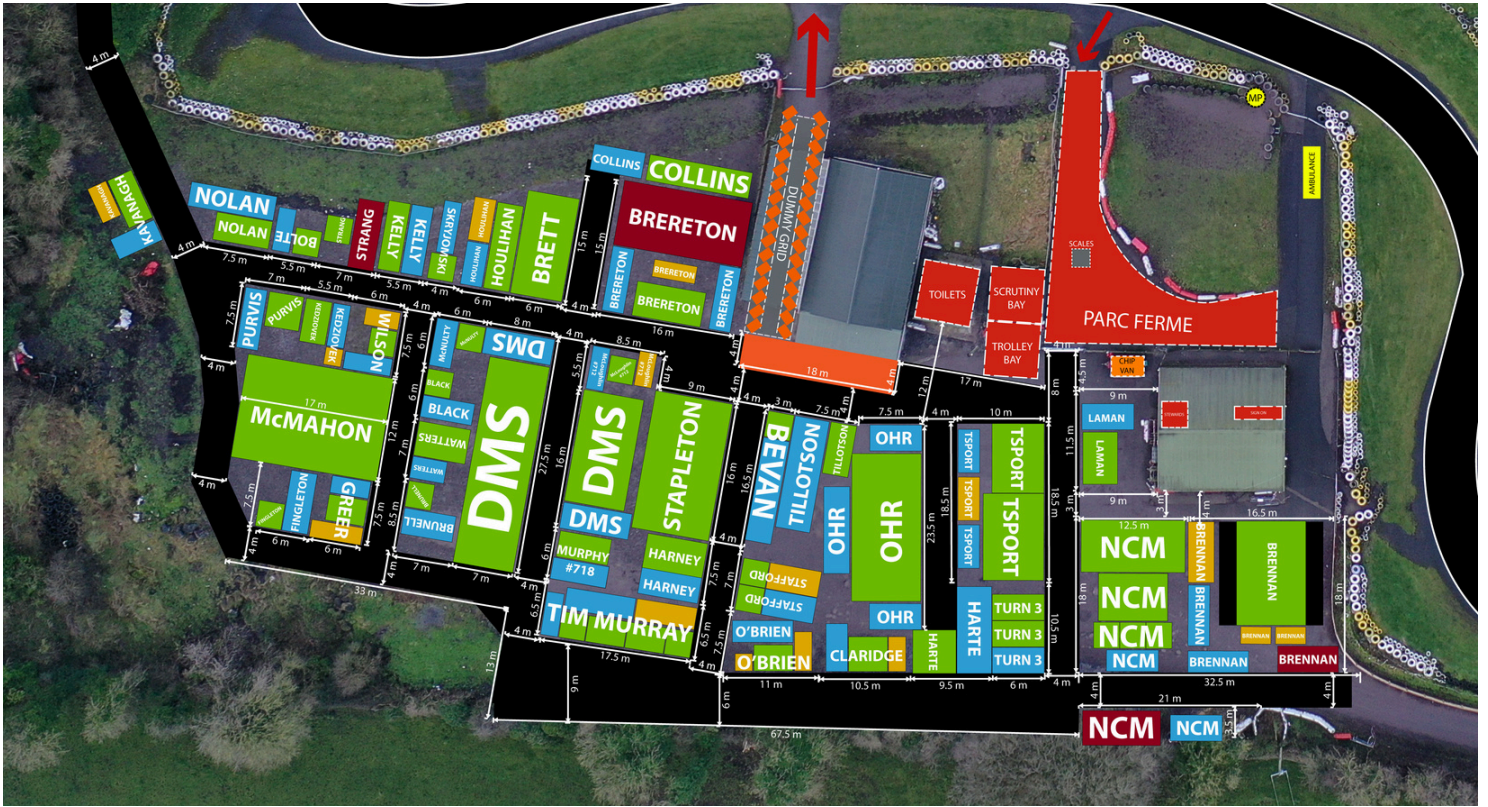
WARNING:

**Motorsport can be dangerous despite the organiser's taking all reasonable precautions
unavoidable accident's can happen therefore you are present at your own risk.**

**All times are provisional & may be changed without notice. It is the competitors responsibility to watch the progress of the
meeting and to be in the assembly area on time before the gate closes.**

Link to parking plan

Please click to click on the
link above for a clearer
image



There is a clear roadway along the bottom of the map and up along the left hand side to the overflow parking in the rear field. It is imperative that this is kept clear at ALL times. There should be no vehicles parked to the left of the NCM motor home along the hedge line.

There are to be no private cars, vans or camper vans in the main working paddock.

The field opposite the main gate is available for parking along with the one to the back of the paddock. No parking is permitted on either side of the approach road to the track – the road MUST be kept clear.

There is no parking on the lane on Saturday entering the paddock, only vehicles such as service trucks/vans etc are permitted in the paddock, the lanes cannot be blocked at any time.

Abuse of marshals or officials will NOT be tolerated at any time.

FLAG SIGNALS APPENDIX 70.1.19

Flag signals to be used by the Clerk of the Course or their deputy at the start line:

(a) National flag: MAY be used to start the race in certain circumstances (e.g. in the case where the light signals no longer function) and for Timed Qualifying.



(b) Red flag: must be waved at the start line and all marshal posts when it has been decided to stop a practice session or the race. The red flag may also be used by the Clerk of the Course or their deputy to close the circuit.



(c) Black and White Chequered flag: signifies the end of a practice session or a race.



(d) Black flag: inform the driver concerned that they must return to Parc Fermé. A driver who receives this flag shall normally be excluded from the race.



(e) Black flag with an Orange Disc (40 cm in diameter): to inform the Driver concerned that their kart has mechanical problems and means that they must stop in the “Repair Area” on the next lap. When the mechanical problems have been rectified, the kart may rejoin the race. A driver who ignores this flag for more than 2 laps shall be shown the black flag and will be excluded from the race.



(f) Black and White flag divided diagonally: warning to the driver concerned that they have been reported for unsportsmanlike behaviour.



(g) Yellow flag: a signal of danger and should be shown to drivers in two ways with the following meanings: - • Single waved: There is a hazard on the edge or on part of the track, reduce your speed, do not overtake and be prepared to change direction. Overtaking is not permitted between the first yellow flag and the green flag displayed after the incident. • Double waved: There is a hazard wholly or partly blocking the track, reduce your speed, do not overtake and be prepared to change direction or stop. Yellow flags should normally be shown only at the marshals' post immediately preceding the hazard. Overtaking is not permitted between the first yellow flag and the green flag displayed after the incident.



(h) Yellow flag with Red Stripes: inform drivers that there is a deterioration of adhesion due to oil or water on the track in the area beyond the flag. This flag should be displayed for at least 4 laps unless the surface returns to normal beforehand. However, it is not necessary for marshals in the sector beyond the place where this flag is being shown to show a green flag.



(i) Blue flag: an indication to a driver that they are about to be overtaken.



(j) Green flag: used to indicate that the track is clear and should be waved at the observation post immediately after the incident that necessitated the use of one or more yellow flags. It may also be used, if deemed necessary by the Clerk of the Course, to signal the start of a warm-up lap or the start of a practice session.



(l) Green flag with Yellow V: This flag is used to signify a false start.