

KNE Cadet & Inter Hire Kart Sprint Championship 2026

1. General Regulations

- 1.1. All competitors who are aged between 8-13 years when they start the Championship are eligible to take part. **Drivers aged 8-11 years old must have previous experience of our 850 circuit** before entering a championship round.
- 1.2. A £20 championship registration fee is payable at the time of booking your first round(s). Registration is not a guarantee of entry into each round, with entry subject to availability at the time of booking.
- 1.3. Cost of entry is £45 per person per round paid at the time of entry. Event entry must be booked in advance with KNE, with entries closing on the Thursday prior to each event. Entries after the closing date may be permitted, subject to a late entry charge.
- 1.4. Registration is at 12.20pm prompt. Anyone arriving late will not be allowed to race with no refund.
- 1.5. There are a total of nine rounds which take place on the first Sunday of each month from February 2026 until October 2026.
- 1.6. There will be two KNE championship classes running in tandem. This means drivers will be awarded points for either the Cadet Championship (for drivers aged 8 years to 11 years when they start the championship) or the Inter Championship (for drivers aged 12 and 13 years old when they start the championship).

2. Entries & Race Format

- 2.1. There is a maximum entry of 37 for each round.
- 2.2. Each driver will compete in a 10 minute qualifying session and a 15 minute final, with the fastest lap times during qualifying determining the grid positions for the final.
- 2.3. In the event of there being more than 13 entries, qualifying groups will be split into equal groups at random with separate sessions being run. Based on qualifying times drivers will then be split into finals dependent on driver numbers.
- 2.4. Where applicable, the winner of Final C will progress to Final B and the winner of Final B will progress to Final A.
- 2.5. Kart allocation for the finals will be decided at random by drivers pulling their numbers from a "hat" after qualifying.
- 2.6. A trophy will be presented to the winner of each final and 2nd and 3rd places in the Final A.
- 2.7. During qualifying, karts may be swapped for genuine performance reasons. If, after testing the kart, no genuine defect is found, a mark will be placed against your record. After receiving two marks during the course of the championship (not per event), your opportunity of changing karts will be revoked for the remainder of the season.



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- 2.8. Driving standards will be monitored and appropriate warnings/disqualifications will be handed out at the discretion of the Race Director. The Race Director's decision on the day is final.
- 2.9. Please remember karting should be an enjoyable sport. Anyone engaged in verbal or physical abuse towards another driver or KNE team member may be disqualified from the event, receive a series disqualification and possible circuit ban.

3. Equipment

- 3.1. All safety equipment is provided for the event, however you may use your own race wear provided it complies to the below:
- 3.2. A full-face crash helmet, with visor (minimum European standard ECE2205 or ECE2206) which fits correctly with a functional strap, No motocross style helmets.
- 3.3. A one-piece abrasion resistant overall or race suit.
- 3.4. Full finger gloves.
- 3.5. All drivers must wear suitable, closed toe, flat soled footwear. Footwear that provides ankle protection is recommended.
- 3.6. The 160cc Sodi junior karts are maintained and prepared ready for each round, including track testing. No lead may be carried to affect drivers' weights. Please note communication devices are not permitted.

4. Go Pros

4.1. Following guidelines from the National Karting Association (NKA) & Motorsport UK (MSUK Blue Book regulations K10.3.3(d) & U19) Go-Pros and similar are not permitted. There is no facility to fasten cameras to our karts.

5. Championship Points

- 5.1. Points will be awarded to drivers for either the Cadet Championship (for drivers aged 8 years to 11 years when they start the championship) or the Inter Championship (for drivers aged 12 and 13 years old when they start the championship).
- 5.2. Each race will score as follows based on the driver's finishing position in their class alone. Where applicable, Final B and Final C points will continue down from Final A points. First 65 points, Second 63, Third 61, Fourth 60 then 1 point less per place down. The best 8 rounds out of 9 will count towards the championships. The driver with the fastest lap for each class will be awarded a bonus point for that race.
- 5.3. Any queries regarding championship points must be raised no later than 10 days from the date that the race has taken place. Queries cannot be raised regarding points for any race day except the last one. Any disputes should be placed in writing to info@kartingnortheast.com



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- 5.4. 20 bonus points will be awarded to any driver participating in all 9 rounds of the Championship.
- 5.5. At the end of the season should a tie happen, the driver with the most overall round wins for their class alone will be awarded the place. If the tie is not resolved the most second places will be counted. If this still does not resolve the tie, the most thirds will be counted and so on until it is resolved.
- 5.6. Points will be announced on the KNE website following the race.
- 5.7. All drivers must drop the score of one of the nine rounds, this is not allowed to be any score where the drivers disqualification from a race took place.

6. Championship Prizes

- 6.1. The Championship winner, of both the Cadet and Inter classes, will receive a test session plus race entry into a Club 100 event, driving a Club 100 hire Rotax kart, and will also receive a trophy.
- 6.2. Second place in both classes will receive a Junior Academy Day at a Club 100 event, driving a Club 100 hire Rotax kart, and will also receive a trophy.
- 6.3. Third place in both classes will receive a test session at a Club 100 event, driving a Club 100 hire Rotax kart, and will also receive a trophy.
- 6.4. Prizes redeemed directly with Club 100, with available circuit locations and dates confirmed when booking.