

## Rules Indoor European Kart Challenge

### Indoor Karting Middelburg

On Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2021 the fifth edition of the Indoor European Kart Challenge (IEKC) will be held at Indoor Karting Middelburg. Practice will be possible on Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2021. There will be 10 minute heats from 10AM until 10PM on those days. Reservations for those heats can be made in advance via the website: [www.indooreuropeankartchallenge.com](http://www.indooreuropeankartchallenge.com).

#### 1. Schedule

##### **Day 1 Saturday 9 October**

Preliminary rounds 1 until 7

##### **Day 2 Sunday 10 October**

Preliminary rounds 8, 9 & 10

3 semi-finals (best 45 drivers)

Grand final (best 15 drivers)

Each driver will drive at least 10 preliminary rounds spread over two days.

#### 2. Driving directions

Preliminary round 1, 3, 5, 7 & 9 will be driven in the normal direction.

Preliminary rounds 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10 will be driven in reverse direction.

Semi-finals will be driven in reverse direction.

The Grand final will be driven in the normal direction.

#### 3. Briefing/draw

The day before the IEKC (Friday evening 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2021 at 8PM) there will be a group draw for the preliminary rounds. Right after that, the karts for the preliminary rounds are drawn as well. Each driver will have a different kart in every preliminary round.

For the semi-finals, the draw will be done right before the race. For the Grand final the result of the final qualification determines who gets to choose his/her kart first.

#### 4. Weight

The minimum weight for each driver is 85.0KG. When the minimum weight is not met, a driver will receive zero points for that race. Weight disks from Indoor Karting Middelburg (IKM) can be used and obtained from the pitmanager (with a maximum of 6 x 2KG per person). These weights must be returned after each race, so enough weight is available for everyone.

#### 5. Qualification

Each driver will drive two full timed laps for the qualification in the drawn kart. The qualification determines the starting order for that race. The pitmanager determines when each driver must leave the pit, this sign needs to be followed immediately. For the qualification, keep driving until the chequered flag is shown.

During the qualification no blue flags will be shown. You cannot hinder other drivers during the qualification, this will be penalised by starting last. Right after the qualification, karts will be stopped and lined up in the correct order.

## 6. Preliminary rounds

The starting order for the preliminary rounds will be determined by the qualification prior to that race. Each preliminary round will consist of 12 laps including a warm-up lap. During each preliminary round, every driver has to make one mandatory short-cut.

The worst result of all ten preliminary rounds will be dropped. This implies the ranking after the preliminary rounds will be calculated using the nine best results from each driver. The top 45 drivers will drive in the semi-finals. If drivers have the same amount of points, the best result of the preliminary rounds is decisive.

## 7. Semi finals

The best 30 drivers after the preliminary rounds will race in the semi finals in 3 groups of 10 (based on the ranking). In the semi finals a new selection of 10 similar karts will be used. In the semi final, every driver will qualify one by one in the same kart, the top 3 will earn 3, 2, and 1 extra points. The semi finals will be 25 laps with 1 mandatory pitstop, fastest lap will be awarded with one extra point.

Group C	Group B	Group A
Position 3	Position 2	Position 1
Position 4	Position 5	Position 6
Position 9	Position 8	Position 7
Position 10	Position 11	Position 12
Position 15	Position 14	Position 13
Position 16	Position 17	Position 18
Position 21	Position 20	Position 19
Position 22	Position 23	Position 24
Position 27	Position 26	Position 25
Position 28	Position 29	Position 30

## 8. Grand final

The best 10 drivers after the semi finals will drive the final, which will be preceded by a knock-out qualification. The winner of each battle can choose the kart, every round survived will be awarded one point, like the fastest racelap. In the final, a selection of 10 new similar karts will be used. The final will be 40 laps with 2 mandatory pitstops.

The driver with the most points will be champion.

If drivers have the same amount of points, the driver with the best result in the final will win.

## 9. Start of the race

All races will start with a rolling start. All drivers must follow the safety-kart for one lap. The speed of this safety-kart must be followed. The race starts if a driver himself/herself passes the start/finish line. From that moment, drivers are allowed to overtake. A green flag will be shown at the start/finish line. Overtaking before the start of the race will be penalised with a black flag (disqualification).

## 10. Pit stop.

during each race, each driver must make 1 mandatory pit stop.

This pit stop lasts about 10 seconds and must be made at the indicated place.

When leaving the pit lane, the driver on the track has right of way.

Failure to make a pit stop will result in disqualification from the relevant race. A 0 points result applies for this race, which cannot be counted as a scrap result.

## 11. Last lap / finish

The race director will indicate the start of the last lap, starting with the leader in the race. After the last lap, the finish flag will be shown starting with the leader in that race.

## 12. Overtaking

Since all participants are experienced drivers, we expect you to know how to overtake in a clean manner. The overtaking driver has to be far enough alongside the driver being overtaken at the inside of the corner. In that case, the driver being overtake should leave sufficient space. In case of an overtake via the outside of the corner, the overtaking driver should be completely passed the driver to be overtaken. In the end, the race director will determine whether an overtake was correct or not. If not, the driver will be penalised.

### 13. Defending

When defending, a driver can only change his/her racing line once. When a driver is overtaken in a correct way, he/she cannot excessively steer back.

### 14. Blue flag

The blue flag will only be waved when there is no fight for position going on. When a driver receives a blue flag, he/she must let the driver behind him/her pass immediately.

### 15. Yellow flag

In case of a yellow flag, 'full course yellow' will be applied. During a yellow flag, drivers are not allowed to overtake. In case of overtaking, disqualification will follow.

### 16. Orange flag

When a driver makes an incorrect overtake, he/she can get an orange flag. The driver must let the other driver pass. Two orange flags or the combination of an orange flag and a warning or stop & go penalty results in a black flag.

### 17. Kart failure

During the 10 preliminaries, each rider drives a different kart.

Karts are only removed from the line-up if it is impossible to continue driving with them.

The decision on this rests with the competition management.

In the event of a minor defect, the kart is repaired immediately, in the event of a major defect, the kart is temporarily replaced and placed back in the line up as soon as possible.

### 18. Penalties

For violating the rules, the following penalties can be given:

Warning: you will get a warning. A second warning within the same race will result in a black flag. After each race, warning will be waived.

Stop & Go Penalty: you will get a time penalty and must stop at the designated place. This penalty will be ten seconds. The combination of a warning and a Stop & Go Penalty will result in a black flag.

Black flag/disqualification: you will be disqualified for this race and must go into the pit immediately. You will get zero points for this race.

The race director will always have the final call in giving penalties. In case a driver receives 3 black flags during the entire competition, the driver will be disqualified for the entire championship. If a driver ignores a black flag, the race director will stop that race.

### 19. Exclusion from participation

During the entire event the organisation is allowed to exclude a driver from participating in case of unacceptable behaviour.

#### 20. Race outfit

Wearing a full face helmet, race suit and closed shoes are mandatory during the championship. Wearing a neck- and/or rib protector is recommended but not mandatory.

#### 21. Headsets

The use of electronic communication is not allowed.

#### 22. Camera equipment

The use of camera's on karts or racing outfit is not allowed.

#### 23. Rankings

There is one general ranking for all drivers from 14 years and older. Drivers below the age of 18 must have permission from their parents and the organisation.

Besides the general ranking there will be another ranking for women and masters (35+ years old). They will however drive amongst the general class drivers.

#### 24. Scoring

##### **Points given per position in the preliminary rounds**

1 = 12 points	5 = 7 points	9 = 2 points
2 = 10 points	6 = 5 points	10 = 1 point
3 = 9 points	7 = 4 points	11 = 1 point
4 = 8 points	8 = 3 points	

0.5 extra point for pole-position in each race

0.5 extra point for the fastest lap in each race (short-cut lap does not count)

##### **Points given per position in the semi-finals and grand final**

1 = 24 points	5 = 14 points	9 = 4 points
2 = 20 points	6 = 10 points	10 = 2 points
3 = 18 points	7 = 8 points	
4 = 16 points	8 = 6 points	

0.5 extra point for pole-position

0.5 extra point for the fastest lap (short-cut lap does not count)

In the semi final and final, every driver will qualify one by one in the same kart, the top 3 will earn 3, 2, and 1 extra points.

There are 4 race classes:

- Overall: all riders participate in this
- Junior: during the IEKC you must be a maximum of 15 years old. One must be born after 10-10-2004
- Master: One must be at least 35 years old and therefore born before 10-10-1986
- Ladies: this speaks for itself