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Preamble:

As World's leading Kart manufacturer and in order to help develop the practice of Leisure Kart racing, SODIKART, in collaboration with the SWS Partner Tracks, hereinafter referred to as PT, organises the **SODIWSERIES** hereinafter referred to as **SWS**.

1. DEFINITION

Leisure Kart racing is a structured activity which offers services for leisure Kart racing and which is under the sole responsibility of the service provider (the SWS Partner Tracks) and is managed by its personnel or personnel acting under the responsibility thereof.

The **SWS** are a programme of Leisure Kart races organised by the PT, open to all leisure drivers (hereinafter referred to as the Driver(s)) participating in the SWS, of all nationalities and aged 7 and above.

These races generate various rankings (for circuits, nations, international ranking, by age group, gender), drivers entering these races must imperatively drive Karts from the **SODI-RENTAL** range.

2. GENERAL ISSUES AND CATEGORIES

Drivers may participate in as many **SWS** as they wish on the selected PT and in the category(ies) of their choice.

All Drivers starting an **SWS** race will score points.

All Drivers who take part in an **SWS** race are assumed to have read these Regulations and agree to be bound unreservedly by all stipulations hereof.

The SWS Categories are ***SPRINT CUP***
ENDURANCE CUP
JUNIOR CUP



Article 2.1: SPRINT CUP Category

- ✓ The **SPRINT CUP** combines the **SPRINT** races, which are open to **individual drivers**.
- ✓ The Drivers in the **SPRINT CUP** category are aged **15 and over**.
- ✓ The organisation and the format of the **SPRINT** races (duration, principles, etc.) are solely determined by the PT.

Article 2.2: ENDURANCE CUP Category

- ✓ The **ENDURANCE CUP** combines the **ENDURANCE** races, which are open to **teams**.
- ✓ Each team is made up of **2 to 6 Drivers maximum** and a team manager who may be one of the Drivers. The team manager has administrative responsibility for the team (entry, obligations, etc.).
- ✓ The Drivers in the **ENDURANCE CUP** category are aged **15 and above**.
- ✓ The **ENDURANCE** races last **over 1 hour** (other than free practice and qualifications)

Article 2.3: JUNIOR CUP Category

- ✓ The Drivers in the **JUNIOR CUP** category are aged **7 to 14 years of age**.
- ✓ The **JUNIOR CUP** combines the **JUNIOR** races, which are open to **individual drivers**.
- ✓ The organisation and the format of the **JUNIOR** races (duration, principles, etc.) are solely determined by the PT.
- ✓ For the **JUNIOR CUP** category, the PT is free to chose the Sodi-Rental Kart which will be driven, it must imperatively take into account and comply with all the safety standards applicable in its country.

3. ORGANISATION OF THE RACES

The **SWS** races can only be organised by **SWSPartnerTracks**.

The PT are solely responsible for the safety, organisation, and as such, have the duty to enforce the applicable regulations in their country. They are the sole guarantors of the successful completion, organisation and execution and sporting fairness of the race.

In order to take part in the **SWS** Ranking, an **SWS** race must feature at least:

- ✓ **10 SWS Drivers** in the **SPRINT CUP** category
- ✓ **6 SWS Teams** (2 to 6 drivers) in the **ENDURANCE CUP** category
- ✓ **6 SWS Drivers** in the **JUNIOR CUP** category

For the **SWS annual** Ranking, the number of best results per Category will be:

- ✓ The **10 best** results per Driver in the ***SPRINT CUP***.
- ✓ The **8 best** results in Teams in the ***ENDURANCE CUP***
- ✓ The **8 best** results per Driver in the ***JUNIOR CUP***

Note: each PT must organise at least 9 SWS races per year (in all categories) and a maximum of 30 races in the SPRINT CUP and 20 races in the ENDURANCE CUP and JUNIOR CUP category.

The dates of the **SWS** races are published and updated directly by the PT on the www.sodiwseries.com website and at the latest 15 days before the races. Drivers wishing to enter the **SWS** races must comply with the conditions of participation (article 4.1) and with the entry procedure (Article 5.3) set out herein. During a race, the only authority with the power to enforce these Regulations will be the organising PT.

4. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Any competitor wishing to participate in an **SWS** race must **IMPERATIVELY** and **PREVIOUSLY** obtain his **Driver Identification Number** hereinafter referred to as **DIN**. This is an essential pre-requisite for both participating in the race and appearing in the various **SWS** Rankings.

Article 4.1: Attribution of a Driver Identification Number (DIN)

All persons bearing a DIN are considered as **SWS** Drivers. An **SWS** competitor may be a Driver (***SPRINT CUP/ JUNIOR CUP***) and/or a Team (***ENDURANCE CUP***).

For a Team, **ALL** the Drivers part thereof must **IMPERATIVELY** and **PREVIOUSLY** obtain an individual DIN before the start of an **SWS** race.

To obtain a DIN, the competitor **MUST REGISTER** on the www.sodiwseries.com website (registration section).

Once the DIN is assigned it is valid for all the **SWS** certified races, for all the Categories proposed in compliance with the bases of these Regulations.

The DIN will allow the Driver to accumulate points for the various **SWS** Rankings for each **SWS** race in which he has participated.

Article 4.2: Special rules for the Team races

No Team may claim a ranking in two races ran simultaneously on two different PT. The composition of the Team can not be changed once entries are closed.

Each Team shall have a single, definitive name until 31 December 2012 (which shall follow the team, assuming it is qualified, through to the annual final). This Team name shall not, therefore, under any circumstances be hurtful, vulgar, constitute an offence or violate in any way the rights of a third party, cause offence to others or compromise public order. SODIKART reserves the right to require the Driver in charge to change his team's name IMMEDIATELY if it falls within the aforementioned situation definitions, failing which the team and all its drivers will be purely and simply struck off from **SWS** races without notice or possible discussion.

Article 4.3: Equipment

The PT may lend equipment to the Drivers (helmets, suits, etc.) as per their availability. Each PT may request the Drivers and Teams to use the safety equipment in accordance with the regulations applicable in the country of the PT. The Drivers and Teams are responsible for complying with these Regulations in order to participate in the concerned **SWS** races

5. ENTERING A RACE

Article 5.1: Entry to an SWS race

Once the Driver has a Driver Identification Number (Art. 4.1), the Driver or the Team can enter the races of their choice:

- ✓ Either on the www.sodiwseries.com website
- ✓ Or directly with the organising PT

Article 5.2: Entry fee

Entry fees will be paid directly to the organising PT according to the methods specific to each of the races. **Only the organising PT can determine the SWS race entry fee.**

Article 5.3: Validity of the entry

Entry is only confirmed once the administrative formalities have been completed. These formalities are completed on the date determined by the PT. During the administrative registration on the PT, participants must **individually**:

- ✓ Present proof of identity
- ✓ Communicate their DIN

6. RANKINGS

The organising PT is responsible for the ranking of each race organised and for entering the results directly on the www.sodiwseries.com website. The point allocation policy is determined based on the method specified in Annex 1 of these regulations.

Article 6.1: Ranking and Assignment of points for the SPRINT CUP category

For the *SPRINT CUP* category, the various Rankings are determined by accumulating the points scored by the Driver from the 1st of January to the 31st of December 2012.

On 31 December 2012, **the driver with the most points** wins the International Leisure Ranking for the *SPRINT CUP* Category. The *SPRINT CUP* ranking also includes 3 sub-rankings per Track, per Nation and International as well as intermediate sub-rankings allowing to reward a large number of Drivers (men, women, by age group), thus:

<u>PER TRACK</u>	<u>PER NATION</u>	<u>INTERNATIONAL</u>
- General Ranking	- General Ranking	- General Ranking
- Men's Ranking	- Men's Ranking	- Men's Ranking
- Women's Ranking	- Women's Ranking	- Women's Ranking
- Men's Ranking by Age group	- Men's Ranking by Age group	- Men's Ranking by Age group
- Women's Ranking by Age group	- Women's Ranking by Age group	- Women's Ranking by Age group

Ranking by age group features 3 age groups: the 15-25 years, 26-40 years and 40 years and over. The year of birth is taken into account for allocating participants into age groups.

In case of a tie on 31 December 2012, the Drivers will be ranked based on their number of victories. If there is still a tie, the Drivers will be ranked based on their number of second place rankings and so on until there is no longer a tie.

Article 6.2: Ranking and Assignment of points for the ENDURANCE CUP category

For the *ENDURANCE CUP* categories, the various Rankings are determined by accumulating the points scored by the Driver from the 1st of January to the 31st of December 2012.

On 31 December 2012, **the driver with the most points** wins the International Leisure Ranking for the *ENDURANCE CUP* Category.

In case of a tie on 31 December of each year, the winners will be the Team with the most victories. If there is still a tie the winner will be the team with the most second place rankings and so on until there is no longer a tie.

The *ENDURANCE CUP* ranking features 3 sub-rankings per Track, per Nation and International.

Article 6.3: Ranking and Assignment of points for the JUNIOR CUP category

For the **JUNIOR CUP** category, the various Rankings are determined by accumulating the points earned by the Driver from the 1st of January to the 31st of December 2012.

On 31 December 2012, **the driver with the most points** wins the International Ranking for the **JUNIOR CUP** Category.

Each PT is free to determine the age limit for the competitors, this age group is 7 to 14 years, for the **JUNIOR CUP** races.

In case of a tie on 31 December of each year, the Drivers will be ranked based on their number of victories. If there is still a tie, the Drivers will be ranked based on their number of second place rankings and so on until there is no longer a tie.

The **JUNIOR CUP** ranking features 3 sub-rankings per Track, per Nation and International.

7. SELECTION FOR THE GRAND FINAL

For all the **SWS** races, the various Rankings are finalized on 31 December 2012 at midnight (French time).

Article 7.1: SPRINT CUP

For the **SPRINT CUP**, category the International Leisure Ranking allows the Drivers having scored the most points in each international sub-ranking to qualify for the **SWS INTERNATIONAL FINAL**. A national selection will also be made **to qualify the best competitors from each country**.

In this category the following competitors will be qualified for the **SWSINTERNATIONAL FINAL**:

- ✓ **The 15 first international competitors in the men's category and the 5 first international competitors in the women's category** (= 20 Drivers)
- ✓ **And the 6 first international competitors per age group.**
- ✓ **And the first national competitors from each country represented** within a global limit of 40 Drivers.

Thus a maximum total of 66 different Drivers directly qualified

Article 7.2: ENDURANCE CUP

In this category the following competitors will be qualified for the **SWSINTERNATIONAL FINAL**:

- ✓ **The 10 first international teams.**
- ✓ **And the first team of each country represented** within a global limit of 15 teams. (Selection made as a function of the total number of points).

Thus a maximum total of 25 different teams directly qualified

Important: the Team leader will be responsible for selecting two (minimum) to three (maximum) Drivers to represent the Team qualified for the **SWS**International Final. **In order to participate in the S WSInternational Final, the drivers nominated shall have participated in at least 3 SWS *ENDURANCE* races in the Team concerned.**

Article 7.3: JUNIOR CUP

In this category the following competitors will be qualified for the **SWS INTERNATIONAL FINAL**:

- ✓ **The 7 first competitors of the international ranking.**
- ✓ **And the 3 first competitors of the Women's international ranking.**
- ✓ **And the first national competitors for each country** within a global limit of 10 Drivers.

Thus a maximum total of 20 different Drivers directly qualified

Article 7.4: WILD CARD

SODIKART reserves the possibility, without obligation, to assign additional "WILD CARDS" (= rankings offered freely by Sodikart) to certain Drivers or Teams which will allow them to participate in the International Final.

Note: For all the Categories, Sodikart will broadcast the definitive admission conditions for the International Final at the latest the 1st of July 2012 via the www.sodiwseries.com website. These conditions can also supersede the above mentioned information (articles 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3).

8. SWS INTERNATIONAL FINAL

The **SWS INTERNATIONAL FINAL** will gather the best **SPRINT** / **JUNIOR** Drivers and the best **ENDURANCE** Teams ranked on 31 December 2012 over two days. It will take place over the second half of 2013 on a track yet to be determined.

Article 8.1: "Type" schedule (not contractual)

- **SPRINT** / **JUNIOR** Drivers: Free practice, Timed heats, Qualifying heats, Finals, Podium and Awards Ceremony.
- **ENDURANCE** Teams: Free practice, Timed heats, Endurance Race (format to be determined), Podium and Awards Ceremony

Article 8.2: Participation Fee

For Drivers and Teams qualified for the International Final, a **PARTICIPATION FEE** including the following International Final services will be requested

- ✓ Provisioning of the Karts for all the races
- ✓ Catering services on the track during the two days of racing (breakfast and lunch).
- ✓ The Closing Ceremony (Dinner, podium, awards ceremony)

The amount of the Participation Fee for the 2012/2013 International Grand Final will be determined on the 1st of November 2012 and communicated to the PT, then directly to all the qualified Drivers and Teams.

*Note: for information, the participation fee for the International Grand Final organised in 2012 (= 2011 SWS Ranking) was set at 750 euros per Driver, for the **SPRINT CUP** Drivers and 1,200 euros per Team for the **ENDURANCE CUP** Teams.*

If a qualified Driver or Team can not or does not wish to participate in the **SWS** International Final , **the next Driver or Team in the same Ranking in its category** will automatically be selected.

9. DRIVER OBLIGATIONS

The **SWS** are LEISURE KART races, open to all competitors, for which **Drivers and Teams agree to conduct themselves according to the values of honesty, sportsmanship and mutual respect.** In this regard, it will be the responsibility of SODIKART and the Partner Tracks to refuse or exclude, at any time, any Driver or Team whose attitude may harm the spirit and image of the **SWS**.

10. IMAGE RIGHTS

The participants irrevocably surrender to SODIKART, and the Partner Tracks, **all the rights concerning the use of their images during their participations to an SWS event.** Images may be used on all media, photographs, press, television, video, Internet, DVD, film, report on the event and **without any financial or material consideration being granted to any person whatsoever without any limit in time.**

11. CHANGE AUTHORITY

To ensure continuous improvement of the organisation of the SWS, SODIKART reserves the right to modify these Regulations without prior notice and at any time, without giving the right to Drivers, Teams and PT to contest the motive thereof. The modified Regulations will then be immediately uploaded on the **SWS** website. This version of the Regulations is version: V2012.1.

ANNEX: POINTS SCALE

The points scale has been created according to a logarithmic rule which principally takes into account the ranking in the race but also the number of participants (see below). The number of participants in a race is defined by the timed practice sessions.

The winner of each race (*SPRINT* / *ENDURANCE* / *JUNIOR*) will automatically score 1,000 points + the number of registered participants (e.g. the winner of a race featuring 30 competitors = 1,030 points for the 1st) within the MAXIMUM limit of 1,036 points.

The last to finish in each race (*SPRINT* / *ENDURANCE* / *JUNIOR*) will always score the number of points equivalent to the number of registered participants (e.g. 30 registered for timed practice sessions = 30 points for the participant finishing last in the race). For races including over 36 Drivers, the Drivers ranked 37th, 38th, etc will score 36 points.

Go to www.sodiwseries.com, "Points > Simulation" section, to calculate your own points quickly.

Example: Points scale for
15 participants
(**Sprint / Endurance /
Junior**)

Rank	Nbr of points
Rang	Nbre points
1	1015
2	759
3	609
4	503
5	421
6	353
7	296
8	247
9	204
10	165
11	130
12	97
13	68
14	40
15	15

Example: Points scale for
30 participants
(**Sprint / Endurance /
Junior**)

Rank	Nbr of points
Rang	Nbre points
1	1030
2	826
3	707
4	622
5	557
6	503
7	458
8	419
9	384
10	353
11	325
12	299
13	276
14	254
15	234
16	215
17	197
18	180
19	164
20	149
21	135
22	121
23	108
24	96
25	84
26	72
27	61
28	50
29	40
30	30