



WRKC Covid-19 Guidelines and Procedures

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General

Every member of WRKC should have thoroughly read these guidelines and procedures before arriving at track for the first time. The guidelines and procedures may be altered between race events. It will be the responsibility of the membership to stay up to date on any amendments, that may be published through an email newsletter or on the WRKC website.

All patrons entering Flamboro Speedway will be required to have masks/face coverings and hand sanitizer; gloves will be optional. WRKC will have hand sanitizer locations throughout the pits to promote hygiene. Masks and face coverings will not be required when teams are in their respective pit stalls, but will be required where physical distancing is be difficult including grid area, scale area, grandstands, etc.

To limit the number of people in the pits during a race day, WRKC requests that teams limit the number of members to 5 (1 driver and 4 crew members/spectators). If families have more than one driver, we request that the 4 crew members are shared between karts. All drivers and crew members shall sign the WRKC waiver.

The goal is to allow for physical distancing as some members may be vulnerable to Covid-19. We ask that our members respect one another and have a crew size that is important for each team. Some may require no additional help, while others may feel it is important to have extra members supporting their driver.

Pits

All team haulers will be separated by 10' (3m) minimum, or by parking at every other concrete pit pad. Pre-paid pit assignments will not be respected in 2020. Fees may be carried into 2021, or reimbursement may be negotiated with Flamboro Speedway.

Teams are requested to spread out throughout the pits, avoiding stalls that are restricted. Teams will be asked to remain in their respective pit stall as much as possible. All vehicles that do not transport karts must be parked outside the pit gate.

Teams will be requested to limit their social interactions with others and are encouraged to practice physical distancing. Options to practice physical distancing at-track include maximizing time spent in the team's respective pit stall, limiting the quantity of team members at high traffic areas (grid, scales, etc.) and maintaining 2m from others when spectating races. If a member must enter another teams pit stall (i.e. to help with kart maintenance), it is recommended that all members where face coverings and maintain 2m separation. Consent is required before individuals enter another team's pit stall as levels of concern may vary.



Registration, Transponders, Pre-Tech and Drivers Meeting

Through the entire registration process, maintaining physical distance is important and will be enforced. While children have registered in the past, if they cannot be trusted to maintain physical distancing the guardian must complete the registration process.

Registration

Registration will be completed at track, as normal. Registration will occur at the WRKC's container. The existing plastic shield will be used, and entrants are asked to maintain physical distance from the container while registering. Everyone who enters the Flamboro pits must sign the WRKC waiver form. For 2020, this will be an annual form, so drivers and crews will only have to sign once. It is recommended that all members complete a waiver form before their first race. The waiver form will be available on the WRKC website (www.wrkc.on.ca).

Transponders

Each entrant's transponder number will be provided to them, where they will be able to pick up their own transponder.

Pre-Tech

Pre-tech forms will be delivered to a designated location prior to the start of practice. There will be no pre-tech inspection by a WRKC official. Once practice starts, the pre-tech forms will be moved to a secure location.

Drivers Meeting

A drivers meeting will be conducted every week, either before or after practice at the discretion of the organizers. Drivers will be required to attend the meeting. Masks/face coverings and physical distancing will both be required. A parent or guardian may accompany children to ensure they are listening to the meeting and conforming to the health requirements. Other team members are asked to remain at their pit stall. The meeting will be announced over the P.A. System. The meeting location may differ week-to-week, and will be announced prior to commencement.

Grid, Scale and Kart Stand Areas

In the grid, scale and kart stand areas, it is requested that teams restrict access to the driver and one crew member. Mechanics and drivers should have face coverings at both the grid and scales. Teams should remain by their kart/stand and practice physical distancing. These areas will be outlined on a track map of the facility, and may be adjusted to optimize the race event.

Grid Area

The regular grid location will be used. The grid will be divided to allow for physical distancing between rows. Even starting positions will stage in the regular grid position, adjacent to the grandstands. Odd starting positions will stage to the left of the regular grid position. This will provide ~2m between the two rows.

There will be no pre-grid staging area. It is recommended that all members wait until their class is on grid before gathering and staging. This will prevent excessive crowding. If teams must arrive early (i.e. back-to-back races), please wait in an area that will not hinder traffic flow.





Scale Area

A new procedure for track exit and scaling will be implemented. Karts will exit the track at stock-car turn 4 (Southeast corner of speedway), and safely proceed to the scale area at a reasonable pace. After each session, drivers will receive the checkered flag, slow down through turn 1 and 2, and exit through the designated area in turn 3 (TBD). There will not be a complete cool-down lap.

Karts will maintain a single line as they exit the track, remaining on the right side of the yellow dividing line. Drivers waiting to scale will be requested to keep space from the kart in front. When scaling, drivers should stand on the scale, opposite to the scale marshal. After scaling, the mechanic and driver (if possible) should lift their kart onto their stand and exit from the area immediately. Additional assistance is permitted if required. Drivers, crews, and spectators should refrain from any congratulations with physical contact between other teams.

Kart Stand Area

After karts are lowered onto the grid, kart stands must be placed in the corral in a manner that does not interfere with others. When the session is completed, the mechanic can move their kart stand and approach the scale area.

On-Track Staff

On-track staff must have masks/face coverings available and ready to use. Face coverings are not required if physical distancing can be achieved (i.e. corner marshals). If a staff member has to address a driver, they must use a face covering.

Drivers who are unable to complete a session and are on-track must keep their helmets on, as per WRKC Rule 7.3.III.

Medical

In an instance where a driver requires medical attention on-track, it is required that the driver does not remove their helmet until instructed to. At that point, the medical staff will provide the driver with a face covering while they preform their evaluation.

Parents or guardians will not be permitted to enter the track unless they are cleared by a board member or the race director. Anyone approaching the scene of an incident will be required to wear a face covering as physical distancing may not be practical.

If a driver requires further medical evaluation in the ambulance, no parent or guardian will be allowed inside irrespective of face coverings. It will be at the discretion of the race director if the parent or guardian will be allowed to wait outside of the ambulance in a safe location.

Podium

When accepting a trophy, the worker responsible for distributing trophies should place the individual award on a separate table. The recipient can pick up their own award once their name is called. This will promote physical distancing between the worker and member.

During the podium celebration, there should be no physical contact for congratulations or celebration. Fourth and fifth placed drivers will stand in front of the elevated platform. Second and third place drivers will stand on the podium in the fourth and fifth positions, respectively. The first-place driver will stand on the first position as normal.