

ROTAX RANKING EVENTS – SPORTING REGULATIONS SEASON 2023-24

REGULATIONS

The final text of these Sporting Regulations shall be the English version, which will be used, should any dispute arise as to their interpretation. Headings in this document are for ease of reference only and do not form part of the regulations.

1 – GENERAL:

Rotax Ranking events will be run in accordance with EMSO National Sporting Code, EMSO Code of Conduct, UAE RMC Technical Regulations, UAE RMC Sporting Regulations, the Supplementary Regulations of the Event and any further written instructions that the organisers may issue for the event by means of competitor Bulletins.

The latest version of the UAE RMC Technical Regulations will govern all technical matters while the latest version of the UAE RMC Sporting Regulations will apply to anything not specified in these regulations. **ANYTHING WHICH IS NOT EXPRESSLY ALLOWED IS FORBIDDEN.**

2 – INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE EVENTS:

2.1 ORGANISER

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2.2 – DATES / EVENTS:

SAT 23 SEP 2023	AL AIN RACEWAY	ROTAX INVITATIONAL
SUN 29 OCT 2023	AL AIN RACEWAY	MAX CLUB
SUN 17 DEC 2023 *	AL AIN RACEWAY	MAX CLUB
SAT 23 MAR 2024	AL AIN RACEWAY	MAX CLUB NIGHT

* DATE/VENUE PROVISIONAL AND COULD BE RESCHEDULED TO LATER IN THE SEASON

2.3 – PROVISIONAL INFORMATION OF EACH MEETING:

Additional information will be available in the Supplementary Regulations for each meeting. A detailed time schedule for each event will be issued in advance and displayed on the official Notice Board. Competitors may contact the circuits directly for specific information on Kart owner test session availability and pricing, although this will normally be released in advance of each event.

2.4 – ENTRIES

A correctly completed Entry submission should be received 7 days **before** the event date. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse entries submitted after this deadline. If accepted, late fees will apply. Maximum entries apply in all classes. Entry will be accepted in the order of receipt of the entries. Any entry not accompanied by the total fees shall be null and void.

FEES (prices include UAE VAT):

- AARKC Membership Fee is AED 525 – this is **optional**
- MEMBERS: Entry fee per event is AED 750 before the entry deadline (7 days before the event) and AED 850 after the deadline
- NON-MEMBERS: Entry fee per event is AED 950 before the entry deadline (7 days before the event) and AED 1050 after the deadline
- BULK PAYMENT DEAL: 20% discount when paying for all 4 events in advance (AED 2400 for members; AED 3040 for non-members)
- TRANSPONDER hire fee AED 105 per event (covering official practice and race day)
- RACE TYRES: Micro/Mini (and equivalent) AED 800; Junior/Senior/DD2 (and equivalent) AED 1050
- Official and non-official practice fees are not part of the event and are at the discretion of the host venue
- All payments are non-transferable and non-refundable

Payments should be made in full by cash, credit card or by direct transfer to:

A/C Name Al Ain Raceway
Bank Name Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank
Bank Address Al Bateen Branch, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Account No. 1-291975-2
IBAN # AE-13-050-0000 0000 12919752
BIC/Swift Code ABDIAEAD

2.5 – COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS:

Drivers must be in possession of a valid National or International Karting Competition Licence [issued either by EMSO or the ASN of another country] which must be submitted as part of the entry application and presented at event registration. Competitors with eLicenses should send a copy of the license to the above email address along with the completed Entry Form.

All competitors holding a licence issued outside UAE must gain "Start Permission" from their licence-issuing ASN.

If the Entrant is other than the driver then the entrant must hold a separate valid Entrant Licence issued by EMSO or the ASN of another country.

2.6 – EVENT FORMAT:

Each event will run according to the following format unless otherwise indicated in the Event Supplementary Regulations or by means of a Bulletin:

- Registration
- Scrutineering
- Driver's Briefing
- Practice/Qualifying
- Heat
- Pre-Final
- Final
- Award presentation

Please refer to the latest version of the UAE RMC Sporting Regulations for detailed information on the above

2.6.1 – Official Categories:

- ROTAX – Micro MAX / Mini MAX / Junior MAX / MAX / DD2 / DD2 Master *
- IAME – X30 Mini / X30 Junior / X30 Senior *
- KZ *

* Please note that for **the Rotax Invitational 2023** only Rotax categories will be permitted

The organisers may accept entry applications from additional categories at their sole discretion.

2.6.2 – Starters:

The maximum number of starters for each race will be set by the organisers, subject to the limits of the Circuit Licence. Should the number of drivers in any category be less than 10, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes or run alternative competitive or non-competitive track activities for the classes as appropriate.

2.7 – "ROTAX RANKING" POINTS:

ROTAX ranking points will be accrued by both members and non-members during the Heats, Pre-Finals and Finals in each ROTAX category at each event. To determine a final 2023-24 season ROTAX ranking value, organisers will aggregate the 9 top-ranking points performances of each competitor across the 4 events.

However, in line with best practice, any race in which a competitor receives a disqualification (zero ROTAX ranking points) must be included within the ranking total [at the expense of the lowest of the 9 top-ranking performances].

In the case that 2 or more drivers cannot be separated at the top of the ROTAX rankings after 4 events, 5 additional ROTAX ranking points will be retrospectively awarded to each driver achieving a 1st place in Finals (5 points per 1st place). If the ranking remains equal, 5 additional ROTAX ranking points will be added per 2nd place achieved in Finals. This process will continue until a competitor can be declared as the highest ranked in the category.

2.7.1 – ROTAX Ranking Points in Heats and Pre-Final:

1st place	30 points
2nd place	27 points
3rd place	25 points
4th place	24 points
5th place	23 points ...and so on down to the last place finisher.

2.7.2 – ROTAX Ranking Points in Finals:

1st place	40 points
2nd place	35 points
3rd place	32 points
4th place	30 points
5th place	29 points
6th place	28 points ...and so on down to the last place finisher.

2.8 – RACE PROCEDURES:

The following procedures are explained in detail in the latest version of the UAE RMC Sporting Regulations:

- Race starting procedures
- Race neutralisation
- Race suspension
- Race finishing procedures

3 – CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY:

Official categories are listed in Article 2.6.1 of these regulations. Specific age/weight limits and other relevant criteria for ROTAX classes are detailed in the latest version of the UAE RMC Sporting Regulations. Age/weight limits for X30 categories will mirror these (Mini MAX limits applicable to X30 Mini; Junior MAX limits applicable to X30 Junior; MAX limits applicable to X30 Senior; DD2 limits applicable to KZ) with the below exceptions for the minimum weight of kart + driver:

X30 Mini	110 kg
KZ	178 kg

4 – SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

4.1 – Race Tyres:

Information on type and quantity of race tyres can be found in the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations of each event. Tyres will be marked and scanned by the organisation and subject to technical checks throughout the event.

4.2 – Fuel/Oil:

Information on fuel/oil can be found in the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations of each event. Control fuel will be supplied unless otherwise specified.

4.3 Transponder:

Personal transponders [specific for karts] will be accepted if compatible with the event timing system. Alternatively, transponders may be rented or purchased from the organisation on a first-come-first-served basis, subject to availability. Information on transponder hire, purchase, fitting and usage can be found in the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations.

4.4 Recording Equipment:

Personal go pro cameras or similar recording devices are not permitted on race days. Competitors will normally be permitted to use these devices on practice days unless otherwise specified, but should ensure that they are mounted safely and securely on the kart, to the satisfaction of the Scrutineers (or Al Ain Raceway technical team in the absence of Scrutineers).

4.5 – Floor Mats:

The use of floor mats (or suitable equivalent floor covering) beneath karts when work is being carried out is mandatory throughout practice and race days. This prevents problematic, unsightly and costly tarnishing of paddock areas belonging to the host venue. The organisers reserve the right to eject from the paddock area any competitor who fails to observe this ruling and/or may insist that the offender purchase/hire appropriate floor protection if immediately available.

4.6 – Engine Running:

Engines may be run for a maximum of 5 seconds in a designated area adjacent to the Pre-Grid, for the sole purpose of confirming positive fuel flow, immediately after installation of a fuel tank (which has been under Parc Fermé control conditions) and prior to taking up the competitor's position on the Pre-Grid to participate in a session or race.

The starting up, running in, warming up or testing of kart engines in the Paddock (or outside of the aforementioned service areas) is prohibited. An official reprimand will be issued to first offenders with fines being applied to repeat offenders and further penalties against the competitor in the event of further breaches.

4.7 – Paddock Fees:

Paddock fees are applicable to all competitors/teams operating from the main paddock area during official practice and race days at all circuits. The nominal fee is AED 2.5 per m² and will be charged to all participants/teams occupying an area in excess of 25m². The charge is only applied once per race weekend (not per day). Any non-essential vehicles should be kept outside of the main paddock so as to avoid unnecessary space being occupied and consequential charges being levied.

5 – SUPPORTING REGULATIONS & TECHNICAL MATTERS

The latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations may be referred to for anything unspecified in these regulations.

For Rotax categories, the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Technical Regulations will apply at all events.

For X30 categories, the X30 UAE Technical Regulations 2023-24 Part 2 of 2 (engines) will apply at all events.

Additional technical matters are detailed in Article 5 of the the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations. These all apply, with the exception of the 'all engines equal' substitution scheme (Article 5.3) which will not apply to these events.

5.1 – Overflow Bottles:

The use of overflow bottles or catch cans for radiator and gearbox [breather] is mandatory.

5.2 – Sprocket Protectors:

Sprocket protectors are permitted but these should be plastic or nylon. On safety grounds the use of metal sprocket protectors is prohibited.

6 – SAFETY EQUIPMENT:

As per Article 6 of the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations.

7 – VENUE REQUIREMENTS:

It is absolutely forbidden to disrupt the paddock, car park or venue ground surfaces in any way by marking, drilling, staining etc. All competitors and team personnel should comply with instructions issued by representatives of the venue as well as the organisation.

Domestic pets are not permitted within the external perimeter of the host venue during live circuit operational hours.

Smoking is **not** permitted within the paddock area or the main building at any time. Attendees wishing to smoke should only do so in designated areas and should always show due consideration for the environment and the health of other venue users, especially children.

Please note that the circuit, pit lane, service parks and similar reserved areas are out of bounds to all personnel other than those expressly authorised to access them, and only then at restricted times.

In the event of suspected injury to a competitor, the Clerk of the Course or Race Director may elect to have a parent, guardian or team member of the driver(s) involved escorted to the scene. This will only be possible when racing has been suspended and all karts are stationary with rescue and service vehicles posing no further safety concern. No unauthorised person is permitted to enter the track at any time, and under any circumstances, without the express permission of the Clerk of the Course.

8 – CODE OF CONDUCT

All participants are required to read, understand and adhere to both (1) EMSO National Code of Conduct, and (2) the Code of Conduct detailed in Article 11 of the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations, which are closely aligned.

9 – GENERAL SAFETY, INCIDENTS & PENALTIES

Competitors should carefully review Articles 9 to 13 of the latest version of the UAE Rotax MAX Challenge Sporting Regulations which cover the following:

- Overtaking
- General safety
- Incidents
- Penalties

10 – PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Sporting matters – the decision of the Clerk of the Course or Race Director is final. Decisions are not subject to appeal.

Technical matters – the decision of the Chief Scrutineer is final. Decisions are not subject to appeal.

Protests will not be accepted.