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Procedures & Rules for Bucket Bike Practice & Racing on KartSport New Zealand Affiliated Club Circuits

1. Preamble

For many years Bucket Bikes have used kart tracks for practice and racing. The “dry hire” of circuits is common north of Taupo (e.g., EBOP, Tokoroa and formerly Mt Wellington), where this is cost and time effective. South of Taupo, where Bucket Bike numbers are lower, the trend has been to run in conjunction with kart Club Days (e.g., Taranaki, Wellington and Nelson). A number KartSport clubs are keen to foster Bucket Bike activity where this can be accommodated under their respective operating consents (including noise constraints) and within their event calendars and/or Club Day programs.

Considerable work has been undertaken by Bucket Racing NZ Inc (club affiliated with MNZ) and KartSport Wellington to develop a simple set of procedures and rules which satisfy each governing bodies’ requirements, especially as they relate to Health & Safety matters.

KartSport New Zealand (KSNZ) and Motorcycling New Zealand (MNZ) have agreed to implement the following procedures and rules for all Bucket Bike activity on KartSport New Zealand affiliated club Circuits with immediate effect.

2. Dry Hire of a Kart Circuit by MNZ Affiliated Club/Promoter

- 2.1 The Dry Hire of kart circuits for Bucket Bike activity can only be undertaken by clubs/promoters affiliated to MNZ. All commercial arrangements, track presentation (including safety provisions), first aid, track damage remediation, etc, remain the business of the two parties involved. It is recommended that a written agreement be established by the respective organisations involved. See Appendix 5.
- 2.2 Events must be run under the appropriate MNZ event permit and be under the control of the required MNZ officials. MNZ event officials are responsible for approving the track as suitable for Bucket Bike racing including signage, Flag Marshalls, etc. Competitors must compete using the appropriate MNZ Licence and safety apparel.
- 2.3 The MNZ Club/Promoter holding the event permit and all Bucket Bike competitors at the event must indemnify the host KartSport Club and KartSport New Zealand. See Appendices 1 & 2.
- 2.4 All Bucket Bikes & Sidecars must comply with MNZ rules [CHAPTER SIXTEEN – Miniature Road Racing \(Road\)](#), in particular Rule 16.8 “nylon track protection armour”, [APPENDIX L – Mini Supersport Regulations \(Road\)](#) and [CHAPTER TEN – Motorcycles Technical \(Road\)](#) Coolant Rule 10.5.f “Ethylene Glycol is banned from use in road race radiators”.

3. MNZ Affiliated Club Bucket Racing Combined with a KartSport Club Day

- 3.1 All commercial arrangements, track time, race format/programme, race fee, supply of Flag Marshalls, race control/results, track presentation (including safety provisions), first aid/ambulance, track damage remediation, etc, remain the business of the host KartSport Club and the MNZ club holding the event permit. It is recommended that a written agreement be established by the respective organisations involved. It is also recommended that the MNZ club appoints a liaison person who is the key contact with the respective host KartSport Club. (In the case of Wellington this person is currently a member of the KartSport Wellington Club Committee.)
- 3.2 The MNZ Club holding the event permit and all Bucket Bike competitors at the event must indemnify the host KartSport Club and its officials and KartSport New Zealand and its officials. See Appendices 3 & 4.
- 3.3 Events must be run under the appropriate MNZ event permit and be under the control of the required MNZ officials. A copy of the MNZ event Permit must be displayed alongside the KSNZ Club Day Permit on the official Notice Board. Competitors must compete using the appropriate MNZ Competition Licence and safety apparel. Currently a minimum of two appropriately qualified MNZ Officials must be in attendance and in control of all Bucket Bike activity including rider briefing, inspection of apparel and bike checks.
- 3.4 All Bucket Bikes & Sidecars must comply with MNZ rules [CHAPTER SIXTEEN – Miniature Road Racing \(Road\)](#), in particular Rule 16.8 “nylon track protection armour”, [APPENDIX L – Mini Supersport Regulations \(Road\)](#) and [CHAPTER TEN – Motorcycles Technical \(Road\)](#) Coolant Rule 10.5.f “Ethylene Glycol is banned from use in road race radiators”.
- 3.5 Signs and disclaimers required by MNZ rules must be displayed as per the current rules. For example MNZ Rule 6.6k: “A ‘Check Helmet Strap’ sign shall be displayed to competitors on the grid immediately prior to the start of every race or official practice. The sign will be properly sign written, black letters on yellow and be of a minimum size 60cm x 40cm or on a display on an electronic countdown board.”
- 3.6 The MNZ Chief Steward of the event must accompany the KartSport Chief Steward of the event on the pre-event daily track inspection, approve the facility for Bucket Bike activity and sign off the KartSport Daily Track Inspection Report. If the Track is not signed off as suitable for Bucket Bike activity the track will be closed for Bucket Bikes until such time the issue concerned is remedied.
- 3.7 Officials may hold dual KSNZ and MNZ accreditation providing they have been trained and appointed by the respective governing bodies. (This is already the case for some officials in Wellington.)

APPENDIX 1 – Dry Hire by MNZ Club/Promoter Indemnity

EVENT: **VENUE:**

KARTSPORT CLUB:..... **DATE(S):**

MNZ PERMIT #:

(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name) acknowledges and agrees to accept as a condition of this venue dry hire that the FIA-CIK; MotorSport New Zealand; KartSport New Zealand; *(legal name of KartSport Club)*; *(local council)*; all sponsors and all or any members, officials or assistants of any of the above named and or known organisations, or their respective servants, officials, representatives, or agents shall not be under any liability whatsoever for any death or bodily injury, loss or damage which may be sustained or incurred as a result of this venue dry hire, howsoever such death or bodily injury, loss or damage is caused not withstanding that such death, injury, loss or damage may have been contributed to or caused by the negligence of *(legal name of KartSport Club)* or KartSport New Zealand or any of their respective officials, servants, representatives or agents or by any other person.

(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name) declares that the event concerned will be run in accordance with the relevant Motorcycling New Zealand Regulations, Rules, Procedures and Supplementary Regulations/Rules.

(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name) declares that it has in place Public Liability Insurance via the Motorcycling New Zealand policy.

Signed by: **Date:**

On behalf of: *(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name)*

APPENDIX 2 – Dry Hire by MNZ Club/Promoter Competitor Indemnity

To be included in the Competitor Entry Form – [Click here](#)

APPENDIX 3 – MNZ Affiliated Club Bucket Racing Combined with a KartSport Club Day Indemnity

EVENT: **VENUE:**

KARTSPORT CLUB:..... **DATE(S):**

MNZ PERMIT #:

(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name) acknowledges and agrees to accept as a condition of participation within this Club Day that the FIA-CIK; MotorSport New Zealand; KartSport New Zealand; *(legal name of KartSport Club)*; *(local council)*; all sponsors and all or any members, officials or assistants of any of the above named and or known organisations, or their respective servants, officials, representatives, or agents shall not be under any liability whatsoever for any death or bodily injury, loss or damage which may be sustained or incurred as a result of this Club Day participation, howsoever such death or bodily injury, loss or damage is caused notwithstanding that such death, injury, loss or damage may have been contributed to or caused by the negligence of *(legal name of KartSport Club)* or KartSport New Zealand or any of their respective officials, servants, representatives or agents or by any other person.

(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name) declares that the Bucket Bike participation at the event concerned will be run in accordance with the relevant Motorcycling New Zealand Regulations, Rules, Procedures and Supplementary Regulations/Rules.

(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name) declares that it has in place Public Liability Insurance via the Motorcycling New Zealand policy.

Signed by: **Date:**

On behalf of: *(MNZ Club/Promoter legal name)*

APPENDIX 4 – MNZ Affiliated Club Bucket Racing Combined with a KartSport Club Day Competitor Indemnity

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APPENDIX 5 – Items to be considered in Dry Hire Agreement

- Hours of use (in respect of local noise constraints).
- Maximum noise volume/time bucket/measurement (in respect of local noise constraints).
- Provisions for damage to complex including track surface (bond?).
- View copy of MNZ event permit.
- Responsibility for clean-up and rubbish disposal.
- Use of timing system.
- Use of start lights/flags.
- Payment terms (flat fee and/or scaled based on entries).
- Provision of canteen.
- Provision of bar including licence.
- Provision of fire extinguishers.