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## **RULES of Polish Indoor Kart Championship 2022**

### **1\_The event :**

PIKC (Polish Indoor Kart Championship - [www.pikc.pl/en](http://www.pikc.pl/en) (English version of the website) is the only official KWC (Kart World Championship 4 stroke - [www.kartworldchampionship.com](http://www.kartworldchampionship.com)) qualifier event in Poland. The aim of the event is to select the fastest Polish indoor karting drivers (in four-stroke karts) in Senior category who will represent Poland at the Kart World Championships in 2023.

### **2\_Date and location :**

Date: 30.04-01.05.2022 (two day event)

The event will take place at the Silver Hotel & Gokart Center, Street: Rondo Herman Haken 1 , city: Szczecin, <http://www.silverhotel.pl/> E-mail to hotel: [rezerwacja@silverhotel.pl](mailto:rezerwacja@silverhotel.pl) GPS: N 53 ° 23 '33 " E 14 ° 30 ' 6"

### **3\_Awards :**

The top three drivers from the qualifying races, semi-finals and finals will be awarded custom made PIKC medals. The main prizes for the top five in the following categories: OPEN, MINI, JUNIOR and SENIOR will be cup trophies. The main prizes for the top five in the following subcategories MASTERS, TEAM, BABY, WOMEN, GIRLS and MINI-GIRLS will be awarded with statuettes. Awards for the OPEN category 1<sup>st</sup> place is a free entry to KWC 2023 + PIKC 2023 , 2<sup>nd</sup> place is a free entry to PIKC2023, 3<sup>rd</sup> place is also a free entry to PIKC2023, 4<sup>th</sup> place is also a 40% discount to start in PIKC2023 and 5<sup>th</sup> place is also a 40% discount to start in PIKC2023. Awards for the MINI, JUNIOR, MASTERS categories: 1st place (40% discount for the start in PIKC2023). Prizes can't be exchanged for cash and it is allowed to transfer a prize to another PIKC 2023 participant. Drivers are required to pay other costs of participation in the Karting World Championship.

### **4\_Schedule:**

**27.04-29.04.2022** (OFFICIAL TRAINING DAYS – more information on our website [www.pikc.pl](http://www.pikc.pl)) :

**30.04.2022 (Saturday) :**

06:40 - qualifying races ( round one ) direction X ;

10:46 - qualifying races ( round two ) direction Y ;

14:52 - qualifying races ( round three ) direction X ;

18:58 - qualifying races ( round four ) direction Y ;

## 01.05.2022 (Sunday) :

07:15 - qualifying races ( round five ) direction X ;

[TOP64 drivers qualifies to the semi-finals (category OPEN)]

11:30 - semi-final A direction Y ;

12:20 - semi-final B direction Y ;

13:10 - semi-final C direction Y ;

14:00 - semi-final D direction Y ;

15:20 - Super-Qualifications for Mini+Junior , direction Y ;

16:05 - FINAL (MINI category) TOP20 with the most points, direction Y ;

16:35 - FINAL (JUNIOR category) TOP16 with the most points, direction Y ;

17:10 - FINAL (SENIOR category) TOP16 with the most points after semifinal races, direction X ;

18:00 - FINAL (OPEN category) TOP16 with the most points after semifinal races, direction X ;

19:30 - decoration on the podium ( medals for final races + trophies + prizes ) ;

**Decoration on the podium immediately after a each race (medal ceremony and photo will be taken by a photographer, pictures will be posted). Driving direction (X / Y) will be drawn on the Saturday before the first race. The organizer can change the schedule at anytime.**

## 5\_ Description of races and scoring :

### **a) qualifying race ( OPEN/JUNIOR/MINI class ) ;**

- Qualifications ( two measured laps incl. one hotlap ) :

First lap is counted from the moment you go out of pits.

For races in normal / reverse, the first lap is measured from the moment you go out of pits. After leaving the pit-stop, the drivers will be stopped on the track during the first lap, the marshal will release the drivers in intervals, from then on, you should drive at racing pace and you can't stop (if you stop and let drivers pass you, it will start from the last position). On the third lap the drivers will be stopped on the track. Grid will be set in a single file with a rolling start. The first drivers with the poleposition, dictates the pace, he can't stop to zero, but may have the gas pressed on full throttle, possible warning or restart for a bad start and stepping back 2 positions at the start (the leading driver has to drive slower, he has the right to press full throttle after 2nd corner to the start/finish line).

- Qualifying race (15 laps) one pit-stop required

( flying start, race starts on a green flag ). Scoring (attachment nr 1) .

### **b) Semi-Finals TOP64 drivers promoted from the OPEN class :**

The TOP64 drivers in points (4 best results out of 5 races count so 1 worst result will be dropped) after the Qualifier Rounds will advance to the Semi-Finals and will be split into 4 groups of 16 karts on track. In a situation where there are drivers with the same number of points higher places will decide, and in the case that this drivers have the same positions, a random order will be established, only at this stage of the competition.

Drivers from place 1, 8, 9, 16, etc. - compete in the first Semi-Final (A);

Drivers from place 2, 7, 10, 15, etc - compete in the second Semi-Final (B);

Drivers from place 3, 6, 11, 14, etc - compete in the third Semi-Final (C);

Drivers from place 4, 5, 12, 13, etc - compete in the fourth Semi-Final (D);

- Qualifications (Super-qualification) – for rules see section 7

- Semi-Final race (18 laps) one pit-stop required

( flying start, race starts on a green flag ). Scoring (attachment nr 1).

### **c) Final race of OPEN/JUNIOR/MINI - TOP16 best drivers in points**

- Super-Qualifications is for category OPEN (for rules see section 7)

- TOP10 qualification if for cat. MINI & JUNIOR (TOP10 drivers in ranking from both categories will drive with one gokart one hotlap, the starting order for the qualification is from drivers from P10 and the last drivers will be P1. Gokarts for junior/mini final will be drawn).

- Final Race (23 laps) one pit-stop required ( flying start, race starts on a green flag ). Scoring (attachment nr 1) .

#### **d) Pit- Stop Procedure :**

During the Pit- Stop procedure the driver should adjust to the conditions (the pit surface has less grip). The driver is suppose to enter the pitlane which is closest to the start/finish line (the other pit lane will be closed). On the tv screen at the end of the pitlane counting upwards will start, the gokart number will appear next to the time. The driver should drive through the pitlane and arrive at the tv screen where he/she will see painted lines. The driver is not allowed to stop anywhere between the entry of the pitstop until the painted lines. The driver has to be in the pitstop for 20 seconds (if the driver leaves the pitstop before 20 seconds then he/she will get a penalty of an additional pitstop which will be shown by of the track marshalls, it means that you have to make one more correct pitstop). For moving/hitting the traffic cone on the entry or on the exit of the pitstop the driver will get a 5 second penalty. During the qualifying races, semi-finals and finals each driver is required to make one pitstop. While exiting the pit-stop the driver has to consider the safety of other drivers by observing the drivers who are on the track and cannot cross the exit line (the driver who is exciting the pit-stop doesn't have the right of way). Pit-stop is allowed on the first lap. Someone from the track crew will show a sign-board (LAST LAP – PITSTOP) or other system like TV screen informing that the pitstop is closing, when a driver passes this sign-board it is the last chance for him to go to the pitstop.

### **6\_Conditions of participation in PIKC :**

- There are three main categories with following weight limits: **OPEN 90 kg , JUNIOR 75 kg and MINI 60 kg :** ( Category OPEN includes subcategories SENIOR, MASTERS and WOMEN – born in/before 2010 ) ;
- The weight limit in the OPEN category is 90kg. Silver Gokart Center has 26 RIMO Karts and all of the are equipped to carry up to 30kg of provided weight on the kart. Very light drivers, will need to bring personal weights to make the 90kg. Heavy seat inserts, weight vests, and other weights are ok to use but will need to get checked for safety by track officials before getting OK for use. Track has weight blocks 2.5 kg - yellow / 5 kg - red / 10 kg - blue .
- The organizer or track does not provide inserts seats (rubber seat).
- The organizer has the right to weigh the drivers after each race and at any time of the event.
- A drivers whose weight will be from 0.01 kg to 1.00 kg less than the required weight limit in his category will be moved to the last place in the results of the race. If, on the other hand, the driver weight is lower than 1.01 kg to 4.99 kg, he will be disqualified from the race. If the weight is lower by more than 5 kg, such competitor will be disqualified from the entire competition and will not be entitled to a refund of the entry fee.
- In case of failure of the kart, a new kart will be provided as soon as possible ;
- Each participant is required to read the rules of the competition and videobriefing.
- It is forbidden to drive a gokart after drinking alcohol or taking drugs during the competition. The driver also need to appear at the start in a state of sobriety that does not raise any doubts.
- In the event PIKC 2022 participants will be assigned to the following categories & subcategories:
  - **SENIOR (born in/before 2010 only applies to drivers from Poland)**
  - **MASTERS (born in/before 1982 refers to all drivers)** to create subcategory must submit a minimum of 10drivers
  - **MASTERS+ (born in/before 1972 refers to all drivers)** to create subcategory must submit a minimum of 10drivers
  - **JUNIOR (born in/between 2005–2014 refers to all drivers)** to create category must submit a minimum of 20drivers
  - **MINI (born in/between 2008–2014 refers to all drivers)** to create category must submit a minimum of 20drivers
  - **BABY (born in/between 2011–2014 refers to all drivers)** to create category must submit a min. of 5drivers
  - **WOMEN (born in/before 2010 refers to all drivers)** to create subcategory must submit a minimum of 10drivers
  - **GIRLS (born in/between 2005–2014 refers to all drivers)** to create category must submit a min. of 5drivers
  - **MINI-GIRLS (born in/between 2008–2014 refers to all drivers)** to create category must submit a min. of 5drivers
  - **TEAM** (team classification), only for drivers from OPEN category, one team may consist of a maximum of 3 drivers. we are counting all points with the final (the same driver can't represent more than one team).

### **7\_Entry, Payment, Additional Information:**

- 4 best results out of 5 races count so 1 worst result will be dropped after the Qualifier Rounds.

- it is only allowed to change the gokart before qualifications if there is a visible problem with the gokart (for example there is no pressure in the tires etc.). It is possible to change the gokart after qualification if there is a visible problem with the gokart.
- the winner is the driver with the highest number of points, for the general classification: The four best results from the qualifying races + semi-final race results + final race result + bonus points for qualifying + points for fastest laps. (with the same number of points, the driver with higher positions will be ranked higher, if the drivers have the same positions, higher positions will be decided in direct competition between them);
- during the qualification, if your gokart brakes and you don't have a timed lap, you will get a new gokart, and start from the last position
- super-qualifying (also called Match race) – in this system 16 drivers will compete in pairs (driver with most points in general standings will compete with a driver who has least points, second driver with best points will compete with second driver with least points etc.). All drivers get on the track and take part in the qualifications same as in qualifying races (2 laps including outlap). For example, after two laps drivers stop and change karts in the following way – the driver with best points in the general standings switches karts with the drivers with least points etc). After the next two laps in the switched karts the timing system will sum up the times of both drivers and the driver with lesser time will advance. In this way from 8 pairs we will get 4 pairs, then 2 pairs and in the end one pair. In each instance the driver who wins in the pair will decide which gokart he/she will take to the next challenge, the driver who lost will remain with the other gokart. Positions from 9 to 16 will be based on the general standings and then positions 5-8 and 3-4 in the same way.
- The marshals allow the competitors to start with Gopro type cameras that are securely mounted, while the films recorded during the competition by competitors or other persons, it will not be considered evidence for protests. Communication via electronic devices with a driver taking part in the race is strictly prohibited. In the first attempt to break the regulations, the penalty is a black flag, in the second attempt disqualification from the competition.
- After the end of each race, a reporter (a person responsible for translating penalties) will be next to the hotel reception for 5 minutes, he will explain what the penalties are for in a given race, he will not consider / explain the previous ones.

The number of places is limited therefore the “first come first served” rule is applied, the drivers will secure their place in the order of payment. We expect over 230 drivers.

- Entry form can be submitted online [www.pikc.pl/en](http://www.pikc.pl/en)
- Entry fee for **category OPEN is 200 euro, MINI is 190 euro and JUNIOR is 190 euro**, the bank transfer information will be provided by e-mail. The entry fee has to be paid (bank transfer). First-come, first-served policy.
- In case of cancellation of the driver registration, the fee may be returned until the 01/04/2022. After this date, refund of the entry fee will not be possible. Entry fee don't include any training session ;
- Please be advised that the drivers can buy training sessions without restriction at their own expense in the working hours of the track Silver Gokart Center at its availability.
- Drivers who want to stay at the Hotel Silver accommodation ( **link to hotel reservation is on our website** ) : the price of the room includes breakfast, wireless internet access , swimming pool and sauna in the hotel complex Blue Bay (reservation details using the SPA should be determined directly from the reception). Parking for a regular car is 6 euro per night.
- If you don't stay at Silver Hotel on 25.04-02.05.2022, but you want to buy breakfast (buffet style) it is possible to buy at Silver Hotel reception. Breakfast is served at the Ferrina restaurant.
- The organizer provides the right to cancel the event without giving a reason , but no later than 18 days before the start . In this case, the entry fee will be returned to the drivers in full no later than 14 days from the announcement of this fact.
- The above rules may be changed at any time , and the changes will be announced on the Facebook profile of PIKC or PIKC website or shown at the Silver Hotel reception.

**PARTNERS:** ([www.prokarting.pl](http://www.prokarting.pl)) / ([www.silverhotel.pl](http://www.silverhotel.pl)) / ([www.kartworldchampionship.com](http://www.kartworldchampionship.com))

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( attachment nr 1 )

## POINTS

Place	Qualifying Races	Semi-Final Race	Final Race
1	20	20	20
2	18	18	18
3	17	17	17
4	16	16	16
5	15	15	15
6	14	14	14
7	13	13	13
8	12	12	12
9	11	11	11
10	10	10	10
11	9	9	9
12	8	8	8
13	7	7	7
14	6	6	6
15	5	5	5
16	4	4	4
17	3	3	3
18	2	2	2
19	1	1	1
Pole-Position	Qualifying Races	Semi-Final Race	Final Race
1	1	3	3
2	0	2	2
3	0	1	1
4	0	1	1
Fastest Lap	Qualifying Races	Semi-Final Race	Final Race
1	1	1	1

### QUALIFICATION:

In case that two or more drivers achieve exactly the same lap time (to thousandth of a second) the driver who achieved the lap time first will be higher in the starting order.

### RACE:

For the same best lap time, the points will receive a driver who first reached the best time, and when the time were achieved on the same lap, two drivers will receive points.

## FLAGS & PENALTIES

It is obligatory to abide to the following flags at the gokart track:

**orange flag** – it is shown to a driver who's overtaking maneuver was deemed as illegal and it requires the driver to give back the position to the driver he/she overtook (there is 1 lap to do it); in a situation in which the punished driver will go to the pitstop without first giving back the position, he will be punished with an additional pitstop. If overtaken driver comes to the pits, the penalty is canceled.

**blue flag** – it is shown to a driver who is being doubled (it doesn't not apply during qualifications)

**yellow flag** – it requires the drivers to be careful on the track and it forbids from overtaking

**black flag** – the driver who receives the blag flag is required to go to the pitstop (middle lane/alley) and it will be the end of the race for that driver (this driver will be moved to the last place in the race where he/she receives a black flag and get zero points). All drivers in a given race with black flags, regardless of the order of penalties, receive 0 points). If the driver got points in this penalized race for poleposition or bestlap, they are added to his score of this race. It is possible to deduct such result (black flag) as the weakest result.

**red flag** - the driver has to immediatly slow down and the driver can not overtake. The marshalls will let the drivers know if they should stop on the track or if they should go the pitstop. After the red flag is shown the race will be restarted

**checkerboard flag** - the end of the race, you have to go to the pitstop (always go down the way to Normal direction of making pitstop) and wait for the marshal command when it will be possible to leave the kart,

PENALTY EXTRA PISTOP board – it means a penalty of an additional pitstop, you can do it whenever you want.

### PENALTY SYSTEM (what is PENALTY? Its: Warning or Orange Flag or Black Flag)

3 penalties in one race equals a black flag (it's not a disqualification), in this situation we write down 3 penalties in the penalties table, if the driver gets a black flag for just one situation (for example for overtaking in the yellow flag area) we will write down just one penalty in the penalties table.

Penalties limit – (series 1+2) = max. 4, if the driver has 5 penalties he will take part in the race of series 3 but he/she will drive from the last place no matter the time he/she has in the qualification (after 3 races the penalties are canceled)

After race 3 there is the same rule as above. After 4 races the penalties are canceled.

Disqualification means the last place in the race (the competitor receives 0 points), it is not counted as the best result (it will not be deducted/dropped). Points for pole-position and best lap are not counted in disqualification (the next competitor with the second best times also does not receive any points). It is usually given for unsportsmanlike conduct.

Unsportsmanlike conduct (marshal interpretation), penalties for such behavior : warning which is written as a penalty or exclusion from the next race or disqualification.

Occurrences on the track	Penalties
Pushing without advantage	Warning
Bad "non -violent" overtaking	Orange flag
Bad "violent" overtaking	Black flag
Overtaking during the formation lap after green flag but before passing start/finish line	Extra pit-stop
Overtaking during yellow flag	Black flag
Not respecting the orange flag	Black flag
Not respecting the blue flag within 3 corners	Warning
Not respecting the blue flag	Black flag
Not respecting the black flag after 1 lap	DSQ from race
Volunteering crashing a kart	DSQ from event

<b>Occurrences in the pit-stop</b>	<b>Penalties</b>
hitting/moving the traffic cone in the pitstop even though the pitstop procedure was correct	5 seconds
crossing the exit line with two wheels	5 seconds
not executing a pit stop or the right amount of pit stops	Black flag

The driver on the track always has priority (applies to situation when someone is leaving the pit-stop, in the exit line area).

<b>Other occurrences</b>	<b>Penalties</b>
Manipulating/touching the gokart (for the first time in the race)	Warning
Manipulating/touching the gokart (for the second time in the race)	DSQ from the race
Not taking out the weight or other object from the pitstop/kart / not putting the used weights back in the weights area	Warning
Being late to the race where all the other drivers are ready for more than a couple of minutes and the qualifications have started	Start from the position
Very visibly blocking/holding off other drivers on the start in order to give advantage to the driver/drivers in front	DSQ and restart
During the super-qualification, the driver drives on the dirty part of the track on his outlap (if the driver gets extra points for the super-qualification the driver keeps those points)	Start from the last position
Aggressive behavior of the driver, family of the driver or people associated with the driver towards other drivers / race directors / marshals and people who are associated with the event or non-compliance with the COVID-19 rules announced by the organizer (the scope of the penalty will be interpreted by the marshal team)	Minimum penalty is warning , maximum penalty is disqualification from the event
Being in the zone inaccessible to competitors and the audience during qualifying or the race (if you are a parent, coach or other person related to a competitor, the competitor will be punished, if it is impossible to determine which competitor, then this person will be prohibited from helping any competitor in the pitstop)	Minimum penalty is warning , maximum penalty is disqualification from the event

In the final, the suit is obligatory (if you don't wear it, there is a penalty of 4 points for the OPEN category and 2 points for the MINI / JUNIOR category). The organizer has about 5 suits in different sizes that he can be rented for free for the final race.

Marshals can take a different decision or choose or impose a different penalty in the event of disputes or not covered by the regulations. The race director makes the final decision.