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2023 FAB-Racing Minibike British Championship General Rules & Regulations

ENTRY COSTS

REGISTRATION to the 2023 FAB-Racing Minibike British Championship race series will be by making an entry to the Rd.1 / 2 event at Lydd Kart Circuit in Kent @ £170. Riders registered in 2022 will be given 3 weeks grace over new entries to keep their existing race number where possible. Registered riders Entry Fee for all other 2 day Championship Rounds will then be £140 (plus £55 for any additional class entered), and for Sidecars £160.

The Entry Fee for the 2 day Championship Rounds for riders that did not enter Rd.1 / 2 (ie not registered) will be £155 (plus £60 for an additional class), and Sidecars £180. Late entries (after 4pm on the Wednesday before an event) will incur an additional £10 over the prices listed above and subject to places being available in the class.

Entries should be made online: Click on the "ENTRIES" tab on the Home Page of www.fab-racing.co.uk.

On the day entry will only be accepted if there is sufficient space on the grid. Payment can only be accepted in cash and the £10 late entry fee will be added. This will mean Registered riders will pay £150, non registered riders £165, and sidecars £190.

At most or all events there will be optional Friday Practice sessioned by class. This will normally be scheduled from 10am to 5pm depending on the circuit and will cost £50 for 1 class, an additional class for the same rider will be £20. Some classes may run together at these sessions. This Friday Practice will only be available to riders entered in the event unless previously agreed.

FAB-Racing reserves the right to cancel a meeting or amend classes at any meeting for safety reasons or other circumstance(s) beyond its control either before or during an event. It would always endeavour to continue the meeting if possible.

RIDERS (PLUS THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN FOR RIDERS UNDER 18) MUST READ, UNDERSTAND, AGREE TO, AND COMPLETE THE ONLINE 2023 "DECLARATION & AGREEMENT" BEFORE COMMENCING ANY FAB-Racing EVENT. There is a link to the form from the "DECLARATION" button on the homepage of the website www.fab-racing.co.uk. If you are not able to agree to any part of the Declaration and Agreement then you must not participate in any FAB-Racing event or events.

RACE CALENDAR

The **2023 Minibike British Championships** will be run over a planned 8 rounds from April to October. The race calendar can be found on the www.fab-racing.co.uk website and clicking the "RACE DATES" button. Each round will normally run as Practice, 2 Qualifiers, and 3 Races for each class over the 2 days. There is the possibility of 1 or more non Championship events for specific classes. Riders will earn points for each race on the following scale: 25,20,16,13,11,10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 for each race.

AWARDS

First to third placed riders in each race will receive a medal, and first to third overall class winners a trophy. Any points tie at an event, or for an overall Championship, is automatically resolved by the MyLaps computer programme. First to third placed riders in the overall British Championship in each class will receive trophies. N.B There must be more than 6 competitors in any one class for these conditions to apply.

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TIMING

Competitors are strongly advised to have their own transponders. These can be any MyLaps or AMB transponder, except Motocross versions. For more information click the "TRANSPONDERS" button at www.fab-racing.co.uk. Transponders will be available to hire at meetings, but having your own transponder for the full season will cost you no more than hiring on 4 occasions. It also makes your, and our, life much easier!!

You must use the holder and mount the transponder on the machine in a suitable position (if you are unsure about that please ask) so that it is secure and facing down towards the track.

It is the riders responsibility to ensure that the times are appearing on live timing (Speedhive) or the result sheets and report immediately if there is any problem. Timekeeping requires concentration and enquiries should be restricted to only those that are completely necessary. **If a rider starts a race or qualifier with no transponder fitted it will not be possible to include them in the results.**

N.B. Any rider deemed to have gained an advantage by jump starting, cutting through a section of race track, or to have taken unfair advantage in any other way will be penalised with a minimum 5 second penalty that will be applied during a race, or on completion of a race.

CONDUCT

FAB-Racing will operate a zero tolerance policy. We expect all who attend to behave in a responsible and considerate manner both on and off the circuit.

No foul language or abusive behaviour to be aimed at staff, organisers, officials, riders or their representatives for whatever the reason.

Any person caught damaging or harming the track, its facilities, or associated facilities, etc before, during, or after the event will be asked to leave and points taken away. We hope that it will never be necessary to take this action. It is the responsibility of all to ensure venue owners are happy to have these Championships back at their circuits again.

PADDOCK & PIT AREA

MACHINES MUST NOT BE RIDDEN IN THE PADDOCK, they must be pushed to and from the holding area, with engines running if required. Ignoring this regulation cannot be tolerated and could lead to exclusion from the meeting and points taken away. The Circuit Owners are now more and more aware of this and we need to keep in line with their rules.

Work on a machine at ANY TIME must only be carried out in the Paddock or Pit area.

No smoking or naked flames within 10 metres of a bike that is being re-fuelled, which must only take place in the pit or paddock area. Engines must be stopped and ignitions switched off during refuelling.

The ONLY permitted means of moving around the paddock at any time during the event is on foot. Bicycles etc must not be used. At this time bicycles will be permitted to be used when the circuit is not "live". This does NOT INCLUDE ANY POWERED TYPES eg ELECTRIC. This will be kept under review, and at some circuits the owners are now banning them anyway.

Dogs are not permitted at FAB-Racing events, even if the circuit permits them. Please arrange for dogs to be cared for away from the circuit or at home.

Ball games of any sort, in any part of the circuit pit or paddock areas, are not permitted at any time that the circuit is "live", usually this will be between 8.45am and 6pm.

Children (including those riding at the event) must be supervised at all times. Unruly children are a risk to safety. If bad behaviour persists, and following a verbal warning, they and their parents will be asked to leave the circuit and will not be accepted at future events.

Junior riders, and their brothers and sisters should be back in their Motorhome / Caravan or etc NO later than 9.30pm.

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Paddock & Pit Area (Continued):

Generators are permitted - Their use must be restricted to between the hours of 7am to 10.45pm.

Circuit fencing and signs are there for safety reasons and must be observed.

No open fires allowed. Barbecues, **if permitted by the circuit**, must be raised off the ground and extinguished after use and not used at any time while the circuit is live.

Each paddock working area must have a **2kg (minimum) dry powder fire extinguisher** available for immediate use. Non compliance with this regulation will incur a penalty imposed by the organiser.

Everyone must ensure that their personal property is securely stored at ALL times. FAB-Racing and circuit owners cannot, and will not, accept liability or responsibility for damage to, or loss of, any items, machinery or vehicles.

Only the rider and one helper (minimum 16 years of age) are allowed in the holding area.

If possible a rider's left arm should be raised to indicate when touring or returning to the pits.

Please help to keep the venue tidy. There will be bins at every venue. If the bins are full let us know. TYRES, WASTE OIL, DAMAGED AWNINGS, AND ANY OTHER RUBBISH MUST NOT BE LEFT AT THE CIRCUIT AND MUST BE TAKEN AWAY TO BE DISPOSED OF.

EVENT PROCEDURE

ALL RIDERS MUST SIGN ON TO CONFIRM THEIR PRESENCE AT THE EVENT BEFORE TAKING PART.

For riders under 18 years of age this must be done together with or on their behalf by the Parent or Guardian.

ALL RIDERS AGED UNDER 16 must take their machine and all race clothing (helmet, leathers, boots, gloves, and back protector) for **Technical Inspection** before the start of official event practice. **Leathers and boots must be worn to aid inspection and to check fit.**

If a rider has a spare helmet, leathers, boots, or gloves these must be presented for inspection at the same time, a sticker will be applied to the machine to show that this has been completed.

ALL RIDERS AGED 16 OR OVER will be responsible for making sure their machines are correctly prepared for race competition and FULLY COMPLY with the technical regulations and that ALL of their race clothing is entirely suitable as per the regulations and in good condition. We will make random inspections over the period of the meeting. Any rider in this age category can opt to present themselves with their bike(s) and race clothing for inspection if they prefer for that to happen.

START PROCEDURE

Race starts will be engine running clutch starts either by a dropped flag or start lights. The start lights will be RED ON & RED OFF. Starting grid positions will be determined by qualifying times and will apply for all races.

Riders will leave the holding area and come directly to the grid. Dependant on the circuit configuration a sighting lap may be completed when indicated by the start line marshal. The procedure will be confirmed at riders briefing.

Riders will, when possible, be pre-gridded in the holding area, prior to their first race and should remember their grid positions for following races.

Any rider arriving more than 10 seconds after the last rider leaves the holding area on the sighting lap will be required to start from the back of the grid (where this is viable) or must start from the pit lane exit.

RIDERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO JOIN A RACE AFTER IT HAS STARTED.

General: A riders briefing will normally be held prior to the start of each race day. ALL riders must attend this briefing. Alternatively this may be an online briefing either sent out before the event or at the event.

N.B: ALL RIDERS MUST COMPLETE AT LEAST 6 (SIX) LAPS OF PRACTICE AND OR QUALIFYING BEFORE BEING ALLOWED TO RACE UNLESS GIVEN OFFICIAL DISPENSATION.

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RACE PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

Helmets must have the latest ACU gold sticker or marked to comply with ECE 22.05 (the Euro equivalent). The helmet and visor must be in good condition and undamaged. If more than one helmet could or will be used during the meeting both must comply with these conditions and must be presented for inspection & approval.

One-piece race leathers with body armour and back protector must be used for all Junior geared bike classes. A good quality Minimoto suit with back protector will be accepted for the Junior Minimoto classes. Senior riders must use one piece leathers. Full zip together race leathers and a back protector can be considered if pre approved.

Race boots are required for all geared bike classes and Minimoto boots for Minimoto classes, and good quality race gloves must be worn.

All Junior race clothing will be inspected and it is requested that riders present themselves wearing their leathers and boots as this speeds up inspection considerably. This does not absolve Parents / Guardians from being responsible for ensuring that Junior rider race protective clothing complies with the regulations **and is in good condition**. Random checks may be made during race weekends.

It is strongly recommended that all body piercing, studs, rings etc. are removed as these can be extremely hazardous in the event of an accident. The mouth should be kept clear of anything likely to cause a blockage of the airway in the event of an incident, e.g. chewing gum. **LONG HAIR MUST BE TUCKED INSIDE THE HELMET.**

ALL COMPETITORS (including Sidecar Passengers) SHOULD WEAR A NECK "DOG TAG" WITH THEIR NAME & DATE OF BIRTH WRITTEN OR ENGRAVED. These details permanently printed on strong material or leather and stitched into the leathers just below the collar line at the front would be an acceptable alternative.

MACHINE GENERAL REGULATIONS

A handlebar mounted "kill" switch must be fitted. The switch is to be located not more than 50mm from the normal hand location. An Official can ask you to demonstrate that the "Kill" switch can stop the engine at any time - If the "kill" switch does not function correctly, you will not be permitted onto the track.

The point at which the chain / drive belt engages with the rear sprocket / pulley at the lowest point must have a robust chain guard to prevent fingers or any other body part from being trapped. It is also recommended that the front sprocket / pulley should be fully enclosed.

All oil drain and filler plugs MUST be lock-wired.

Catch bottles / tanks must be fitted to the gearbox breather pipe, fuel tank breather pipe, carburetor overflow pipe(s), and the radiator overflow pipe (if applicable).

A close fitting metal catch tray must be fitted under the motor of all unfaired 4 strokes, its capacity must be 50% greater than the total lubricant content of the motor. Glass fibre or carbon fibre will be an accepted alternative for MotoTeam bikes, Sidecars, and other fully faired machines. Petrol tanks must have secure, spill proof filler caps.

Liquid cooled machines must use only water as a coolant - no additives are permitted.

Levers must be of the ball-ended type and must remain intact throughout the event.

Brake Lever Guards are a recommended fitment for all geared bike classes. This may be changed from a recommendation to a requirement, but suitable notice will be given.

Non metallic crash bobbins sufficient to prevent any part of a fallen machine (spindle ends, spindle nuts, etc.) that could damage the surface of a circuit **MUST** be fitted. Foot pegs must be nylon or nylon ended (sufficient not to be worn away during a race) and handlebar ends must have ally or nylon end protectors fitted, and if held on by screws or bolts, these must be recessed and not capable of coming into contact with the surface of the track.

Any projections, sharp corners or edges must be removed, protected or rounded off. There can be no exceptions, and non-compliance with these rules will lead to the machine not being allowed on to the circuit. Random checks may be carried out in the holding area prior to and after any race.

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MACHINE GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont:)

Only fuel obtained from a roadside fuel station is permitted. No race fuels, Av Gas, or Octane Boosters etc.

FRONT RACE NUMBERS ARE COMPULSORY AND MUST BE NOT LESS THAN 120MM HIGH. THESE NUMBERS MUST BE SINGLE COLOUR AND IN STRICT CONTRAST TO A SINGLE COLOUR BACKGROUND AND CLEARLY VISIBLE. You will be turned away at technical inspection if you do not comply.

SEE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS REGARDING NUMBERS FOR THE MK-MINIGP50 AND MK-MINIGP70 CLASSES.

Side number plates should be used where possible to aid timekeepers, commentators, spectators, and photographers. The font used must be able to be clearly read, nothing fancy.

EXHAUST NOISE LEVELS must not exceed 98db on a full throttle pass checked as per MSA Kart regulations at the circuit in use. If your machine does not comply with this limitation you cannot practice, qualify or race. Don't just think it complies, please make sure it complies. Well packed 2T silencers should have no problem with this level but 4T machines have been caught out, particularly Pit bikes, MotoTeam, and MiniF1 Sidecars.

FLAG RULES

GREEN: Safe to Race.

RED: Race Stopped. **IMMEDIATELY SLOW (with care)** & proceed at touring pace to a stop area as indicated. This will, where possible, be pointed out at riders briefing. The stop area may in certain circumstances be on circuit and as indicated by a circuit marshal.

Any rider or riders involved in a Red Flag incident, even if not the direct cause of the incident, are not permitted to take part in a re-started race or given a position or points if the race is declared as completed.

YELLOW (Stationary): Proceed with caution - **no overtaking until beyond the incident**. Riders not observing the caution or overtaking rule will be penalised.

YELLOW (Waved): Extreme caution. Be prepared to stop - **no overtaking until beyond the incident**. Riders not observing the caution or overtaking rule will be penalised.

BLACK: Mechanical / Riding Fault - Return to Pits and consult official.

YELLOW (With stripes): Caution, slippery surface - Ride accordingly.

YELLOW (With Black Cross): Start of Last Lap.

CHEQUERED: End of race - Return to Paddock or Park Fermē.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Competitors must not practice at a circuit (or a variation of that circuit) to be used for a FAB Racing Race event less than 7 days before that event. The start day of an event is to be taken as Friday. Competitors in breach of this regulation and competing at the event will lose any points gained.

FAB-Racing reserves the right to disqualify a competitor from competing in any further races at any meeting, and to disallow any points scored in any race, if their motorcycle contaminates the circuit through negligent or faulty machine preparation, and a race has to be stopped and/or racing is delayed.

It is never possible to cover every eventuality in general rules and regulations but the use of common sense and consideration for race and circuit officials and fellow competitors is really all that is required to keep everything running smoothly.

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INFRINGEMENT OF CLASS TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

Loss of all points for that event and any further infringement to loss of all points.

TRADING

Trading of any form is not allowed without prior permission from FAB-Racing. Cost will be £200 per 2 day event or £220 per 3 day event. Permission will be on the basis that no other trader has been authorised to trade products, or services, of the same or similar nature at the same event and there is sufficient space.

NOTE: Trading includes Rider Coaching, even if by any other name, and anyone taking payment (in any form) for that service (or any similar service) must inform the organiser that they are there, pay the trading fee, and present details of their public liability insurance covering those services. Even if no fee is being charged we still need to know of any rider coaches present at any time during an event.

FAB-Racing reserves the right to make changes at any time to General or Class Regulations if needed or necessary for any reason

BE SURE TO READ THE SEPARATE REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO YOUR CLASS(ES)



IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL NOTES

You are all required to read, understand and accept the Online Declaration and Agreement before you will be permitted to take part in any FAB-Racing event in 2023. Please make sure to do that, the link is from the DECLARATION button on the www.fab-racing.co.uk website.

Within that Declaration and Agreement you will notice in Section 3 the statement relating to alcohol and drugs. This is something we will be carefully monitoring and checking this year. We retain the right to ask a rider (or sidecar passenger) to take a breathalyzer test at any time during an event day. Failure of that test will mean exclusion from ALL of that day's events, practice, qualifying, or races. If you do consume alcohol in the evening you should take 10.30pm as the latest cut off point for consumption.

Use of any drug believed to be illegal will result in immediate exclusion from that event and ALL future events.