



**REGULATIONS FOR THE 2010
Sodi W series
INTERNATIONAL FINAL**

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I. GENERAL REGULATIONS

A/ GENERAL

In its role as a manufacturer and with the aim of developing the sport of Leisure Karting, SODIKART, in conjunction with the partner circuits, is organising the **SODI W SERIES** (hereafter known as the **SWS**).

The **SWS** International Final (programme of international leisure karting races) is open to all amateur drivers **worldwide aged 15 or over** (minimum of 15 y.o.a. during the current year). These races result in an **International Leisure Ranking** for all participants.

The Sodi W Series International Final is reserved for drivers who have been duly selected by the organizers of the SWS. In all, 85 drivers will participate.

All competitors must have a personal SWS ID N° (driver identifier) and, consequently, be registered on the internet site: www.sodiwseries.com

B/ ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

All the administrative checks (registration, equipment etc.) will be carried out before the start of the races.

C/ TECHNICAL CHECKS

All the technical checks will be carried out before the start of the races. The chassis, engine, lead weights and driver's equipment will be checked in that order so as to ensure total fairness.

D/ ID - CARD

All participants in the International Final must be in possession of their ID-CARD, supplied at the time of administrative registration.

This card gives access to the various site infrastructures. Certain infrastructures will be accessible to you only if you are in possession of this card (drivers' rest area, access to pits etc.). Each driver is responsible for his/her ID-CARD, which will be required throughout the event. An ID-CARD will also be assigned to each person accompanying the driver (maximum of 2 per driver) at the time of administrative registration. In the event of loss, the organizers of the Sodi W Series International Final or the host circuit must be informed as soon as possible.

E/ TABLE OF POINTS SCORED DURING THE FINAL PHASES

A points system will be established in order to ensure maximum fairness within races and maximize each driver's chances.

Only points scored in the final will be included for the final and overall ranking, i.e. during the 3 finals. The driver who has scored the most points on completion of the 3 races will be declared SWS World Champion. In the event of a draw, the result of the Final of race 3 will decide which of the drivers concerned is the winner.

For the qualifying heat: a maximum of 30 drivers may start and the race will last for 18 minutes + 1 lap.

For the finals, a maximum of 30 drivers may start and the race will last for 18 minutes + 1 lap. The table below shows the points system that will be used during a standard final:

Ranking	Points	Ranking	Points	Ranking	Points	Ranking	Points	Ranking	Points	Ranking	Points
1st	100	16th	74	31st	59	46th	44	61st	29	76th	14
2nd	95	17th	73	32nd	58	47th	43	62nd	28	77th	13
3rd	90	18th	72	33rd	57	48th	42	63rd	27	78th	12
4th	87	19th	71	34th	56	49th	41	64th	26	79th	11
5th	85	20th	70	35th	55	50th	40	65th	25	80th	10
6th	84	21st	69	36th	54	51st	39	66th	24	81st	9
7th	83	22nd	68	37th	53	52nd	38	67th	23	82nd	8
8th	82	23rd	67	38th	52	53rd	37	68th	22	83rd	7
9th	81	24th	66	39th	51	54th	36	69th	21	84th	6
10th	80	25th	65	40th	50	55th	35	70th	20	85th	5
11st	79	26th	64	41st	49	56th	34	71st	19		
12nd	78	27th	63	42nd	48	57th	33	72nd	18		
13rd	77	28th	62	43rd	47	58th	32	73rd	17		
14th	76	29th	61	44th	46	59th	31	74th	16		
15th	75	30th	60	45th	45	60th	30	75th	15		

F/ QUALIFYING HEATS

The winner of each heat is the driver who has covered the race distance in the shortest time. All competitors who finish behind the winner are ranked according to the number of laps run. The heat ranking is determined according to the order of finishing of the drivers and the laps run.

In the event that a driver has a technical problem, he will be authorized to leave the track and must only stop in the area set aside for that purpose. Depending on the gravity and importance of the problem, only the mechanics may judge whether or not the driver can return to the track and thus complete the race.

H/ STARTING PROCEDURE

The starts of races in the Sodi W Series International Final are standing starts. Karts shall start from the starting grid. Competitors will have one "warm-up" lap and must stop their kart on the start line after the red flag has been displayed, engines must remain running.

In the event of a false start, the guilty driver will be informed during the race (the race will not be stopped) and will be given a 10-second penalty, to be added to his/her final time. If a driver cuts the track, a 10-second penalty will be added to his/her final time.

In the event that the race is stopped, the karts will be stopped on the start line and the race will be re-started for the number of laps remaining.

I/ BRIDGESTONE TYRES

The tyres used during the Sodi W Series International Final will be ITAKA tyres.

Art 1. Running of the SWS International Final

The Final takes the form of a single race in the SPRINT MASTER CUP version (using SODI type RX250 karts). It will take place over 3 days, from the Thursday to the Saturday.

Art 2. Regulations

The present regulations are specific to the Sodi W Series International Final. In this regard, no special rules may be applied without the SWS operator's approval.

Art 3. Participants

The SWS International Final is open to all qualified drivers aged 15 and over (aged at least 15 in the current year of the Sodi W Series International Final).

Art 4. Registration procedure

Registration for the SWS International Final will be effective when each qualified driver has validated his/her participation in writing, by forwarding the necessary documents within the laid down timescale.

The SWS International Final is open to all drivers who have qualified via the International ranking. The following are qualified:

- . The first 10 in the International STAR CUP Sprint ranking;
- . The first 15 in the International MASTER CUP Sprint ranking;
- . The first 20 teams* in the International STAR CUP Endurance ranking;
- . The first 25 teams* in the International MASTER CUP Endurance ranking;
- . 15 Wild Cards which Sodikart reserves the right to distribute.

** The team manager will provide SODIKART by 15 February 2010 with details of the name of the one driver who will represent the team in the SWS INTERNATIONAL Final.*

In the event that a driver does not participate, under no circumstances may he be replaced by another person of his choice. Only the SWS organizers are able to designate the new driver qualified for the SWS International Final.

Art 5. Changes to the regulations

Sodikart, the organizer of the SWS, reserves the right to modify or delete one or more articles herein and to apply them.

Art 6. Acceptance of the regulations

The fact of participating in the SWS International Final implies acceptance of all articles herein.

Sodikart reserves the right to refuse a driver who fails to apply the clauses herein or to exclude any driver who fails to conduct him/herself in a manner appropriate to the spirit of the SWS International Final. The driver is also responsible for the actions of the persons accompanying him/her during the event.

Art. 7: Driver's equipment

Each driver is free to use his/her own equipment throughout the event. However, the helmet and suit must be of an approved type. High-cut footwear must be worn and must cover the ankles. Gloves must be suitable for competition use.

For drivers who do not possess their own equipment, the organizer of the SWS and the host circuit undertake to supply the essential equipment needed to participate (except footwear).

Art. 8: Prize-giving ceremony

For all prize-giving ceremonies, competitors agree to wear their suit (or the suit loaned to them for the event) fully closed. They also agree to wear a cap on the podium bearing the Sodi W Series logo. Under no circumstances may any cap be worn on the podium other than those distributed by the organizers.

Art. 9: Advertising

All drivers authorize the organizers to use the photos of the races in the Sodi W Series International Final (photos including the driver's name and showing his/her face) for advertising and commercial purposes.

Art. 10: Advertising on the driver's equipment

Competitors may be asked to wear the race sponsor's badge (embroidered logo) in the event that it is supplied by the organizer.

Competitors may be asked to place the race sponsor's stickers (supplied by the organizer) on their kart, helmet and visor.

Competitors may be asked to remove advertisements (stickers etc.) of sponsors who are competitors of the race sponsor.

They may also be required to participate in various promotional activities during the prize-giving ceremony.

Art. 11: Flags used during races

The following flags may be used throughout the event: The checkered flag, yellow flag, green flag, red flag, white/black (penalty) flag and the blue flag. The use of these flags and their meanings will be explained during the driver briefing.

Art.12: Fuel and Starting Grid

These rules will apply for all tests and official races.

The fuel provided by the organizers for each race will be identical for all participants.

Only drivers (recognizable by a badge) are authorized on the starting grid.

II. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Art. 1: CHASSIS

Only SODIKART brand chassis are authorized for the Sodi W Series International Final.

Art. 2: BODYWORK

For the Sodi W Series International Final, participants undertake to leave the following surfaces of the bodywork of the kart assigned to them by random draw free of any advertising:

- The area on the front spoiler needed to affix the stickers of one of the organisation's partners.
- The area on the side pod needed to affix the stickers of one of the organisation's partners.

At the start of the event, each driver will be assigned a number plate containing a transponder. The driver will be responsible for his/her number. This plate will be the sole means of identifying each driver.

Before the start of each race, the driver shall fix his/her number plate to the front protection of the kart that he/she has drawn at random. In the event that the plate is lost on the track, the driver will be solely responsible.

Art. 3: ENGINE

The engines used on the RX 250 karts will be SA.250 engines

Art. 4: TYRES AND FUEL

Sodikart undertakes to ensure that there is total fairness in the distribution of the ITAKA brand tyres (wear, pressure etc.) that will be provided for this International Final. No modification, regrooving or tampering with tyres is permitted.

Slick tyres: *ITAKA*

Art 5. EQUIPMENT CONFIGURATION

The equipment used must remain strictly in its original configuration. In the event that the equipment's configuration is modified by the driver (or one of the accompanying persons), Sodikart reserves the right to punish the driver, up to and including exclusion from the event.

Art. 6: WEIGHT

Within the context of the International Final, the driver will be weighed on arrival at the host circuit at the time of his/her administrative registration. The minimum weight of a driver (without full suit and without helmet) is set at 70 kg.

In order to ensure fairness for all, weights will be balanced out. In order to do that, each driver will be allocated lead weights, for which he/she will be solely responsible throughout the event. These lead weights must be placed on the kart, in the weight box, for each run (official or unofficial).

Art. 7: ADVERTISING

In accepting these regulations, all drivers accept that SODIKART and its sponsors use the photos of one of the Sodi W Series International Final races (including the name and photos of drivers) for advertising, commercial and public relations purposes.

III. SPORTING REGULATIONS

A/ GENERAL

The organizers of the Sodi W Series International Final reserve the right, at any time, to include specifications concerning the regulations.

During the Sodi W Series International final, free practices, timed practices, qualifying heats, finals and consolation races will be organized.

Art. 1: ORGANIZATION

The Sodi W Series International Final is organized by the circuit chosen to organize the race, in collaboration with Sodikart and under the auspices of the Sodi W Series.

Art. 2: REGULATIONS

The present regulations are specific to the Sodi W Series International Final. In this regard, no other special rules may be applied without Sodikart's written approval.

Art.3: PARTICIPANTS

The Sodi W Series International Final races are open to all selected drivers. All drivers must present themselves at the start of races in accordance with the present regulations.

Art. 4: REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Sodi W Series International Final (at the Racing kart de Cormeilles/France track).

Qualified drivers will receive a registration form through the post, which they must complete and forward to the following address:

SODIKART
Finale Internationale des Sodi W Series
Parc d'Activités des Hauts de Couëron – BP 60 – 44220 COUERON
Tel.: 00332.40.38.26.20 – Fax: 00332.40.38.26.21

Registration forms will also be available from SWS approved tracks organizing races and at www.sodiwseries.com

The completed registration form must be received by SODIKART by 1 March 2010 at the latest.

Note:

The maximum number of participants for each race will be limited by the host circuit's capacity. The selection criteria for qualifying races and the International Final are specified in Article 4 of the General Regulations.

Art. 5: CHANGES TO REGULATIONS

Sodikart, the organizer of the Sodi W Series International Final reserves the right to modify or cancel one or more of the articles herein (general, technical and sporting regulations) for safety reasons.

B/ PROGRAMME for the SWS International Final (at the Racing kart de Cormeilles/France track).


Art. 1: Format

The event shall consist of races using the SPRINT format. All drivers will race in the same category. They shall arrive at the circuit on the Thursday in order to carry out all the administrative formalities. The format for the event will be as follows:



THURSDAY

- 1600 – 1900 Welcoming of drivers
- 2000 – 0000 “Welcome Party”

FRIDAY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 0800 – 1200 Free practices ▪ 1200 – 1220 Driver briefing 1330 – 1820 ▪ 1330 – 1340 Timed practice G1 ▪ 1350 – 1400 Timed practice G2 ▪ 1410 – 1420 Timed practice G3 ▪ 1430 – 1440 Timed practice G4 ▪ 1510 – 1530 Qualifying heat GA ▪ 1540 – 1600 Qualifying heat GB ▪ 1610 – 1630 Qualifying heat GC ▪ 1700 – 1720 Consolation race 2 ▪ 1730 – 1850 Consolation race 1 ▪ 1800 – 1820 Final Race 1 ▪ 1900 – 1930 End-of-day drinks |  | <p>1330 – 1820
Race 1</p> |
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SATURDAY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0800 – 1250 ▪ 0800 – 0810 Timed practice G1 ▪ 0820 – 0830 Timed practice G2 ▪ 0840 – 0850 Timed practice G3 ▪ 0900 – 0910 Timed practice G4 ▪ 0940 – 1000 Qualifying heat GA ▪ 1010 – 10H30 Qualifying heat GB ▪ 1040 – 11H00 Qualifying heat GC ▪ 1130 – 10H50 Consolation race 2 ▪ 1200 – 12H20 Consolation race 1 ▪ 1230 – 12H50 Final Race 2 1330 – 1820 ▪ 1330 – 1340 Timed practice G1 ▪ 1350 – 1400 Timed practice G2 ▪ 1410 – 1420 Timed practice G3 ▪ 1430 – 1440 Timed practice G4 ▪ 1510 – 1530 Qualifying heat GA ▪ 1540 – 1600 Qualifying heat GB ▪ 1610 – 1630 Qualifying heat GC ▪ 1635 – 1655 Presentation of drivers ▪ 1700 – 1720 Consolation race 2 ▪ 1730 – 1750 Consolation race 1 ▪ 1800 – 1820 Final Race 3 ▪ 1845 Podium ▪ 2030 “Prize Giving Party” |  | <p>0800 – 1250
Race 2</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1330 – 1340 Timed practice G1 ▪ 1350 – 1400 Timed practice G2 ▪ 1410 – 1420 Timed practice G3 ▪ 1430 – 1440 Timed practice G4 ▪ 1510 – 1530 Qualifying heat GA ▪ 1540 – 1600 Qualifying heat GB ▪ 1610 – 1630 Qualifying heat GC ▪ 1635 – 1655 Presentation of drivers ▪ 1700 – 1720 Consolation race 2 ▪ 1730 – 1750 Consolation race 1 ▪ 1800 – 1820 Final Race 3 ▪ 1845 Podium ▪ 2030 “Prize Giving Party” |  | <p>1330 – 1820
Race 3</p> |

The Races:

Each race, hereafter known as: Race 1, Race 2 and Race 3 will be conducted as follows:

- ✦ 10-minute timed practices (establishment of 4 groups: 21 drivers in the first 3 groups and 22 drivers in the last group) establishing a scratch ranking.
- ✦ Qualifying heat of 12 minutes + 1 lap (creation of 3 groups of 28 drivers in the first 2 groups and 29 drivers in the last group).

The groups are defined according to the results of the timed practices:

Group A: 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th etc. of the scratch ranking;

Group B: 2nd, 5th, 8th, 11th etc. of the scratch ranking;

Group C: 3rd, 6th, 9th, 12th etc. of the scratch ranking;

Results of timed practices	GROUPS
1st	GROUP A
2nd	GROUP B
3rd	GROUP C
4th	GROUP A
5th	GROUP B
6th	GROUP C
7th	GROUP A
8th	GROUP B
9th	GROUP C
10th	GROUP A
etc.	etc.

Each group will race a qualifying heat:

- . Group A heat
- . Group B heat
- . Group C heat

Selection of drivers qualifying directly for the main Final and drivers going to the Consolation Final:

- ✦ The first 10 from each group (A, B and C) will qualify for the main Final or a total of 30 pilots.
- ✦ The Consolation finals will be held in 2 parts: Consolation Final 1 and Consolation Final 2. The next 10 drivers from each heat (A, B and C), i.e. the 11th to 20th drivers, will qualify for Consolation final 1. The last 10 drivers from each heat (A, B and C), i.e. the 21st to the last driver, will qualify for consolation Final 2.

In the event of a draw, the stopwatch times will be used to separate drivers with the same number of points.

Free practice sessions:

At least 3 groups will be formed depending on the number of participants (numbers 1 to 30, 31 to 60 and 61 to the end). The free practice sessions will be held on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. All drivers will have the same amount of running time (10 minutes per session).

Timed practices:

The timed groups (4 groups in all) will be drawn at random. They will be run over one or two 10-minute sessions. Each group will include a maximum of 23 drivers. During each session, drivers will start at the moment of their choice. The time that counts will be that of the fastest lap recorded in the session or sessions. In the event of a draw, the 2nd fastest time will be the determining factor and so on in the event of a further draw. The timed practices will determine the drivers' position on the starting grid.

Qualifying heats:

For each group, the starting order for the qualifying heats is established by the result of the timed practices. Establishment of at least 3 groups depending on the number of participants. Each qualifying heat, defined according to the host circuit, will last for 12 minutes + 1 lap. The ranking on completion of the qualifying heats is determined by the order in which the drivers finish. In the event of a draw, the drivers will be separated by their timed practice ranking.

On completion of the heats, the first 10 drivers in each group (A, B and C) will reach the main Final, i.e. a total of 30 drivers.

The Consolation Finals will be run in two parts: Consolation Final 1 and Consolation Final 2. The next 10 from each heat (A, B and C), i.e. the 11th to the 20th driver, will reach Consolation Final 1. The last 10 from each heat (A, B and C), i.e. the 21st to the last driver, will go into consolation Final 2.

In the event of a draw, the drivers with equal points will be separated by their stop-watch times.

Final:

The starting grid positions for the final are defined according to the heat rankings. The final will last for 18 minutes + 1 lap. The starting grid positions will thus be as follows:

Pole position	Winner of Group A heat
2 nd	Winner of Group B heat
3 rd	Winner of Group C heat
4 th	2 nd from Group A heat
5 th	2 nd from Group B heat
6 th	2 nd from Group C heat
7 th	3 rd from Group A heat
Etc.	Etc.

Note:

The race timetable is defined according to the host circuit and the number of drivers. The organization reserves the right to modify the format of the race.

Art. 2: Karts

The karts used throughout the event will be RX250 karts.

Karts will be drawn at random and shall remain strictly in their original configuration.

The karts shall be identical and shall be fitted with new tyres (supplied by the organizer of the Sodi W Series International Final).

The decorative kit present on the bodywork of the karts shall be the official SODI W SERIES decorative kit.

Art. 3: Balancing of weights

A standard weight of 70kgs per driver shall be established. Each driver will be given lead make-weights which will be assigned to him throughout the event. These lead weights must be placed in the weight box on the left side pod of the RX250 for each run. After each run (other than free practice sessions), two persons will be responsible for checking that each driver has all his/her lead weights.

Balancing procedure:

- As part of arrival procedure, each driver is weighed on a set of scales.
- Depending on his/her weight, he/she is assigned lead weights.
- The lead weights will be numbered as follows: 1/3, 2/3 and 3/3 if the driver has to take 3 weights or 1/2 and 2/2 if the driver has to take 2 weights
- Before each run, the driver must pass through the lead weight storage area to collect his/her lead weights and install them on his/her kart. At the end of each session, the driver must leave the weights in the area provided for this purpose after being checked by an approved person. The driver is responsible (payment of a cash deposit) for the lead weights. They must be returned in their original condition at the end of each day.

Art. 4: Disqualification

All drivers who are the subject of a report, either Sporting or Technical, resulting in disqualification will be eliminated from the race (1, 2 or 3).

Art. 5: Podium Protocol

After the last final, the 3 drivers who have scored the most points in races 1, 2 and 3 shall make themselves available to Sodi W Series throughout the podium procedure. The winner will be declared the winner of the SWS International Final.

Through the ceremony, the drivers shall wear only their personal race suit (or that loaned to them throughout the event) fastened up and the Sodi W Series cap (supplied by the organizers of the International Final). Any driver who fails to comply with these provisions may lose his/her prize.

C/ PRIZES:

After the final, the 3 winning drivers will be awarded a prize by the organizer of the SWS International Final. In the event that a driver is unable to accept his/her prize, he/she shall under no circumstances be eligible to claim an alternative award.