

T4 Series Regional Ireland - Sporting Regulations 2023

1. **General Rules and Regulations**

- 1.1. T4 Mini, T4 Junior, T4 Senior, and T4 Senior 165 categories will be offered at T4 Series Regional calendar events.
- 1.2. Each category will be governed in accordance with their corresponding T4 Series Global Rules 2023 which are published on Tillotson website. <https://tillotson.ie/products/racing/t4-resources/>
 - T4 Mini Global Rules 2023
 - T4 Junior Global Rules 2023
 - T4 Senior Global Rules 2023

2. **Scrutiny and Technical Control**

- 2.1. To compete at race events all drivers must complete scrutiny safety checks and present their race equipment in accordance with Motorsport Ireland Karting safety specifications and T4 Series Global Rules 2023.
- 2.2. These standards will be monitored and upheld at race events in association with Motorsport Ireland Karting.
- 2.3. If the correct driver safety equipment is not presented or if the kart package isn't in line with regulations the driver will not be allowed to participate in the race.
- 2.4. The race organiser has the right to refuse entry to any driver who does not adhere to these regulations.

3. **Race Events**

- 3.1. The organising and running of race events are the sole responsibility of the event organiser.
- 3.2. Events are run in association with Motorsport Ireland Karting technical and safety guidelines.
- 3.3. Tillotson offer technical support, category rules and regulations, event format/structure guidelines, but are not involved with running the event or any other related activities on the day.
- 3.4. There are six (6) scheduled events on T4 Series Regional calendar:
 - RD1 – 05/03/23: Kiltorcan Raceway
 - RD2 – 16/04/23: Athboy Karting
 - RD3 – 21/05/23: Kiltorcan Raceway
 - RD4 – 25/06/23: Kiltorcan Raceway
 - RD5 – 23/07/23: Athboy Karting
 - RD6 – 20/07/23: Kiltorcan Raceway

4. **Event Structure**

- 4.1. Each event will be a one-day only, Sunday, race.
- 4.2. Practice is prohibited at the event track on the previous day. Any competitor who practices on the Saturday immediately prior to the race event day will be banned from entering the race.
- 4.3. Race events, all rounds, are scheduled to run to the same format. The format and structure is based on time per session/race as shown in 4.4 below.
- 4.4. T4 categories are scheduled to be offered the following track time at T4 Series Regional events:
 - T4 Mini:
 - 2 x Practice Session (7 Minutes each)
 - 2 x Heats (10 Minutes each)
 - 1 x Final (12 minutes)
 - T4 Junior:
 - 2 x Practice Session (7 Minutes each)
 - 2 x Heats (10 Minutes each)
 - 1 x Final (12 minutes)
 - T4 Senior/Senior 165:
 - 2 x Practice Session (7 Minutes each)
 - 2 x Heats (10 Minutes each)
 - 1 x Final (14 minutes)

- 4.5. Drivers starting positions for Heat races are determined by their fastest lap time from either Practice session. Novice drivers “Black Plates” are permitted to start from the position in which they qualify in Heats and Final.
- 4.6. Drivers grid position for finals are determined by their accumulated finishing positions from Heat 1 and Heat 2.
- 4.7. In the case of drivers heat finishing positions resulting in a tie then the fastest lap time from Practice will be the deciding factor for final grid positions.

Note: If there are any delays related to weather, accidents, or any other unforeseen circumstances the event organiser has the right to amend or change the event format/structure on the day. The event organiser also has the right to cancel the event based on any unforeseen circumstances. In such circumstances it is entirely at the event organisers discretion as to whether they issue a refund and if so whether it is a full or partial refund.

5. Tyre Regulations

- 5.1. Dry and Rain tyre options are listed for each category in T4 Global Rules 2023. These are the only tyre options permitted for use.
- 5.2. Dry tyres are limited for T4 Mini to three (3) total sets to be used over the 6 RD's. These will be monitored.
- 5.3. Dry tyres are limited for T4 Junior to five (5) total sets to be used over 6 RD's of T4 Regional and 3 RD's of T4 MI National events, nine (9) race events in total.
- 5.4. Dry tyres are limited for T4 Senior/Senior165 to five (5) total sets to be used over 6 RD's of T4 Regional and 3 RD's of T4 MI National events, nine (9) race events in total.
- 5.5. Dry tyres are limited for all categories to one (1) set only to be used at any given race event. These will be monitored. The 4 tyres scanned at scrutiny will be the only 4 tyres that can be used throughout the race day.
- 5.6. Drivers who use tyres outside of the rules stated in 5.1 through to 5.5 will be DQ from the race (Heat or Final). DQ results in a Final must be counted towards championship points.
- 5.7. Rain tyres are not scanned and there is no restriction to QTY used at race events.

6. T4 Regional Championship Points

- 6.1. Results are final as posted by the event organiser on the race day.
- 6.2. Championship points will be equally awarded for all six (6) rounds.
- 6.3. Points will be awarded to drivers final finishing positions only.
- 6.4. Drivers can count their highest scoring finals from five (5) rounds only.
- 6.5. In the case of a tie with final championship standings the result will be determined by the most 1st place final finishes of relevant drivers. In the case of another tie, it will be determined by most 2nd place final finishes of the relevant drivers. And so on...
- 6.6. Championship points will be awarded as follows:

1 st – 25pts	2 nd – 20pts	3 rd – 18pts	4 th – 16pts	5 th – 15pts	6 th – 14pts	7 th – 13pts	8 th – 12pts	9 th – 11pts	10 th – 10pts
11 th – 9pts	12 th – 8pts	13 th – 7pts	14 th – 6pts	15 th – 5pts	16 th – 4pts	17 th – 3pts	18 th – 2pts	19 th – 1pt	

7. T4 Regional Championship Prizes

- 7.1. T4 Mini, T4 Junior, T4 Senior, T4 Senior165 drivers will all be awarded trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, in their respective category based on final championship points standings.
- 7.2. T4 Regional events will count towards prizes of to T4 Nations Cup 2023. Prizes of discount vouchers will be awarded for entry to T4 Nations Cup 2023. For further details please see <https://tillotson.ie/products/racing/t4-series-ireland/>

8. Front Fairing Penalties

- 8.1. The use of a homologated front fairing and the homologated front fairing mounting kit is mandatory as from the qualifying heats until the final.
- 8.2. Correct installation of the "Front Fairing" (using the front fairing mounting kit) must be always in the correct position during a competition.
- 8.3. If the judge of fact reports that the front fairing on one or more karts was no longer in the correct position on the drivers return to parc ferme, in all situations a time penalty of 5 seconds will be imposed automatically on the driver(s) concerned. This time penalty is not susceptible to appeal.
- 8.4. When the Scrutineer/Judges of Fact send the reports regarding the incorrect position of the front fairing, the Stewards will automatically apply the decisions. The Entrants concerned shall not be invited to sign the decision documents.
- 8.5. Should a Driver or third party be found/proved to have intentionally replaced or attempted to fit a front fairing which is not installed correctly during the race, the last lap or after the "black and white checker flag" was waved this will lead to a disqualification from the competition.

9. Registration & Entry Fees

- 9.1. All drivers must register for their race number with Motorsport Ireland Karting to compete in T4 Series Regional race events.
- 9.2. Registration is possible through MI Karting website: <https://mikarting.org/>
- 9.3. Registration for all race event is offered through MI Karting event management system which can be done online or through the phone application: https://www.rotax-ems.com/anmeldung_select.php
- 9.4. Please find a useful video on how to register for MI Karting number and race events at <https://mikarting.org/how-to-videos/>
- 9.5. Race Number registration costs € 50.00 and is valid until 31/12/23. This fee also secures your race number for MI Karting National Championship. (T4 Junior & T4 Senior)
- 9.6. The MI Karting number allocation system is as follows for T4 Categories:
 - 9.6..1. T4 Mini: 601-699
 - 9.6..2. T4 Junior: 701-799
 - 9.6..3. T4 Senior: 801-899
- 9.7. Drivers must present their Motorsport Ireland Licence at race events to sign on. No licence no race.
- 9.8. Entry fee per race event is €120 euro per driver for T4 Mini, T4 Junior, T4 Senior, T4 Senior 165.

10. T4 Series Novice Drivers

- 10.1. From 01/01/23 any driver who has a first-time MI Karting licence is classified as a Novice Driver "Black Plate".
- 10.2. Novice drivers must run black plates with white numbers on their karts for at least five (5) race events.
- 10.3. On completion of five (5) qualifying race events a novice driver can move to Yellow plates, once approved by MI Karting registrar. Approval is not guaranteed and is results based.
- 10.4. T4 Series Regional events will not enforce Novice drivers to start from the back of the grid. As stated in regulations 4.5 and 4.6 above novice drivers start all races as per qualification position.
- 10.5. T4 Series National events for T4 Junior and T4 Senior categories will run under different novice driver regulations. Novice drivers at MI Karting National events must start heats from the back of the grid.

11. Event Supplementary Regulations

- 11.1. Prior to each T4 Series Regional race event the organiser will publish supplementary regulations.
- 11.2. These additional regulations are event specific. Items listed will be enforced along with these Sporting Regulations.

12. Driver Penalties & Results

- 12.1. All decisions and penalties applied to race results by the organiser are final.
- 12.2. Results as published on the day are final, unless material is sealed for inspection by MI Karting/Tillotson.
- 12.3. Any material sealed and found to be in breach of technical rules and regulations will result in DQ from the event. All decisions and penalties applied by MI Karting/Tillotson are final. DQ results in a Final must be counted towards championship points.