## Pre ARKS Test Checklist Guide

	Please ensure the following before your ARKS test	Check
	FOR ALL APPLICANTS:	
1.	Apply to MSA for ARKS starter Pack or purchase from school or club, read	
	and learn the notes and appropriate regulations	
2.	Complete Pink Application form and attach Passport sized photo (you will	
2	need three photographs)	
3.	Arrange Medical with Doctor (Drivers over 18 or unable to confirm all medical requirements)	
4.	Join a local MSA affiliated Kart Club (mandatory once licenced)	
5.	Choose a class that is supported locally	
6.	Practice regularly to achieve/surpass Target Laptime (within 10% of a	
0.	typical mid-grid time in the chosen class)	
7.	Ask/check kart has correct restrictor (for driver weight/age) and ballast for	
/.	class minimum weight	
8.	Book the ARKS test with a School or club ARKS Examiner	
9.	Test yourself on Flag signals and information in Training DVD	
10.	Use an approved Crash Helmet to meet current regulations, note all Cadets	
10.	and from 2013 all under 15 must use CMR2007	
11.	Use a CIK homologated Race Suit (MSA approved)	
12.	Have gloves to MSA regulations	
13.	Have boots that cover the ankles to MSA regulations	
14.	Attach Passport sized photo to License upgrade Card (bound into 'Blue	
14.	Book') & supply second photograph, name and Date of Birth on reverse.	
15.	PG Entrant licence (& photo for 2013) required if driver is under 18. The	
13.	application form should be in the pack or is on MSA website.	
16.	Bring your pack, fee and form to the test, introduce yourself to the	
10.	Instructor/Examiner and if required book in for the practice day.	
17.	Test day timetable: briefing and showing of the video with	
_,,	Instructor/Examiner present, on-track familiarisation, driving test observed,	
	written test and de-brief.	
18.	For under-18's, at races, if the parent/guardian holder of the PG Entrant	
	licence is not present, an official letter of authority is required from the	
	licenced entrant. (PG Entrant licence must still be presented.)	
19.	If under 18, you can race at first meeting by presenting licence application	
	forms and fees, endorsed as passed by ARKS. Leave with Race Secretary,	
	who will post to MSA for your licence.	
	FOR APPLICANT'S USING THEIR OWN KARTS	
20.	Ensure Kart meets current regulations & is fuelled for the test	
21.	Fully enclosed Chain Guard	
22.	Secondary Brake Cable	
23.	Brake disc Protector if disc below the chassis tube	
24.	Fit Black Novice Plates with White Numbers	
25.	Have set of wet tyres in case of rain	
26.	Approved Fire extinguisher(Scrutineers may check) minimum size 55B	
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## Flag Signals - an aid to learning

Flag	Message	Flag	Message
	Start (in absence of lights). For a rolling start, karts start at the moment the flag is raised. For a standing start, karts start at the moment the flag is dropped.		All clear, at the end of a danger area controlled by yellow flags. Also used to signal the start of a formation lap and shown at all posts during first lap of each practice session and during the formation lap.
	Stationary: Another competitor is following closely behind. Waved: Another competitor is trying to overtake.		End of Race or Practice.
	A service car or slow moving kart is on the circuit. The flag will be waved to indicate the sector of the track that the slow moving vehicle is in, and held stationary whilst the vehicle is in the next sector.		False start, slow down and reform the grid. Continue on another rolling lap, stay in formation at the speed set by the pole sitter at the front.
	Stationary: Danger, slow down sufficiently to ensure that full control of the vehicle can be retained. No overtaking. Waved: Great danger, slow down considerably. Be prepared to suddenly change from the projected racing line including stopping if necessary. No overtaking.	Flag - or coloured panel for the following three signals, with competitor's number	
	Slippery surface ahead		A warning, to the driver that his behaviour is suspect and that he may be black-flagged on further reports.
	Immediately cease driving at racing speed and proceed slowly, without overtaking, and with maximum caution to pits or start line obeying marshal's instructions, and being prepared to stop should the track be blocked.		Notification of apparent mechanical failure or of a fire which might not be obvious to the driver. The kart concerned must call at its pits for repairs on the next lap.
	Immediately slow down and form up behind the leader, no overtaking. Continue at a reduced pace, with no overtaking until a green flag is shown at the start finish line. The race leading kart must slow down to a steady pace (as on a rolling start lap).		The driver must stop at his pit within one lap of receiving the signal and report to the clerk of the course. A penalty of exclusion may be enforced.