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**2026 LIL RIVERSIDE SPEEDWAY
ROOKIE, DAREDEVILS, & MINI PRO KARTING RULES
(PRO RULES SEE BELOW)**

*Rules are subject to change, at anytime without advanced notice

Ages: 5-9 years old for Rookie, Daredevils and 10-13 for Mini Pro

*subject to change for the better of the driver and/or class

Chassis: racing chassis with cage

Engine: Clone with WKA purple restrictor plate

Flathead with WKA .500 blue restrictor plate

Animal with WKA purple restrictor plate

6/21/18 Animals are allowed to run WKA two-hole blue plate

Weight: minimum of 305 pounds

Clutch: open

Gears: 15 clutch gear with choice of 60, 61, 62 axle gear.

Tires: Hoosier A40. Right rear max circumference of 35". You must have Hoosier A40 tires. You will have only (1) race grace period to acquire some.

Fuel: Methanol, no additives

Oil: open, no additives

You can build your own motor

Engine and carb must remain stock appearing with any clutch

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Flywheel must remain OEM. For safety Clone can run aftermarket flywheel.

ROOKIES DAREDEVILS, & MINI PRO KARTING SAFETY RULES

- full-faced helmet with Snell 2000 or newer approval
- chin strap must be attached firmly
- visor must be closed when entering track, and not opened until off the track
- no tinted visors at night
- driver must be secured by a full SFI-rated 5-point harness
- any harness that appears to be deteriorated or damaged will not be allowed -HANS device or suitable neck restraint must be worn
- racing style suit or jacket/pants must be worn
- gloves must be worn that covers all fingers
- racing boots or racing shoes are highly recommended. Sneakers are frowned upon. Absolutely no open toed shoes or sandals.
- arm restraints must be attached to the kart and worn at all times
- leg straps are highly recommended
- elbow pad on the right arm must be worn at all times
- any driver with long hair must have it placed in a ponytail and tucked in
- no rear-view mirrors or radios allowed
- fire extinguisher must be out and present in pit area
- ****all sections of the "Champ Style" kart body need to be attached at all times, if a nose cone is damaged and is unable to be attached to the kart, the kart may not run without it -****oval body styles need to have an attachment in the front bumper area to keep feet inside the kart in case of a roll over. Appropriate materials would be an extra bar, Lexan, or netting. -****all drivers under the age of 18, will be required to run both a left and right-side headrest, it can be attached to the seat or the roll cage
- -**** if "Champ Style" body karts choose to run a metal front bumper, the bumper cannot extend past the tires.

ROOKIE,, DAREDEVILS, & MINI PRO KARTING INSPECTION CHECKLIST

- chassis welds with no visual cracking
- no excessive play in axles or bearings
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- inspect wheels and tires
- no excessive play in steering components
- body must be secured properly
- ballast weight double-nutted painted and painted white with kart number on them,
- complete brake inspection
- secured seat mountings and supports
- fuel lines inspected
- chain guard must cover chain when viewed from above
- all bolts must be double-nutted or drilled with a pin through it
- inspect fuel tank mounted securely,

**The kart will not enter the track until all these times are inspected and passed through the tech inspection.

ROOKIE, DAREDEVILS, MINI PRO KARTING GENERAL RULES

-any adult that shows any aggression towards a child kart driver or any one else will be escorted off the property and will not be allowed for two racing weeks. A second offense will result in being banned for the season. Track Management has discretion for full consequences. We promote a family friendly atmosphere. NO FOUL LANGUAGE. Kart and driver may lose points for race, suspension or full season banning could occur.

-any kart that pits will not be allowed back on the track under a green flag

-only one adult will be allowed in the tech area with the kart and driver

-only one vehicle per team will be allowed in the pit area with the kart team

-when lining up for a heat or feature, one adult must accompany the kart from the pit stall to the designated line up area

-heats and features will start on the start/finish line with waiving of the green flag. No passing until karts have crossed the start/finish line. The chief starter will attempt a rolling start for rookies, but may have to do a start from the stopped position and potentially a single wide start as needed.

-if you are part of a caution, even if innocent, you will restart from the rear as deemed necessary by kart officials directing you to do so. If you are accidentally chopped or spin to avoid, the officials will take that into consideration of the restart. At times, considering the age group, there may be an original restart as directed by kart officials. If you spin and keep going there will be no yellow flag unless it poses a dangerous situation.

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*-**** if a kart pits under yellow or if involved in an accident and needs to pit, once the track is cleaned of all debris, and the field is realigned, any karts in the pits will be given 5 laps to return to the track. As the field approaches the 5th time around, they will be given the one to go flags. As stated above, no kart shall enter the track under green flag conditions.*

*-**** the area near the scorers and flagman will be roped off, if a parent/adult or any team member crosses into the roped off area, to contest any calls made or to approach any officials, they will be asked to leave the premises for the day. A second offense will result in a season long ban. Any questions about on track calls need to be directed toward the program director when appropriate.*

*-**** Rookies and Daredevils, will be subject to division movement within the first four weeks of events as deemed necessary by the director of competition. This is designed to keep the program running in optimum and fair condition. Any driver moved to a different division will carry their points. Drivers will not be made to move after week 4 of competition. This rule will not be up to debate.*

-if you intentionally spin another kart while under caution you will be parked for the day and suffer all points earned

-one parent from each team must be designated to speak with a track official with any problems or concerns

-all engine swaps must be done in the tech area; if the engine is swapped after the heat race then the kart will start the feature in the rear. Tech must be notified or it will be an automatic disqualification.

-trophies for top 3 in the feature event for all classes

-Riverside Speedway photographer reserves the right to take pictures of the drivers/karts and sell those in souvenir booth

-heat race and feature lap counts are determined by kart count

--drivers must know what each flag means and will be asked before they start the season -

point system and handicapping system will be used in 2025 to determine starting position - draw will determine the first two races starting position and division determination.

SUBSTITUTE DRIVER POLICY Change. There is no more alternative/sub driver to accumulate points for the championship.

-no added weight in nerf bars, bumpers, or inside tubes

-numbers must be clearly visible to scorers

-number plate must be displayed on right hand side of the top of the cage

-Riverside Speedway follows WKA technical rules-

-No décor with tobacco if under the age of 18. No décor with alcohol if under the age of 21.

PRO KARTING RULES

Pro Rules

Same as Rookie, Daredevils, & Mini Pro safety, inspection, and general rules except:

-Ages 12+**if there are any “new or Rookie” kart drivers ages 12-15 that are not ready to be in the Pro class, they will be entered in the Mini Pro class as deemed necessary by the Director of Competition and/or Track Management. ** Ages 16+ there are no exceptions to this rule. If an experienced racer is deemed eligible based on performance to race in division above current

class but does not meet age requirement, a vote will be held by track officials to determine if racer will be allowed to race up.

-Pro class competitors will not be allowed to revert back to the Mini Pro class unless deemed necessary by the Director of Competition

-Clutch gear-14 tooth rear; gear choice of 65-66-67

-Kart with driver must weigh 415 minimum

-WKA stock appearing rules

-Engine:
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Animal runs WKA .505 gold restrictor plate

Flathead runs WKA .575 gold restrictor plate

Clone runs WKA .550 blue restrictor plate

-Chassis:

May be any rocker or champ chassis, but must be an adult chassis. Absolutely no junior chassis allowed in this class.

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