

2023 Tire Rules for Florida Karting Series

Since its inception, the Vega Dirt State Series has worked toward two goals; to give the karter the best racing program possible and to help the racers reduce their costs.

So, this season again we have listened to a wide spread of racers. As everyone can imagine there are a range of opinions, and it is the series decision to blend all these ideas and opinions into a great system for all. Being the MDH compound has been used last season with great success we will continue along the similar path of 2022. This decision comes from talking to you the racer, committee members, and from our poll at the Awards ceremony. Not surprising most everyone is very close to the same impression. As there may be a slight part one racer may like another racer may not. We have blended it all into this rule set for 2023 and have done our best for you the racer.

Vega Dirt State Series drivers will use Vega MDH950/blue and any MCS/yellow tires (one set) thick or thins all with readable Barcodes and can race with only (1) set of tires if you choose.

--For all management classes: All tires may be **new or used** for check-in each race morning.

--Rookie class will use MCS/yellow tires thick or thin—No Bar-code management

--Spec Crate & Champ class will use any MCS or MDH Vega tire—No Bar-code management

Classes below will have outside tires managed only using bar coding.

--Jr1, 2, and 3 allowed up to 3 outside sets any combination listed below, **so 6 maximum tires only**

These outside sets can be (3 sets / 6 tires of MDH950) or (2 sets / 4 tires MDH and 1 set / 2 tires MCS)

--Seniors allowed up to 4 outside sets any combination listed below, **so 8 maximum tires only**

These outside sets can be (4 sets / 8 tires of MDH950) or (3 sets / 6 tires MDH and 1 set / 2 tires MCS)

--Only 1 outside set of MCS tires per racer allowed for Jr1 thru Sr classes.

--Drivers may Share tires. As an example, Sr Racer "A" has 4 sets/ 8 tires and are checked in. Sr Racer "B" has 1 set/2 tires. Racer "B" can check-in up to 6 tires of Racer "A" and share in this example. This will give each Racer 4 sets/8 tires to use for the event. All these tires will need to be checked in at once and at the same time. All tires will need to be present to be Bar-coded.

--The left side tires must be a Vega MDH or MCS compounds but will not be monitored using bar codes.

--Racers may do whatever they wish to these tires but must qualify and race only their scanned tires checked in to them.

Racers may practice scanned tires or any other Vega tires.

--All tires to be checked in will start first thing early morning upon gates opening and will be checked in approximately within the first 60 minutes of start of practice.

NEW: Scanning Procedures -- Tires must be scanned in before 10am or another time early in the schedule if having weather conditions, a change in this schedule will be announced. If your tires are "NOT" scanned in prior to the deadline of 10am, that driver will lose their (2) fastest laps in all classes entered for the day. If that driver's tires are not scanned in by 10:30am that driver loses their right to qualify and will start in the rear of all their classes for the day. It is suggested that each racer has a plan to check in tires prior to arriving to the event so they know what they are checking in and can be done during kart pre-tech. This deadline may need adjusting after the first race but, it is intended to scan in tires earlier than the 2022 season.

--For qualifying and features the series may check tires to verify they are on the correct driver's kart. Once qualifying starts only scanned/checked in outside tires may be on the track for qualifying, heats, and features.

--Racers may interchange any of their own recorded tires between qualifying & races. Drivers may only use the tires that are recorded for them for that day or will receive zero points for that class.

--No uncommon tire modifications allowed such as tire sipping or grooving allowed.

Summary:

--You may use any Vega MDH/450-600-950 & MCS yellow tires, thick or thin. (no MDH 800 or MDH 850 allowed)

--Tires are to be checked in early in the morning.

--You may share tires between drivers if checked in under both driver's names. 2 drivers can team up on tires, but one set must be their own.

--Maximum of 6 outside tires for Jr 1 and 2, and Jr3 and Sr 8 outside tires per driver.

--This rule is per event and restarts over for the next event.

Jason Kimball 79 Memorial event: Same as 2022 at this time of posting.

Tire rule MDH/950-600-450 all blue tires. These tires will not be managed. So, drivers can use any tire from the FKS event series race. This is due to the 79 laps of racing. But will use scanned tires for qualifying.