



Scottish Power Kite Association
Standing Rules and Regulations for Kite Buggy Racing
(Also known as Parakart or Class 8 Land Yacht)

One of the aims of the SPKA is to provide a facility of Kite Buggy Racing within Scotland. To assist with this aim it now has Associate Membership of the Federation International Sand and Land Yachting ([FISLY](#)). This gives us international recognition and the associated benefits that accompany it.

Pilots Licensing

The SPKA have a set qualification requirement for the provision and issue of buggy pilots licence. These licensing facilities will be provided by the Licensing Officer or appointed instructor, as and when necessary with generally at least 4 pilots attending any one session.

The licence issue starts at beginners level (Club class) and after a qualifying period (competing in and finishing at least 5 club class races) the pilot may then make an application, supported by a list of his race history, to the SPKA's Licensing Officer to be upgraded to a National Class Licence.

The Licensing Officer's decision in any application shall be final, but will take cognisance of the pilot's ability and general racing standard. The Licensing Officer, if they so wish may also consult with other pilots, organisers, race masters, etc. before giving their decision. There will be no limit to the amount of times a pilot may apply for an upgrade other than the need to have finished 2 additional races between each application.

Qualifying races need not only be Scottish based races but they must be open events with published results listing the pilots finishing position. (N.B. a finish is recognised as having completed at least 1 lap in any given race).

When separate race classes are run by the SPKA, throughout the season at events, then the top 3 pilots in the Club Class season's results will automatically be upgraded to a National Licence.

General Racing

Within Scotland, the SPKA shall organise/supervise race events to give beginner-racing facilities (Club Class) and experienced racing facilities (National Class) for all licensed pilots.

The top ten qualifying pilots at the end of a season's racing will have the opportunity of attending that year's International event (currently European Championship each year and a World Championship every second year. Where the WC's are held in Europe then the competition will be a combined World and European Championship). The buggy numbers 1 to 10 have never been allocated under the SPKA and are reserved for the top ten qualifying pilots, allocated on their finishing order, to use if they choose for the following year's competitions up to an including the final race of that season's race series.

International Racing

Pilots who have qualified and elect to compete in the respective year's International meeting will have their License upgraded to International.

Qualification to represent Scotland as part of the National Team will be dependent on Scottish nationality by the pilot's own birthplace **or** current residency within the Scottish mainland or Islands and being recorded on the respective electoral roll (or by special consideration of the Association).

Pilots wishing to transfer their National allegiance shall have to comply with the FISLY regulations for such a transfer.

Rules and regulations will follow those set out in the current [Class 8 rules](#), as listed by FISLY.