

SAFETYKART

- In **serious situations** where drivers cannot return to the track themselves or where for whatever reason Marshalls have to enter the track to assist, the safety kart will be deployed.
 - o The safety kart will enter the track from the pit lane and will catch the leader of the race
 - o In cases where this is not possible for whatever reason, the safety kart will look for the leader in the field and then drive in front of them
- The safety kart determines the pace and position on the track to create space and safety for the Marshalls who have to assist with the incident
- The drivers must closely monitor the safety kart and the track it chooses
 - o All Drivers must follow the safety kart and the drivers in front of them in one long single file chain at a **fixed** pace
 - o Riders behind the safety kart are **NOT** allowed to zigzag/ weave or “keep the tires warm”
 - o Ignoring this ban risks the safety of the Marshalls and will result in a penalty lap.
 - o Drivers that fail to follow these instructions and get themselves stuck, get off track, end up spinning or otherwise break or leave the chain of karts will have to rejoin the pack at the back! Lost positions due to your own actions **WILL NOT** be recovered
- It is **FORBIDDEN** to enter pit lane during the safety kart!
 - o This carries a penalty of 5 laps
 - o In the event that the driver's Stint time is exceeded during the safety kart, the penalty will be canceled and the driver must still visit the pit lane to change within 5 minutes after the safety kart has ended.
 - o Stint times of other drivers that do not expire during the safety kart procedure will continue unchanged
- As soon as the track is declared safe again by the race management, the safety kart will leave the track via the **PADDOCK**
 - o The safety kart makes this known by switching off the lights **before** the chicane and extending his hand to the left
 - To signal to the leader that he/she should lead the pack
 - o The leader must maintain the pace of the safety kart and continue driving to the **start/finish line**
 - Significantly reducing speed is therefore **NOT** permitted
 - Significantly increasing speed is also **NOT** permitted
 - Drivers behind the leader must continue to drive in single file chain
 - o From **start/finish** the green flag will be flown and the race **MUST** continue
 - Resuming the race **ALWAYS** takes place from the **start/finish** line
 - Overtaking is allowed again after the **Start/finish** line
 - Breaking the chain before **start/finish**, deviating from the single file line, or putting your kart next to another in preparation for the green flag will immediately result in a penalty lap!
 - o It is **FORBIDDEN** to pit immediately after the green flag, this is only allowed after 1 lap after the restart.
- After the restart, the Safety Kart will re-enter the track behind the last driver in the field in order to take its position in the pit lane
 - o The safety kart will not have any lights on for this
- A sign on the long straight will indicate when the pit lane is closed and when it is open again