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MSA statement regarding National Kart Championships

As announced on Wednesday, the Motor Sports Association (MSA) has this week launched a tender process for the organisation and promotion of the MSA British Kart, Junior Kart and Cadet Kart Championships from 1 January 2013. Further tenders will follow for the MSA British Superkart Championship and Grand Prix titles.

At the recent meeting of Motor Sports Council on 12th June 2012, the revised regulations regarding the restructure of Karting Championships were approved. Subsequently, the MSA would like to confirm that a similar tender process for the organisation and promotion of all other National Kart Championships, originally anticipated to be held this year, has been delayed until 2013. As a result, the Association of British Kart Clubs (ABkC) have agreed to extend their existing contracts and arrangements relating to National Kart Championships for a further year.

Rob Jones, MSA General Secretary and Chairman of Kart Committee, said:

“Directly resulting from the Karting Green Paper, there is a great deal of change going on within karting at the moment, particularly the establishment of a new structure, preparations for the new cadet engine and the tender process for the MSA British titles, not to mention the important initiatives to address other issues, such as rising costs. On reflection, and in discussion with the ABkC, we just felt that it would be more pragmatic to spread some of these huge projects over the next 12 months, rather than rush into something at this stage.”

Editor's notes:

The Motor Sports Association (MSA) is the national governing body, responsible for the regulation and administration of four-wheeled motor sport in the UK. The MSA is a member of the world governing body, the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) and holds a seat on the World Motor Sport Council. The MSA represents 32,000 licence holders, 15,000 volunteer marshals and officials, more than 750 member clubs and issues permits for 4,500 motor sport events every year. As a result of its commitment to developing the sport, the MSA makes significant investment in the three elements of its Whole Sport Plan: 'Grow' targets an increase in participation levels, 'Sustain' invests in the infrastructure of the sport, its clubs and its people, and 'Excel' focuses on training future world champions and educating their peers.

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