



## **Battle for Orlando Set for Two-Day Karting Showdown at Orlando Kart Center**

Orlando, FL — Orlando Kart Center is proud to announce the Battle for Orlando, a two-day karting event designed to reward speed, racecraft, consistency, and strategy across an entire weekend of competition.

The event will feature Race 1 on Saturday and Race 2 on Sunday, with individual race winners crowned each day. However, the main prize money will not be awarded based only on who wins Sunday's final. Instead, the overall money champion in each eligible class will be determined by the combined points total from the entire weekend, including Saturday and Sunday competition.

That means drivers will battle for three major honors:

### **Saturday Race Winner**

Awarded to the winner of Saturday's final.

### **Sunday Race Winner**

Awarded to the winner of Sunday's final.

### **Battle of Orlando Money Champion**

Awarded on Sunday based on the combined points earned across both days, including heats, super heat / pre-final, and finals.

### **Prize Money**

Any class with 20 or more drivers will be eligible for a \$2,000 purse, paid out on Sunday based on the final combined weekend points standings.

The advertised payout will include:

<b>Position</b>	<b>Payout</b>
1st	\$1,000
2nd	\$500
3rd	\$250
4th	\$100
5th	\$50

The remaining payout will be distributed further down the order until the full \$2,000 class purse is paid.

### **Tires**

All classes will run on LeCont tires. Each class will be allowed one set of tires per day.

### **Saturday Format — Race 1**

Saturday will begin immediately with qualifying at 8:00 AM.

After qualifying, drivers will compete in three heats and a final.

## Qualifying

Drivers qualify to set the starting grid for Heat 1.

## Heat 1

Drivers start based on qualifying results.

## Heat 2

The starting grid will be based on the Heat 1 finishing order, with inversions applied.

Positions 1 through 7 will be inverted. For example, the Heat 1 winner starts 7th, 2nd starts 6th, and 7th starts 1st.

Positions 8 through 15 will also be inverted within their group.

Drivers from 16th position back will start in the same position they finished Heat 1.

## Heat 3 — Strategy Heat

Heat 3 will introduce a strategic starting-position choice.

The order of selection will be based on the Heat 2 finishing order. Drivers will choose their starting position for Heat 3, and bonus or penalty points will be applied based on whether they move backward or forward from their earned position.

For example, if a driver earns the right to start 1st but chooses to start 10th, that driver moves back 9 positions and can earn 9 bonus points. If that driver then wins the heat, they receive the race points for the win plus the bonus points for moving back.

If a driver moves forward from their earned position because their preferred spot is no longer available, they will lose points based on how many positions they moved forward.

This format is designed to reward drivers who are willing to take risks, pass cars, and race their way forward.

### Saturday Final

The starting grid for Saturday's final will be set by adding the points from all three Saturday heats. The winner of the final will be crowned the Saturday Race Winner.

### **Sunday Format — Race 2**

Sunday will use a completely different format, beginning with a random draw instead of qualifying.

### Sunday Heat 1

There will be no timed qualifying on Sunday. After Saturday's racing, drivers will draw a ball to determine their starting position for Sunday Heat 1.

### Sunday Heat 2

Heat 2 will start straight up based on the finishing order from Heat 1.

### Sunday Heat 3

Heat 3 will be gridded by the fastest lap from Heat 2. This means the starting order will not be based on finishing position, but on each driver's fastest lap time in Heat 2.

### Sunday Super Pre-Final

The starting grid for the Super Pre-Final will be determined by adding the points from Sunday Heats 1, 2, and 3.

### Sunday Final

After the Super Pre-Final, points from the three Sunday heats and the Super Pre-Final will be added together to set the grid for Sunday's final. The winner of Sunday's final will be crowned the Sunday Race Winner.

### Overall Money Champion

After Sunday's final, all points from both days will be added together. This includes Saturday's heats and final, plus Sunday's heats, Super Pre-Final, and final.

The driver with the highest combined weekend points total in each eligible class will be crowned the Battle of Orlando Money Champion and will receive the top prize payout.

This format makes every session important. A driver can win Saturday, another driver can win Sunday, but the money will go to the driver who performs best across the entire Battle of Orlando weekend.

### **Event Summary**

The Battle for Orlando is built to create exciting racing, reward consistency, and give drivers multiple ways to prove themselves. With qualifying, inversions, strategy-based starting choices, random draws, fastest-lap grids, and combined weekend points, the event will challenge drivers from the first session on Saturday morning through the final checkered flag on Sunday.

All classes are welcome, and any class reaching 20 or more entries will race for a \$2,000 purse.

For more information, registration, and event updates, contact Orlando Kart Center.