# WCKC Policy V1.0 (March 5, 2024) on Safe Control & Protection of "Animals - Pets" @ Greg Moore Raceway

#### 1. Purpose

This policy aims to ensure the safety and well-being of Pets ( Ie. Dog, Cat, etc ), the public, race participants, and staff at the Greg Moore Raceway. Recognizing the potential dangers that exist at a motorsports facility, this policy establishes guidelines for Pet owners and all attendees. Please Note - From a Safety perspective, it is not advised or encouraged to bring Animals to a Racetrack.

#### 2. Scope

This policy is applicable to everyone, including staff, participants, spectators, and vendors, entering Greg Moore Raceway. It is effective whenever the track is designated as 'HOT', which is defined as any time when karts are expected to be or may be on the track. Hot Tracks are typically during practice days or race weekends 1st session to the last session of the day. When the track/pit is not being used by any vehicles (for racing/practice/driving at speed) then the track is considered to be 'COLD'. Cold tracks typically are prior to and end of day for any on-track race/practice activities and per club rules events must be completed before dusk.

#### 3. Guidelines

#### A. Pet Area Restrictions:

Pets are not allowed in the hot-pit, pre-grid & scales areas, race track surface or any other high-risk zones. See Appendix "A" Greg Moore Raceway Track map, below. Highlighted red zones denote restricted 'HOT' areas. Pet area restrictions are removed when the track is 'COLD'.

## B. Leash Requirement:

All Pets must be on a sturdy leash at all times. Harnesses or collars should be secure and in good condition.

#### C. Identification:

Pets should have a current ID tag affixed to their collar or harness. The ID tag should include the following information: name of Pet, phone # of the owner.

## D. Supervision:

Pets must be supervised by an adult (18 years and older) at all times.

## E. Behavioral Requirements:

Pet's showing signs of aggression or distress must be immediately removed from the facility.

#### F. Pet Waste Management:

Owners are responsible for promptly picking up and properly disposing of their Pet's waste in designated receptacles at all times.

## G. Noise Control:

Excessive barking or disruptive behavior is discouraged at all times.

## H. Liability:

Pet owners are solely responsible for any injuries or damages caused by their Animals.

West Coast Kart Club assumes no liability for incidents involving Pet animals.

## 4. Emergency procedure guidelines

In the event that a pet becomes unleashed within the race track vicinity or somehow enters any part of a "HOT" track, it is imperative to prioritize safety for all involved. Please follow these guidelines:

- A. Stay Calm and Alert: Maintain composure and be vigilant to assess the situation accurately.
- B. Alert Track Officials: Immediately notify race track officials or staff members about the situation.
- C. Suspend Racing Activities: If necessary, temporarily halt all racing and track activities until the situation is resolved and the pet is safely removed from the track.
- D. **DO NOT CHASE** the Pet, as this can escalate the situation and pose a risk to the Pet and people on the track.
- E. Secure the Animal Safely: If it is safe to do so and you are experienced with handling such animals, attempt to approach the animal slowly and cautiously, using a calm and reassuring tone to gain its trust. If the animal appears aggressive or frightened, do not attempt an approach.
- F. Establish and Make Contact with the Pet Owner: If the Pet has an identifiable owner nearby, alert them to the situation and request their assistance in controlling and securing their Pet under track official supervision. If the Pet owner is not present, Track Officials need to make all attempts to secure and remove the Pet from the track as soon as possible.

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G. Resume Racing Activities: Once the Pet is safely removed from the track area and all safety concerns have been addressed, resume racing activities cautiously and under the direction of track officials.

Remember, safety is the top priority in these situations. It is essential to follow the guidance of race track personnel and prioritize the well-being of everyone present, including the pet.

# 5. Enforcement

Any violations of this policy will result in immediate action, which may include:

- Warning the Pet owner.
- Asking the Pet owner to leave the facility.
- Banning the Pet and/or owner from future events.
- Removal of club membership or benefits

#### 6. Conclusion

The safety of all attendees, participants, and Pet animals is a top priority at Greg Moore Raceway. We request the cooperation of all Pet Animal owners in adhering to this policy to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Appendix "A": Track map showing restricted pet zones when track is 'HOT'

