



**Australian Karting Association (NSW) Inc
State Policy
HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINES**

No doubt you are all aware of the increase in official inspections of motor racing facilities (including the pit/paddock area's) by state and local authorities, aimed at reducing the risk of accident and injury to participants, volunteers and members of the public. It is the responsibility of the competitor/team/ association: **“so far as it is practicable, to provide a working environment that is safe and without risks to health”**.

Under State Health & Safety Regulations, temporary garage facilities at a race meeting are regarded as a temporary workplace, which means they must comply with regulations.

Whilst Regulations vary slightly between States, the aim is similar – **SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT**.

The essential points to comply with are:-

ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

ELECTRICAL POWER LEADS MUST NOT BE RUN ALONG THE GROUND.

- If you are taking power from a distribution point (genset/power point) to your truck/trailer/tent/shelter, you must suspend the cable above the ground,
- at a minimum height of 2 meters in a pedestrian area,
- **OR** high enough to clear the largest vehicle accessing the area.

EXTENSION LEADS & POWER TOOLS

- Power leads, power boards and power tools should be tested, inspected and tagged every 12 months.
- Gensets should be fitted with an earth lead and stake.



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FIRE SAFETY

AT LEAST ONE, OPERABLE, 1KG POWDER FIRE EXTINGUISHER PER COMPETING KART IS TO BE EASILY ACCESSIBLE AND VISIBLE AT THE REAR OF YOUR AREA.

- During re-fuelling an extinguisher is to be placed within arms length of the kart, so it can be reached quickly in the event of a fuel fire and or spillage.
- Do not store fuel in the tent/shelter area; keep it in the trailer/truck until needed.
- Fuel is to be stores in approved containers only with the appropriate labeling (Australian Standards Approved).

WORK SAFELY

- Avoid placing any objects in a position that could create a tripping accident.
- Be aware of ventilation when refueling karts or using cleaning fluids.
- When warming kart engines (in the designated areas) wear ear protection.
- Wear eye protection when using striking tools or grinding.

ACCIDENTS

- Any injury received in the work place (pit/paddock area) must be reported to officials of the meeting.
- The reporting of accidents will provide information to help prevent future similar accidents.