

## **APPENDIX H - JUNIOR DRIVER PROGRAM**

### **I. RULES AND PROCEDURAL UPDATES**

As this program remains in the developmental phase, rule updates or clarifications may appear periodically in the Fastrack® section of the official SCCA® publication or [www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com).

### **II. EVENT OPERATION**

A. All procedures described in Appendix G, Section II and in Section 19.2 would apply. The Junior Driver Program may either be run incorporated into an event, run concurrently on a separate course, run after an event, or as a stand-alone event.

B. In addition to the above, the following procedures would apply:

1. Appointment of at least one Youth Steward. Two additional assistant Youth Stewards are recommended. Duties are described below.
2. Conduct an additional driver's meeting for the Junior Drivers.
3. Provide a small area for Junior Driver vehicle orientation.
4. Develop work assignments for Junior Drivers that are appropriate to their individual ages and background. An alternate to a traditional work assignment could be a safety training session. Either work assignments or training sessions will be under the supervision of the Youth Stewards.

NOTE: Waiver duty is limited to persons above the age of majority of the state in which the event is held, however, Junior Drivers may assist an adult.

C. Youth Steward Duties

The Youth Steward is a licensed position and must be an SCCA® member in good standing. License applications are available via the SCCA® website ([www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com)). Duties are as follows:

1. In conjunction with the event chairperson and event Solo® Safety Steward, establish specific event procedures relative to schedule, grid and site layout, special instructions, Junior Driver vehicle orientation, etc.
2. Oversee the conduct of all Junior Drivers with the authority for disciplinary action including reprimand, time penalty, disqualification, expulsion from the site, and driver suspension.
3. Conduct a Junior Drivers' meeting that emphasizes safety, responsibility and event procedures.
4. Conduct a Junior Driver vehicle orientation session prior to competition runs for inexperienced drivers.
5. Lead at least two (2) mandatory course walks for inexperienced Junior Drivers.

D. Pilot Program for Younger Drivers

Selected Regions will be allowed to have drivers 5 years old and older participating on Solo® courses using Cadet carts with 3HP engines, as per

WKF® rules. The Solo® course used could either be the regular event course during or after the event, or a totally separate course. Regions may only be approved for this pilot program if they have been running a Solo® Formula Junior program for a minimum of one year, with at least four events conducted with Junior Drivers. The SCCA® National Office will issue the approvals to the Regions for participation in this program.

### **III. JUNIOR DRIVER ELIGIBILITY**

A. SCCA® member.

B. For classing purposes, the minimum age is 8 years old (see below). It is important that Solo® Rules Section 1.3.2.0 be strictly adhered to when Junior Drivers are participating. Formula Junior B (JB) drivers must be 8 years old before being allowed to compete. Formula Junior A (JA) drivers must be between 12 years old and 18 years old.

For sanctioning requirements the minimum age is 12 years old. However, the minimum age may be reduced to 8 years old for any SCCA® Region which requests and is approved for an exception. Approval may be granted only after the Region submits the name of its Youth Steward and a written description of how the Junior Drivers will be administered. Additionally, the Youth Steward will be required to contact the Youth Steward in an experienced pilot program Region to learn of their experiences and methods.

C. Completed minor competitor waiver.

D. Attendance at Junior Driver meeting and course walk.