

## UNIQUE KART & 4-STROKE ENGINE RENTAL SCHEME FOR TKM S1 SERIES

Drivers interested in competing in this year's Formula TKM Super 1 championship rounds are being offered a unique special deal to compete in either of the Junior or Senior TKM 4-stroke classes.

For just £299 per race meeting, drivers will be able to use the very latest Italian Intrepid Storm kart with a brand new TKM 4-stroke engine and new slick tyres for each event adding up to just £1794 plus VAT for the season's six round championship.

The special deal has been put together by Tal-Ko Racing, makers of the world leading TKM K4S engine, and JKH Intrepid whose owner John Hoyle, is also a director of the S1 series.

Explaining the reasons for the deal, Tal-Ko boss Alan Turney says: "We want to encourage more drivers into racing at this level but at the same time we are aware that in these difficult times many drivers/parents simply cannot afford the outlay on new equipment.

"This rental system will allow them to get involved at less than half the cost of the traditional route of buying a kart and engine."

Adds John Hoyle: "The nature of karting is changing and we believe that plenty of drivers would be keen to go down the rental route. It happens at the very top end of the sport and we believe there is a demand for it at this level."

While the full scheme with race day tyres is offered for both kart and engine, it will also be possible for drivers who have a kart to just rent just an engine without tyres & kart, at a cost of £900 plus VAT for the series.

The details of the scheme are simple. It covers all three days of testing and racing at each TKM S1 round and applies to Junior and Senior 4-stroke classes. Spares will be available at each meeting so there is no need for the driver to buy spares in advance other than to have wheels, and wet tyres, etc. The renter will be responsible for all running of the kart/engine at each event but will be able to receive technical advice if needed.

The engine will be supplied to the race meeting on Friday morning cleaned, checked and prepped ready to go. A starter will also be included. Help will be given at the first meeting to ensure correct fitment. The engine will be taken away by Tal-Ko after each event for checking. The driver will keep the same engine through the year.

The kart will be the latest Storm model with 50mm rear axle. The kart must be taken away by the renter from each meeting and must be looked after and cleaned by them throughout the year.

The first two events must be paid up front with the remainder of the meetings paid for on a one by one basis. The only additional cost to drivers will be for any accident damage or miss-use of equipment leading to damage.

One set of race day slick tyres per race meeting are included in the full package deal. The driver will be responsible for supplying wet tyres and additional tyres for testing if required.

Karts, engines and starter must be returned after the last meeting. At any time during the season the renter can opt to buy the engine, kart or both items with the amount given in rental discounted at 50 per cent off the retail price.

In order to give drivers time to get their plans in place and take up this fantastic offer, the closing date for registrations in the two TKM 4-stroke classes has been put back to March 1.

If available karts and engines will also be offered on the same basis for the Maxxis TKM Festival at Whilton Mill in August.

Full details are available on the websites at [www.tal-ko.com](http://www.tal-ko.com) and [www.stormkart.co.uk](http://www.stormkart.co.uk)

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