

## CIRCUIT ADVANCE PROGRAM

### KOTKA POWERBOATRACE 2026

#### 1. Series and classes

##### UIM Titled event

GT10	European Cup race
GT15	World Championship
GT30	European Championship

##### Finnish Championship event

F4	Finnish Championship round
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#### 2. Dates and Location

<b>Dates</b>	31.7-2.8.2026
<b>Venue</b>	Vasikkasaarentie 25-51, 48200 Kotka, Finland
<b>Schedule</b>	According to Time Schedule in the end of Advance Program

#### 3. Rules

- The races are held under the current UIM rules and homologations.
- The organizer and race directorate retain the right to announce additional rules and regulations specifically for the races mentioned in this program. These rules and regulations must be in conformity with the rules and regulations of the U.I.M. and are obligatory as any other rules and regulations of these races. Drivers must be informed about these additional rules and regulations by the race commissioner during the first official drivers briefings. The modifications must be communicated, by written means, to the officials and participants, at least 1 hour before the first start.

#### 4. Organizer

National Authority/ Main Organizer:	Suomen Purjehdus ja Veneily ry	nkt@spv.fi
Local Organizer:	Veleiro Oy	
Race official email:	nkt@spv.fi	

## 5. Entries

Entries to be sent not later than 19.7.2026

Online: [GT10, GT15, GT30](#)

[F4](#)

Onsite: See Time Schedule

Entry Fee: **GT10, GT15, GT30** 0 €      **F4** 250 €

- All registrations will be confirmed by the organizer. If a competitor does not receive such confirmation, they are responsible to contact the organizer to verify their registration.
- Parents/Guardian name, signature and contact information on entry form is mandatory for all participants that are under 18 years age.
- In case of titled events, the entry fee for the drivers is free of charge.

## 6. Minimum age of competitors

- For UIM race categories according to UIM Rule 203.04.01

## 7. Documents for registration and scrutineering

Original documents must be presented and copies handed over to the Race Office.

- Original National Authority signed ratification document (UIM rule 203.01)
- Measurement certificate and racing license.
- Immersion test certificate for classes with safety cockpits.
- Documents of medical examination.
- Insurance documents in English. If in local official language (see more detailed explanation further in this document).
- Signed Acknowledgement of the anti-doping rules (can be signed at registration).
- Jury members must present a signed NA authorization form at the race office upon arrival (UIM rule 402.01)
- All drivers must present their valid personal international accident Insurance Policy. If the Insurance is included on some National Authorities Racing Licenses, they must be drawn up in English.
- For times of scrutineering see Time Schedule.
- During the scrutineering all elements required by the UIM Rules will be checked.
- If driver is refused entry by technical scrutineers, the decision and reason must be clearly stated with applicable rule number(s), signed by technical scrutineers, OOD and UIM Sports Commissioner and will

be posted on the official notice board at least one hour before the first driver's briefing to allow a protest or correction.

- Practice will be allowed only after a successful technical inspection of the boat on the course at it will be laid out for the races. Practice will be allowed only during the official practice sessions as listed in the final time schedule of the event. The race course area will be closed for practice during any other time and any boat on the course during this time will be subject to disqualification from the event

## 8. Racing course and lengths

UIM Water Registration

*FIN22/03.23*

Maximum number of boats on the race course

*FIN22/03.23*

20

Lengths and number of laps:

*GT10*        *5 laps, 1000 m*

*GT15*        *6 laps, 1000 m*

*GT30*        *10 laps, 1200 m*

*F4*            *15 laps, 1330 m*

Number of laps in case of qualification heats

3

- Racing course – see map in the end of this document.
- Safety lap after checkered flag is obligatory for all classes. Not fulfilling this requirement results with disqualification.

## 9. Racing format and starts

- All classes have four heats and four heats are to be considered for the results.
- All GT15, GT30 and F4 heats will have a dead engine start per UIM Rule 307. GT10 running engine start with disengaged gears according to UIM rule 307.
- Starting position for first heat will be determined by time trial. Boats qualifying for first heat via second chance qualification will be positioned at the lower end of the jetty.
- On the start jetty at start procedure each driver can be accompanied by a maximum of one team member (F4 : 2 team members)
- Late start is understood after the moment when the leading boat passes first turn buoy or red light is turned on again (explained at Drivers briefing). Such late boat will be allowed to join the race only after signal and instructions of the jetty Marshall.
- The start remains open until the first racer has made three laps.
- Race stopped will be restarted accordingly to UIM Rule 311.

## 10. Safety regulations

- Protecting helmet per UIM Rule 205.07
- Racing vest per rule UIM Rule 205.06
- Clothing protection per UIM Rule 205.11

## 11. Fuel

- According to UIM rule 508
- *98E5 fuel is to be bought from Ritoil Risto Rämä, Jylpyntie 39, 48230 Kotka.*
- Technical Commission will take fuel sample for inspection from the same petrol station.
- Refueling is forbidden in the launching area as well as at the starting jetty.

## 12. Transport facilities and concessions

- No compensations for travel costs or for starting in the race will be paid.

## 13. Prizes

- The three top drivers of each class will be awarded with trophies.
- In entry-level GT10 and GT15 classes, all participants will be awarded with a trophy or prize
- For UIM titled event medal winners, UIM provides gold, silver and bronze medals.

## 14. Other mandatory regulations

- The penalty for dislodging or damaging a buoy is 200 €. The penalty shall be paid immediately at the race office. Should the responsible driver fail to pay the penalty fee, s/he is prohibited from participating the following events of the schedule. Once payment is made the driver is allowed to rejoin the events of the schedule. Remaining buoys and anchors belong to the organizer.
- Obligatory Drivers briefing will be held according to the Time Schedule and will be organized in the pit area (see race course map). Under-aged drivers must be accompanied by their jetty personnel.
- The organizer reserves rights for advertisements on the boats as regulated in UIM Rules 203.051.
- Any protest must be submitted to the Race Secretary in English according to UIM rule 403. The protest fee is 150 € payable in cash at the time of lodging the protest.
- Every driver is responsible that his engine does not exceed noise levels at all times as specified in U.I.M. Rule 505.
- Every driver is responsible to take care of the environment - an absorbent carpet to avoid any spillage to the ground must be used according the UIM Rule 703.
- Organizer will make Letter of Invitation for Visa supply for participants if necessary.
- Results will be operatively published at race web-page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/Powerboat.Racing.in.Finland>  
<https://www.facebook.com/share/18Sx9sZkpt/>

## 15. Insurance regulations

- All drivers are responsible for their own personal accident and third party insurances.
- Third party insurances must cover all liability claims during off-water activities during the event. Minimum coverage is 2000 euros.
- Personal accident insurance must cover all activities during the event. Minimum coverage is 2000 euros.
- All the on-water activities are on the responsibility of the driver at all times.

## 16. Race Officials

Officer of the Day (OOD)	Frank Blomqvist
DOOD	TBA
UIM Commissioner	Vahur Joala
UIM Technical Comm.	Aivars Lenerts
Jury Chairman	Sandra Roms
Medical Officer	Pete Borgenström
Race Secretary	Mikaela Dunderfelt
Official Timekeeper	Finnish NA team
Technical Officer	Jari Lehtonen
Rescue Team	Finnish NA rescue team

## 17. Organizer additional regulations

- The pit area and the race office will be operational from Friday 31.7.2026 15.00 until the prize giving ceremony on Sunday 2.8.2026.
- All team staff and drivers must wear appropriate and recognizable team clothing as well as closed shoes in the pit area at all times
- Mandatory weights for tents shall be attached via ratchet straps — min. weight 15 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Every tent must have at least one 2 kg fire extinguisher placed on the left side of the tent's exit and must be equipped with a fire detector
- Tent places for the teams will be appointed by the organizer
- Smoking, open fire, bbq and alcohol are strictly prohibited in the pit area: 200€ penalty
- No cars are permitted to remain in the pit area
- Every member of each team is responsible to take care of the environment around their tent, boats and equipment and to clean their own space in the pit area after the event
- Emptying caravan toilets into public toilets: 200€ penalty
- Violation of these regulations will be subject to a fine of 100€ unless specified differently in the respective rules

## 18. Race course map



## Time Schedule

Testing/practicing outside the race circuit and in race venue 3 days before the event and before or after the authorised hours during the event is prohibited.

### Friday 31.07.2026

12.00	Pit area open
12.00 — 19:00	Race administration
12:00 — 21.00	Scrutineering
18:00 — 18.30	Organizing committee and organization meeting
21.00	Pit area closed

### Saturday 01.08.2026

08.00	Office and pit area open
08.30	Drivers' briefing
09.15 — 09.45	GT10 - Free practice + time trial
09.50 — 10.20	GT30 - Free practice + time trial
10.25 — 10.55	GT15 - Free practice + time trial
11.00 — 11.30	F4 - Free practice + time trial National Finnish Championship
11.00 — 12.30	Lunch break
12.30	Heat #1 (order: GT10, GT30, GT15, F4)
15.00	Heat #2 (order: GT10, GT30, GT15, F4)
18.00	Organizing committee and organization meeting
20.00	Office and pit area closed

### Sunday 02.08.2026

08.30	Office and pit area open
09.00	Drivers' briefing
09.30 — 09.45	GT10 Free practice
09.50 — 10.05	GT30 Free practice
10.10 — 10.25	GT15 Free practice
10.30 — 10.45	F4 Free practice
11.00 — 12.20	Lunch break
12.30	Heat #3 (order: GT30, GT10, GT15, F4)
14.30	Heat #4 (order: GT30, GT10, GT15, F4)
17.30	Prize Giving Ceremony