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GCR 239 (ii) states that: "Such fire-resistant clothing must be in a good condition and should ideally be FIA-approved or locally produced by a recognised manufacturer from flame-retardant material. The clothing item must be clearly labeled to indicate whether it is FIA-approved or locally produced from a recognized flame-retardant material".

To assist competitors the below serves to expand on this regulation:

A. RACE SUITS

Race suits which carry a valid FIA approval (clearly indicated on the collar) and which appear on the official "technical list" of the FIA will be deemed to be similarly approved by MSA.



All local **race suit** manufacturers are required by MSA to include a permanent identification label on the outside of the back collar, to indicate compliance with the following recognised fire retardant fabrics and specifications:

- MSA recognised fire retardant fabrics for use in race suit manufacture:-

Nomex	Diamond	Pyrovatex	Aflammit	Proban
Kermal	Ter	Carmyth Karvin	Delta C	
HocoTexAramid	PBI			

*** manufacturers may apply for recognition by MSA of additional fabrics as required ***

In addition to the fabric itself MSA highly recommends that Nomex sewing thread or a similar flame retardant thread be used in the manufacture of the garment for all stitching and box quilting.

- MSA recognised fire retardant race suit specifications:-
 - **LEVEL 1:** One (1) piece race suit with one (1) layer of approved fire retardant fabric

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Fire Retardant LEVEL 1

Year of manufacture
2014

- **LEVEL 2:** One (1) piece race suit with two (2) layers of approved fire retardant fabric

Fire Retardant LEVEL 2

Year of manufacture
2014

- **LEVEL 3:** One (1) piece race suit with two (2) layers of approved fire retardant fabric of which at least one (1) layer is Nomex or a similar fabric approved by the FIA

Fire Retardant LEVEL 3

Year of manufacture
2014

B. KART SUITS

Kart suits which carry a valid CIK-FIA homologation (clearly indicated on the collar) will be deemed to be similarly approved by MSA for karting use only.

NOTE – this is not an FIA approval and is exclusively applicable to karting without any implied or approved fire retardant properties



All local **kart suit** manufacturers are required by MSA to include a permanent identification label on the outside of the back collar, to indicate compliance with the following approved fabrics:

- Cordura outer with an inner layer for comfort and moisture absorption (cotton or similar)
- Nylon outer with an inner layer for comfort and moisture absorption (cotton or similar)

LEVEL K: One (1) piece kart suit with two (2) fabric layers of which the outer must comprise an approved fabric as listed above

Karting Use Only Highly Flammable LEVEL K

Year of manufacture
2014

NB: RACE SUITS DESIGNED FOR KARTING (WHETHER LOCALLY PRODUCED OR IMPORTED) ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR USE IN CATEGORIES OF THE SPORT WHERE THE USE OF FIRE RETARDANT GARMENTS IS REQUIRED.

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