To reduce the workload, equalize racing for the small teams and reduce the expense to all racers, the Vega Dirt Series is implementing a new tire policy for the 2019 season.

The Vega Dirt Series is committed to leveling the playing field in terms of tire management. We have listened to the concerns of our racers regarding excessive tire preparation prior to any dirt event. It involves mounting, prepping, scuffing-in tires at tracks, and then repeating the process again. We have heard from both new and veteran karters that there is too much time spent on tire prep. Based on the feedback and ideas from the racers, we are implementing the following guidelines.

This new policy will equalize the playing field for all racers, new or veteran, large or small team. Everyone will have equal time to prepare their tires for the day's events and will eliminate the expense of preparing multiple sets of tires in advance.

The series will have an independent monitor to oversee the program. This person has racing experience and will ensure the new process creates equality and fairness for all racers.

2019 Vega Dirt Series tire procedures

Rules:

--The racer will purchase a tire voucher either with the pre-entry or at the track.

--The racer brings the purchased voucher ticket to the tire distribution area to receive bar-coded tires.

--These tires will be assigned to you, no one else. No tire sharing between drivers.

--Drivers must run their assigned tires in as many classes as they wish.

--Tires may be picked up first thing Saturday morning.

--Racers can do whatever they wish to these tires but must qualify and race these tires. Racers may practice these tires if they wish, they are yours to use all day.

--After qualifying, tires will be checked to verify they are on the correct driver's kart.

--Racers can interchange any of their own recorded tires between qualifying & races. You may only use the tires that are recorded for you for that day.

--Any Vega tire can be used in practice.

--All race tires will be MCS Yellow 600 and MCS 800's thins. The left front tire must be a Vega MCS but will not be monitored. You may bring your own left front or purchase one at the track

--The series will have a mounting area with minimum assistance. It is suggested to bring unmounted rims to the track, otherwise a tire breaker, rim holder, and a tire ring with air will be available at each track event.

--Tire mounting assistance is available through several providers. See VegaDirtSeriesFl.com for more information.

-- All purchased voucher for each event must be redeemed by the end of the race day.

Rookie, Flathead & Spec Clone: These classes are NOT part of the spec tire program. These classes may bring their own tires.

Junior 1: Two MCS 800 tires are mandatory and only these two tires can be used from qualifying on. Left side tires are not monitored in Junior 1.

All Senior and Jr 2 & Jr 3 classes: One three-legged set, (one 600 + two 800) is mandatory. These classes have the option of purchasing one additional three-legged set or any partial combination of one 600 or two 800 tires. These may be purchased anytime during the day before the start of the first feature. The additional set is optional, not mandatory. The maximum number of tires allowed per driver is two 600's and four 800's.

The left front tire will not be monitored on any class. As mentioned, all additional tires allowed are voluntary and will be the choice of the racer to get vouchers for them. We have surveyed groups and teams on their usage levels and this is the minimum average we will require.

Voucher options apply to all classes, points and pro:

Rookie: No voucher needed, drivers may bring their Vega tires from home.

Junior 1: Voucher "JR1Set"— Two 800 MCS tires (mandatory/required)

Jr 2, Jr 3, and Senior:

Voucher "3TireSet"— One Three-Legged Set (one 600 + two 800) (mandatory/required)

Voucher "Extra3TireSet"— One additional Three-Legged Set (one 600 + two 800) (allowed as optional)

Voucher "2-800"— Two 800's (allowed as optional)

Voucher "1-800"— One 800 (allowed as optional)

Voucher "1-600"— One 600 (allowed as optional)