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### **Yokohama Rubber to Supply One-Make Tires for the Macau International Kart Grand Prix - Final Race to Decide World Champion -**

Tokyo - Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., announces that it will supply racing tires for the FIA-sponsored 2006 Macau International Kart Grand Prix, to be held from December 15 (Friday) through 17 (Sunday) in Macau.

Inaugurated last year under the sponsorship of the China-Macau Autosports Club (ACMC), the Macau International Kart Grand Prix is a new event on the calendar of the Commission Internationale de Karting - FIA (CIK-FIA). Only drivers who have excelled during the season are invited to participate in the race. Some 34 top drivers from countries in Europe, where kart racing is very popular, and Asia - including Japan - will compete this time. In this respect, although in only its second year as an international race, it is already a critical event in deciding the world's No. 1.

In the Macau International Kart GP last year, drivers could choose their own tires. This year, in order to highlight the fairness of the race, drivers are required to use the same tire, and Yokohama was selected to be that tire - given that the company has supplied official tires for 24 consecutive years for the Macau GP held every November, and that their performance has been so highly evaluated. This year, Yokohama will supply a total of 1,000 A01N for dry use and WA/GP4 for wet use.

Yokohama will also provide one-make tires for the final races in all classes of the Asia Kart Open Championship, held concurrently with the Kart GP.

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