



## **YAMAHA And Burris Racing Enter F200 With The New Hightech YF200R1**

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([PRWEB](#)) March 31, 2004 -- The F200 format is quickly gaining popularity across the country. The F200 was originally developed for speedway but it's being accepted into sprint racing as well. The F200 format is gaining popularity because it's exciting, affordable, and easy to understand. Yamaha is pleased to be working with Burris Racing to bring the YF200R1 to this rapidly growing 4-stroke arena says Colin Iwasa, Race Kart Product Manager for Yamaha Motor Corp.

The F200 program is open to multiple brands of approved engines that are built to the same generic specs. In the past, open engine classes have been very expensive and short lived because of the homologation system that made two or three year old engines obsolete and uncompetitive. In contrast, the F200 concept regulates only the basics like displacement, compression ratio, valve train, etc. resulting in a relatively simple engine package to own and tech, and fun to race.

The YF200R1 engine is derived from the Yamaha MZ175, explains Iwasa, It's a small block work horse that is used on our top of the line generators, pumps and other power equipment. The MZ175 is designed to be very reliable and to take a real beating, to run hour after hour, day in day out. It's a great base engine to build upon.

Burris Racing has spent much of 2003 developing the YF200R1 resulting in a racing engine that behaves very well and has lots of power, especially bottom end torque. Initial tests have set several track records and beat some KT100 Super Box times.

After several delays at the factory the YF200R1 kit will soon be a reality. The factory's capabilities and the YF200R1 volume created some problems, but the factory's adjusting their production lines to increase capacity. Production is scheduled to start in January 2004 with full capacity production scheduled for March. Iwasa reinforces Yamaha's position in karting with, Yamaha is committed to kart racing in the US, and we are glad to add the YF200R1 to our very successful KT100 program.

The YF200R1 will be sold through Burris Racing and their network of dealers and engine builders. For more information on the YF200R1 contact Burris Racing at [YF200R1@burrisracing.com](mailto:YF200R1@burrisracing.com). For more information on the F200 program go to [www.speedway-karting.com](http://www.speedway-karting.com) and click on the F200 button at the top.

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