



**MERCEDES-BENZ KITESURF WORLD CUP FEHMARN 2018
GKA KITEBOARDING WORLD CUP 2018: AIR GAMES GERMANY**

It is a pleasure to announce the fourth event of the GKA KITEBOARDING WORLD TOUR: AIR GAMES 2018 that will be held on the island of Fehmarn in GERMANY.

The dates will be from 24th to the 28th of August 2018.
This competition is sanctioned and governed by the GKA KWT Rulebook.

Registration

Entry procedure and Registration

All competitors planning to enter a GKA KWT Air Games event shall pre-register via email to tom@global-kitesports.org or by other means to be specified by the KWT Sports Commission, no later than the published closing date for entries for that specific event.

Ultimately it is the competitors' responsibility to pre-register or to apply for an entry for an event and to ensure that the application has been received timely and correctly.

According to rule 11.2, fines and/or having their next events applications cancelled may be handed out to a pre-registered and / or qualified competitor who, without advanced notice fails to show up at an event.

Complete and signed entry forms for event registration must be signed and complete by the time stated in the Race Notice. Exceptions can only be granted by the KWT Representative.

If a competitor is unable to complete registration at the published time and place in the Race Notice for reasons beyond their control, then the competitor should contact the KWT Representative with details of their delay, and must gain consent for their registration period to be extended. Evidence must be supplied to support reasons showing that the circumstances were out of the competitor's control. Failure to comply with the above will prohibit a competitor from entering the event.

All riders can register for the event by mailing tom@global-kitesports.org by the 14th of August 2018.

The registration mail should contain:

- Full Name:
- Nationality:
- Hometown:
- Age:
- Federative License Number:
- Sponsors:
- Passport number:
- Telephone/Whatsapp:
- Facebook page:
- Instagram account:
- Email:
- Name of Caddy:
- Food specifics:
- COMPLETE FLIGHT DETAILS OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE:

See also additional info on the separate document from the organiser “Riders Information”

All attending riders need to be members of a national NATIONAL SAILING FEDERATION and/or WORLD SAILING and have to be insured via the NATIONAL SAILING FEDERATION and/or WORLD SAILING.

If you need a medical insurance during the period of the event, the event organiser can help with that ONLY if you give him notice until the 10th August. Please contact Malte Dietrich at dietrich@act-agency.com

Cost of entry is 120.- Euro via Wire Transfer to the GKA Bank account below and 140 .-Euro or 165.-USD cash on site. Please bring exact quantities if payment is to be made onsite.

Global Kitesports Association e.V.
IBAN: DE0320 0505 5010 0220 7858
BIC: HASPDEHHXXX

Bank Address:

Hamburger Sparkasse (HASPA)
Adolphsplatz / Gr. Burstah
20457 Hamburg
Germany

Please make sure to put the full name of the rider and the name of the event in the transfer's subject.

All registration payments must be made before the 14th of August 2018. Bank transaction-costs are paid by the rider.

Entry restrictions

Inscription - fee payments must be made no later than the end of the inscription-time at the respective event.

In the case that the full amount of the inscription fee is not paid by the end of the announced inscription-time, the rider will not be allowed to compete.

Payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event.

Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or US Dollar currency.

Inscription fee payments can also be made by bank-transaction.

Inscription fee payments via bank-transaction have to be credited to the GKA bank-account 7 days prior to the first day of the event.

The maximum number is 32 male competitors and 16 female registered for this KWT event, including the wildcards.

Disciplines

There will be just one Official Discipline in a KWT Air Games event.

Divisions:

- Pro Men: any age (minimum 14 years old)
- Pro Women: any age (minimum 14 years old)

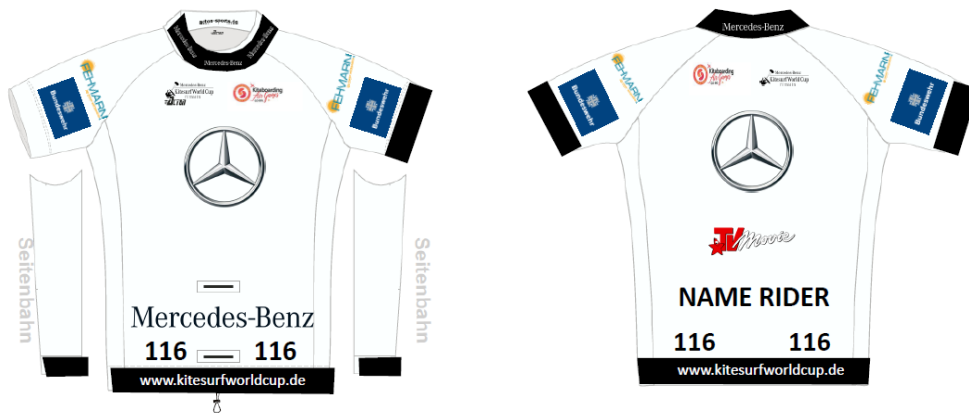
There shall be no more than 1 single / dingle / double eliminations per each KWT event.

IMPORTANT INFO

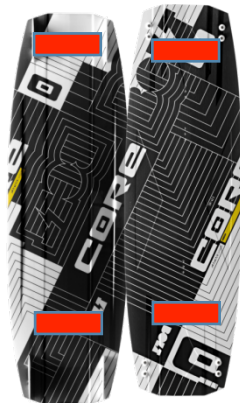
Competitors have to wear the official lycra at all times when proceeding to the water – also during training – for optimal recognition.

Competitors shall wear an event advertising lycra vest supplied by the Event Organizer over all other clothing, including harness on the water at all times during the event and four (4) board stickers to be placed on top and on the bottom of the board on each board. At the event we will be able to print your name on your lycra.

1. Lycra/Competitions Riders' Vest over the harness.



2. Assigned board sticker, two stickers on the top deck of the board and two on the bottom (see picture – positions may change). Andreas Velbinger from Tramontana Grafixx will help you to apply the stickers correctly – he will be also your contact person during the event in case you have lost one sticker.



All competitors are required to abide by the advertising rules as laid out in the Rule Book. Competitors breaching these rules may be warned in writing for the first offence and may incur a fine at the second offence of not more than \$ 500 for each violation. Repeated offenders may be disqualified from the Event and/or Series.

Each rider will get only one competition riders' vest at the registration. Each rider is responsible for his competition riders' vest. In case of loss a replacement is not possible!

All rider meetings and opening/closing ceremonies in the schedule are mandatory to all riders. Please be on time and ready.

There will be free breakfast and lunch provided for all competitors.

Each rider is entitled to register one caddy. Caddies will not have free access to the Riders Lounge! Caddies will only have access to the launching area and the equipment tent, to help their fellow riders with their kite equipment, starting and landing. Caddies wanting access to the Competitors Lounge have

to pay a fee of 75.-EUR cash at the registration day (max. 1 Caddy per Rider). This will include breakfast, lunch and drinks during the competition days.

The Riders ID-Strap authorizes you to enter the beach area free of charge, the equipment storage tent, the launching area and the Competitors Lounge. You will receive the Riders ID-Strap personally and only at the registration.

The Competitors Lounge will be open for riders, legitimate caddies, GKA and legitimate employees only. You will be able to enter the Competitors Lounge with your personal ID-Strap. Opening time will be every day from 09.00 a.m. until approximately one hour after the last heat.

Riders are not permitted to publicly associate their names in non-authorized parties/autograph sessions.

There will be a social event-calendar for each event that all riders have to join via social media and share.

Please use these media hash tags for all social media posts:

#GKAkiteboardingworldtour, #GKAairgames, #bigair, #kswc, #kitesurfworldcup

You can find additional event information on the official website: www.kitesurfworldcup.de and in appendix "Riders Info KSWC 2018".

Equipment storage

There will be secure storage for all riders' equipment at the equipment storage tent from Friday, the 24th August until Tuesday, the 28th August 2018. Access only allowed with valid Rider/Caddy ID-Straps.

Travel info:

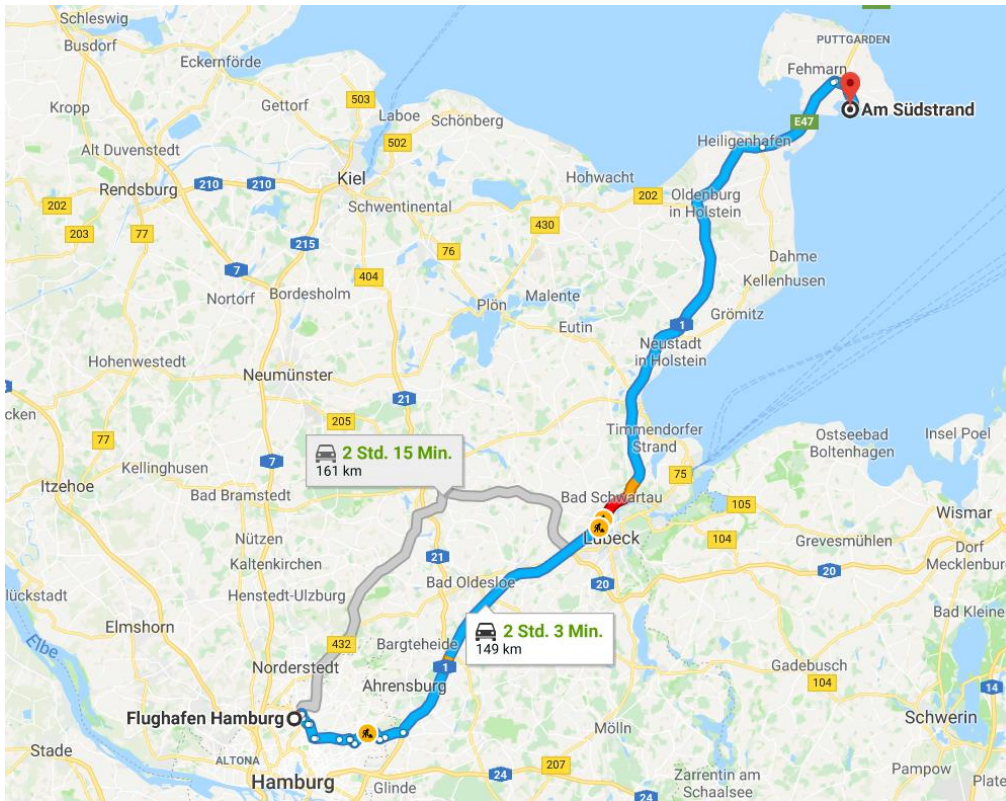
Airports:

Closest Airport to fly to is Hamburg, there are plenty of international flight connections.

By car:

From Hamburg it is about 2 hours drive by car. The adress of the Mercedes-Benz Kitesurf World Cup Fehmarn:

Strandallee 27 (across from Windsurfing Charchulla)
23769 Fehmarn OT Burgtiefe



Public transport from Hamburg Airport by train and bus:

Train S1 from **Hamburg Airport** to **Hamburg Hbf**

Train EC33 from **Hamburg Hbf** to **Fehmarn, Puttgarden** (Direction Koebenhavn H)

Bus 5751 from **Fehmarn, Puttgarden** to **Burgtiefe, Kurzentrum**

Visa:

For visa info please email: tom@global-kitesports.org

Weather:

Fehmarn has a northern Europe climate, so weather conditions can vary a lot in August. The air temperature during day can be between 27°C the highest temperatures and lowest of 15°C. The water temperature is around 18°C, so bringing a wetsuit is recommended. Sunrise is 06.00h and sunset is 20.30h.

Wind direction

Southerly winds blowing 15-25 knots onshore at Südstrand.

Northerly winds blowing around 16-30 knots offshore at Südstrand and onshore at Charcula/Lagoon.

Event Schedule**24/08/2018, Friday**

08.00: Opening overnight parking

10.00: Event start, event radio & side events

08.00-10.00: Registration for riders in the equipment tent

11.00: Opening ceremony (Mandatory for all athletes)

12.00: Skippers Meeting

13.00-18.00: Kitesurf-competition: GKA Kiteboarding World Tour Air Games

18.00-19.00: Mercedes-Benz Kicker Champion

19.00: N-JOY THE PARTY open air, Event stage

21.00h: Live on stage "Tonbandgerät" presented by N-JOY

midnight: End of event N-JOY THE PARTY open air

25/08/2018, Saturday

10.00: Event start, event radio & side events

10.00-18.00: Kitesurf-competition: GKA Kiteboarding World Tour Air Games

18.00-19.00: Mercedes-Benz Kicker Champion

19.00: N-JOY THE PARTY open air, Event stage

21.00: Live on stage "Tom Gregory" presented by N-JOY

midnight: End of event N-JOY THE PARTY open air

26/08/2018, Sunday

10.00: Event start, event radio & side events

10.00-18.00: Kitesurf-competition: GKA Kiteboarding World Tour Air Games

18.00-19.00: Mercedes-Benz Kicker Champion

19.00: end of event

Accommodation for competitors:

For accommodations contact:

Tourismus- Service Fehmarn
Burgtiefe, Zur Südstrandpromenade 4
23769 Fehmarn
Phone: +49 4371 506300
E-Mail: info@fehmar.de

Free accommodation for the Top 12 riders (male) and Top 3 riders (female) of the current ranking of the official GKA Kiteboarding World Tour Air Games in double rooms or flats for 3 people- from the day before inscription through one day after the event.

Van or Camper:

It is possible to stay overnight with a van or a camper at the Event-Campground next to the "Fehmare". Every registered rider gets the ticket for free. Deadline to "register" for these tickets is the 11th August 2018 12.00 pm. Please send therefore an E-Mail to: dietrich@act-agency.com

Prize money

The prize money for the GKA KITEBOARDING WORLD TOUR: AIR GAMES 2018 held in Fehmarn, Germany will be **25.000 Euro** (22.500 Euro will be paid to the winners of the event and 2.500 Euro will go to the winners of the end of year ranking, World Championship Title)

The prize money distribution for a valid and completed KWT Air Games event will be done according to the following table:

Single & Dingle:

MALE	
Position	Percentage
1	30,00%
2	22,50%
3	15,00%
4	8,74%
5	5,94%
5	5,94%
5	5,94%
5	5,94%
Total	100%

FEMALE	
Position	Percentage
1	40,00%
2	30,00%
3	20,00%
4	10,00%
Total	100%

Double:

MALE	
Position	Percentage
1	30,00%
2	22,50%
3	15,00%
4	8,75%
5	7,50%
6	6,25%
7	5,00%
7	5,00%
Total	100%

FEMALE	
Position	Percentage
1	40,00%
2	30,00%
3	20,00%
4	10,00%
Total	100%

Woman's prize division will be a minimum of 20% with 6 participants and will increase depending on the final number of woman competitors in proportion of the number of men competing. The maximum prize money allocated to women division will be 50% of the total prize money. If the women's division doesn't take place, the full amount allocated as prize money will be added to the men's division.

Different scenarios:

	Participants	Percentage
Men	32	80%
Woman	6	20%
Total	38	

	Participants	Percentage
Men	32	70%
Woman	16	30%
Total	48	

Eligibility

A competitor is eligible for any KWT event if he meets the following conditions:

- (i). He is a member of his Official National Kiteboarding Federation or Association. A valid membership card or certificate, or other satisfactory evidence of identity and membership may be requested.
- (ii). He has a personal medical insurance with worldwide coverage. A valid membership card or certificate, or other satisfactory evidence of worldwide medical coverage may be requested.
- (iii). The competitor cannot hold the KWT, the GKA or the event-organizer responsible for any claims for damages as a consequence of the competitor not having sufficient personal medical insurance.
- (iv). The competitor cannot hold the KWT, the GKA or the event-organizer responsible for any legal liabilities and/or any claims for damages by third parties caused by the competitor.
- (v). He complies with World Sailing Federation Regulation, Eligibility Code.

Entry allocation

Entries into KWT Air Games events shall be allocated according to the following table:

CATEGORY	64 Riders	48 Riders	32 Riders	24 Riders	16 Riders	12 Riders
Current KWT Ranking	1-60	1-44	1-30	1-22	1-14	1-10
Organizer Wildcard or National Ranking	61-64	45-48	31-32	23-24	15-16	11-12

One week before the event, Local Organizer Wildcards shall be approved by the KWT Sports Commission.

If any ranked competitor cannot compete in one KWT event due to an injury or other reasons, the empty spot will be given to the next highest ranked competitor.

If there isn't a national qualifier nor a wildcard ranking, competitors will be distributed in the KWT ladder according to the name drawing that shall be done by the Contest Director at the first day mandatory meeting for all competitors before the competition starts.

Seeding and Elimination Procedure

(i) The current KWT Ranking will be used for the Seeding in the ladder.

(ii) Elimination shall be single, dingle or double eliminations.

The Elimination procedure shall be:

(i). Competitors' names shall be entered on the appropriate elimination ladder for the first elimination series according to the event seeding list and the seeding distribution table of the rulebook on rule 18.3.

(ii). If there isn't a previous year nor a current ranking, competitors will be distributed in the KWT ladder according to the name drawing that shall be done by the Contest Director at the first day mandatory meeting for all competitors before the competition starts.

(iii). "Byes", if any, shall be positioned so that they are allocated to the most highly ranked competitors.

(iv). Competitors shall sail one against one in pairs, or in groups of up to 8 determined by the elimination ladder. The declared winner of each pair or the top half of the large groups shall advance on the elimination ladder. Once a round is started, the format shall stay the same until that round is completed. The format refers to either one on one or groups with the top half advancing.

GKA STAFF

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Tour Manager: Tom Hartmann

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Judge: Daniel Jimenez

Judge: Rui Meira

Judge: Alvaro Onieva

Judge: Julien Kerneur

Judge: Victor Hays

Judge: Mario Rodwald

Judge/Technical Assistant: Tanja Rosenkranz

Rulebook

The KWT Air Games rulebook will be posted on the official website <https://www.global-kitesports.org/world-tours/gka-kiteboarding-world-tour/>

Any question please contact our Tour Manager Tom Hartmann at tom@global-kitesports.org

We look forward to seeing you very soon!

The GKA Team