



GKA Freestyle Kite WORLD CUP Dunkerque, France 2023 16.08.-20.08.2023

It is a pleasure to announce the third freestyle kite event of the Qatar Airways GKA KITE WORLD TOUR 2023 which will be held in Dunkerque, France.

The dates will be from the 16th of August to the 20th of August 2023.

This is a 5-Star GKA Kite World Tour event, and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2023 GKA KWT Rulebook.

Entry procedure and Registration

All competitors planning to enter a KWT event shall pre-register through the registration link on the dedicated event page on the GKA Kite World Tour website:

https://app.gkakiteworldtour.com/

or via email to <u>tom@global-kitesports.org</u> 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 must preregister for the event through the online registration form **by 23.59h of the 05th of** July 2023.

The registration does contain:

- Full Name:
- Nationality:
- Hometown:
- Date of Birth:
- Federative License Number:
- Sponsors:
- Passport number:
- Telephone/Whatsapp:
- Facebook page:
- Instagram account:
- Email:
- Name of Caddy:





• Food specifics:

All attending riders need to have a valid membership with the GKA and 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.

Cost of entry is 125.- Euro and fees need to be paid via credit card through the online link when receiving the entry confirmation.

Every competitor needs to hold a valid GKA membership. The GKA membership needs to be obtained before or at the same time when confirming participation for an event and can be paid via the online payment link. The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition.

All entry fee and GKA membership payments must be made before the 19th July 2023 via credit card payment through the online registration tool.

Entry restrictions

- Entry-fee payments must be made no later than the end of the inscription-time at the respective event.
- After confirmation of participation, the rider will receive a payment link. Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency. In this case an amount of 40,- Euro processing fee will be added to the regular entry-fee.
- 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.

Membership

- Every competitor needs to hold a valid GKA membership. The duration of GKA membership is from the first to the last event of the current year.
- Membership fees shall be determined by the GKA at the start of the year and may be changed at any notice during the course of the year.
- At the end of the inscription-time, the rider must be able to prove a valid GKA membership. After confirmation of participation, he will receive a payment link. Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency.
- The cost of the GKA membership is 80 € for competing in one event and 160 € per year (to be paid 80 € at the first event entered and 80 € at the second event entered. The total amount of 160 € can also be paid in once at the first event for the complete year. Membership fees are excluding event fees.)
- The GKA membership fee for Local / National Wildcard holders is reduced to 20 € for competing in one event and 100 € per year (to be paid 20 € at the first event entered when receiving a wildcard and 80 € at the second event entered).
- The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition. Benefits are only provided in accordance with the current ERAG insurance policy. The GKA Kite World Tour, the GKA Event GmbH, the Global Kitesports Association e.V. cannot held liable for any legal and/or financial liability, losses, damages, which might occur from the participation in the competition/event.

Please note that the insurance is only valid for riders not competing in their country of residence. Local riders are <u>not</u> insured through their GKA membership. <u>Eligibility</u>





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
(vi). He holds a valid competitor's membership with the GKA Kite World Tour

Entry allocation

There is a maximum number of 28 male competitors and 28 female competitors entering this event. Entries into KWT events shall be allocated according to the following table:

	Kite Surf & Freestyle Discipline						
CATEGORY	28 Riders	14 Riders					
Seeding List	1-20	1-10					
GKA Wildcards	21-22	11					
Video Wildcards	23-26	12-13					
Organizer Wildcards	27-28	14					

• For GKA wildcards the KWT Sports Commission will select competitors based on their participation in past events as well as their kite merits.

• For riders aiming for Video wildcards, the athlete needs to submit a Wildcard Video application through the following online form:

- https://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/wildcard-video-applications/
- Wildcards will be seeded based on their KWT ranking whenever available. If this is not possible, they will be distributed in the KWT ladder according to rule 18.1.1.(ii)

• 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 this is not possible, the KWT Representative may grant exceptionally the available entry to another competitor prior approval from the KWT Sports Commission.

• The GKA will publish the GKA wildcard allocation on **4**th **of February 2023**, one day after the preregistration period closes. The number of injury wildcards to be granted according to rule 17.3. remains unknown until then.

• Wild card enquiries need to be done via mailing to tom@global-kitesports.org

Equipment

There are no restrictions on equipment.

Seeding

	Men			Women	
	First	Last		First	Last
1	Gianmaria	Coccoluto	1	Mikaili	Sol
2	Carlos	Mario	2	Bruna	Kajiya
3	Manoel	Soares	3	Claudia	León





4	Juan	Rodriguez
5	Valentín	Rodriguez
6	Posito	Martinez
7	Finn	Flugel
8	Valentin	Garat
9	Реуо	Cremades
10	Pedro	Alexandre
11	Maxime	Chabloz
12	Louka	Pitot
13	Arthur	Guillebert
14	Luis	Cruz
15	Karim	Mahmoud
16	Lorenzo	Calcano
17	Robin	Goetgebuer
18	Pierfrancesco	Rizzello
19	Nelson	Gomez
20	Rashid	Almansoori
21	Luca	Seer
22	Daniel	Pereira
23	Jhon	Perez
24	Duvan	Macías
25	Adeuri	Corniel
26	Jack	Rieder
27	Guilherme	Costa
28	Carlos David	Arnaun
29	Rashed	Alfalasi
29	Mohammed	Almansoori
29	Ahmed	Alkaabi
32	Erick	Anderson
33	Davi	Ribeiro
34	Matteo	Dorotini
35	Jeremy	Burlando
36	Armando	Sierra
36	Maxime	Guillis
38	Joao	Lucas
38	Leo	Verrecchia
40	Tom	Bridge
40 40	Anthar Ismael	Racca Moraes
40 43	Frank	Charris
43 44		Balbinot
44	Eros Greg	Willcocks
46	Carlito	Martinez
46 46	Andrés	Qintero
40 48	Youssif	Moussa
40 48	Hamza	Nasser
40 50	Renzo	David
50	Luis	Silva
51	Mateus	Mendez
53	Mostafa	Al Hussaini

4	Nathalie	Lambrecht
5	Alexandra	Torres
6	Therese	Taabbel
7	Rita	Arnaus
8	Estefania	Rosa
9	Matilda	Roux
10	Francesca	Bagnoli
11	Suami	Carvallo
12	Merle	Moenster
13	Karlie	Thoma
14	Cristielly	Silva
15	Naïs	Balbinot

Injury wildcard

• To be entitled to an injury wildcard, a competitor must be ranked top 16 in the KWT ranking at the time of the injury.





• In order to apply for an injury wildcard, an official medical certificate must be delivered to the KWT Sports Commission and there must be evidence that the competitor missed at least 33% of the current year events or combined two years events.

• The maximum period to be granted an injury wildcard will be 365 days from the date of their injury or until the start of next scheduled event after the 365 days.

• A rider who has received an injury wildcard will be seeded in accordance with the following when returning from injury, until the start of next scheduled event after the 365 days from the date of their injury, except if they improve their ranking:

A. If ranked in the top 4 on the KWT Rankings before the injury, the rider will be seeded 5;

B. If ranked in the top 8 on the KWT Rankings before the injury, the rider will be seeded 9;

C. If ranked in the top 16 on the KWT Rankings before the injury, the rider will be seeded 19.

Discipline

There will be only one Official Discipline in this KWT event: Twintip Freestyle (mixed format) Divisions:

- Pro Men: any age (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition)
- Pro Women: any age (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition)

IMPORTANT INFO

- Competitors have to wear the official lycra at all times when proceeding to the water also during training for optimal recognition above the harness.
- Competitors will get their names printed on their personal lycra.
- Each rider will get one competition riders' vest at the registration. Each rider is responsible for his competition riders' vests. In case of loss a replacement is not possible!
- Competitors shall wear the 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 two (2) board stickers to be placed on the top and the bottom of the board.
- 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.
- 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 lunch, snacks (sandwiches and fruits) and water 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.
- The Riders ID-Strap authorizes you to enter the equipment storage container. You will receive the Riders ID-Strap personally and only at the registration.
- 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 hashtags for all social media posts: @gkakiteworldtour #GKAKiteWorldTour #GKAfreestyle





Equipment storage

Equipment storage will available in the Congress Centre Dunkerque 15th -20th August 2023

Travel info:

Airport: There are many options to get to Dunkerque. The closest airports are

- Lille
- Ostend

Other international airports

- Brussels (2 hours by car)
- Paris (3 hours by car)

Transfers: For transfers, please contact Vincent on the below details; <u>r.vincent0799@gmail.com</u> +33 6 01 29 51 09

Organiser Contacts:

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Location Address:

Place du Centenaire 59240 Dunkerque, France

Location map:



Event Site and kite set up

Equipment Storage and athlete area







Visa/Entry Requirements:

If an invitation letter is needed for riders, please email <u>liam@global-kitesports.org</u> and he will issue you the document.

Accommodation for competitors:

Free accommodation at Ibis Hotel Dunkerque for the Top 10 riders (male) and Top 6 riders (female) from the current seeding list.

Event parking:

The car park is in "rue Tancrède" for cars or trucks only. For camping car, motor home, sleeping cars... the address is "rue Albert Brenet" that is 800 meters between Tancrède and Brenet.

Weather:

The average maximum daytime temperature in Dunkerque in August lies at 22.9°C (73.22°F). Usually, it is the warmest month of the year. The average minimum temperature goes down to around 13.6°C.

Wind direction

Northeast or Southwest Winds are favored here in Dunkerque. You can expect to see winds ranging from 13-18 knots with days also pushing 25+.

Event Schedule

Wednesday 16th August 09:00 - 10:30: Rider Inscription 11:30 – 12:30: Riders Briefing 13:00: First possible Start 18:00: Opening Ceremony

<u>Thursday 17th August</u> 10:00: Skippers Meeting 11:00: First possible start

Friday 18th August





10:00: Skippers Meeting 11:00: First possible start

<u>Saturday 19th August</u> 10:00: Skippers Meeting 11:00: First possible start

Sunday 20th August 10:00: Skippers Meeting 11:00: First possible start 17:00: Prize Giving/Closing Ceremony

Be aware that times of competition can change and will depend on weather conditions. Skippers meeting for the following day will always be communicated at the end of the previous day!

Prize money

The prizemoney for the GKA FREESTYLE WORLD CUP Dunkerque 2023 will be **30.000 Euro.** The prizemoney is paid via bank transfer by the GKA to the competitors in line with the GKA Rulebook.

27.000 Euro will be paid to the winners of the event and 3.000 Euro (10% of the event prizemoney) will go to the first 3 male and female winners of the GKA Freestyle World Tour end of year ranking, World Championship Title.

In the case of "no results" due to an Act of God (i.e.bad weather, no wind) 21**.000** Euro of the total prizemoney will distributed equally amongst all riders entered in the event. 3**.000** Euro will be kept in the GKA account for the prizemoney to be paid out to the first three male and female winners of the GKA Freestyle World Tour end of the year. 6**.000** Euro will be retained to the organizer.

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

If there are 16 or more competitors in one gender and less than 16 competitors in the other gender then the prize split will be as followed:

1. 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women

2. 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men

3. 20% of total prize money are split between Positions 5-8 of the gender with more than

16 competitors (4 riders in equal 5th place)

gender w	ith 16 or more	gender with less than 16				
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)			
1	15	1	15			
2	10	2	10			
3	8	3	8			
4	7	4	7			
Total 1-4	40	Total 1-4	40			
5	5,5					
5	5,5					
7	4,5					
7	4,5					

If there is 16 or more competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:





- 1. 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 women
- 2. 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 men

16 or	more women	16 or more men			
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)		
1	14	1	14		
2	9	2	9		
3	7	3	7		
4	6	4	6		
5	4	5	4		
5	4	5	4		
7	3	7	3		
7	3	7	3		
Total	50	Total	50		

If there is less than 16 competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:

- 1. 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
- 2. 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men

Less th	an 16 women	Less than 16 men			
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)		
1	19	1	19		
2	14	2	14		
3	3 10		10		
4	4 7		7		
Total	50	Total	50		

Scoring

- There shall be no more than 1 dingle elimination at each KWT event.
- The minimum number of elimination series to constitute a valid score at an event and in order to distribute prize money is one (1) KWT elimination ladder where the fleet has been eliminated to the top eight riders with a 28 riders Dingle or four riders with a 14 riders Dingle.
- Finishing positions in Dingle Elimination shall be scored as listed in the rule book depending on number of participants.

The elimination procedure shall be.

- Competitors' names shall be entered on the appropriate elimination ladder according to the event seeding and the heat distribution table below.
- "Byes", if any, shall be positioned so that they are allocated to the most highly ranked competitors.
- If a majority of the heats of the first round have Byes, the Race Director and Head Judge may position competitors in the next rounds based on their seeding.
- Competitors shall ride one against one, or in groups of up to 4. The declared winners shall advance on the elimination ladder.





Elimination ladders

KWT 28 Riders Dingle Elimination



KWT 14 Riders Dingle Elimination



KWT 6 Riders Dingle Elimination.

	ROUND #1			ROUND #2			FINAL				
HEAT #1	NAME	Rk.									
2										Rk	NAME
3			HEAT#3	NAME	Rk.	HEAT#4	NAME	Rk.		1	
6			2ND#2			1ST#1				2	
			3RD#1			1ST#3				3	
			2ND#1			1ST#2				4	
HEAT #2	NAME	Rk.	3RD#2			2ND#3				5	
5										5	
4											
1											

Heat Progression

- In those dingle eliminations the winner of the first-round advances to the third round, whilst the second and third advance to the second round.
- The winners and second placed rider of the second-round advance to the third round, whilst the third and fourth placed riders are out of competition.
- The winner of the third-round advance to the fifth round, whilst the second and third placed riders are re-seeded into the fourth round.





• From the fourth round on, the winner and second placed rider of the heats advance to the next round, whilst the third and fourth placed riders are out of competition, until the final.

Judging Criteria

1. Families.

a) On a regular freestyle event with decent conditions, FOUR (4) tricks will be counted for the final score out of SEVEN (7) different attempts. This could change depending on the conditions presented during competition.

b) The FOUR (4) highest tricks will be counted to the final score and only the highest score from each family will count towards the final score. Only the **highest score will be counted inside each family** (evolution of the trick).



Maximum trick score potential is 40 points + 7 points (Max variety score) = 47 points.

2. NEW Variety score.

In order to push variety, different manoeuvres, and reward the most complete rider, some of the old families has been merged into one single family:





Variety score up to 3 out of 4 (Different sub-families)						Variety score up to 1 out of 1		Variety score up to 1 out of 1		Variety score up to 1 out of 1	Variety score up to 1 or	ut of 1		
			1.HEE	EL SIDE FAMILY				2. TOE SIDE/BLIND FAMILY		3. REWINDS		4.COMBOS 5.KITELOOP OR DOW		VNLOOPS
SUB FAMILY 1	FAMILY 1 SUB FAMILY 2 SUB FAMILY 3 SUB FAMILY 4 5		SUB-FAMILY		SUB-FAMILY		SUB-FAMILY	SUB-FAMILY						
Raley	R	Back to Blind	828	Hinterberger to wrapped	H2W	Back Roll to wrapped	BR2W	90210	90210	313 to blind	31328	Combo tricks (Switch tricks counted)	Any kiteloop or downloop handle pass	coombination
Krypt	ĸ		828		HF83	Back Mobe	BM	Oh Really	OR	BS 313 to wrapped	863132W			
Back Roll	BR	KGB	KGB	Hinterberger Frontside 5	HFS5	Back Mobe 5	BM5	Oh Really 7	OR7	KGS to wrapped	KG82W			
Front Roll	FR		KGB5		HFS7	Back Mobe 7	BM7	Toeside Railey to Blind	TSR2B	58m to blind	528			
S-bead	SB		KGB7		HFS9	Back Mobe 9	BM9	Toeside Backside 180	TSBS180					
Double s-bend	2xSB					Front Blind	FB	Toeside Backside 313	TSBS313					
Double Half Cab	2xHB	Deuble back to blind		Double Hinterberger Frontside 3		Front Blind Mobe	FBM	Toeside Backside 316	T985315					
Frontside 3	FS3	Deuble KGB		Double Hinterberger Frontside 5		Front Blind Mobe 5	FBM5	Pote Rose	PR					
Frontside 5	FS5	Front roll to wrapped		Double Hinterberger Frontside 7		Front Blind Mobe 7	FBM7	Pete Rose 5	PR5					
Frontside 7	ES7	Stim	SLIM	Double Hinterberger Frontside 9	2XHFS9	Double Half Cab Mobe	H2XCM	Pate Rose 7	PR7					
Frontside 9	FS9	Slim 5	SLIM5	S-Bend to Blind	SB2B			G-Spot	GS					
Frontside 10	FS10	Slim 7	SLIM7	S-Bend backside 1	SBBS1			Blind Pete	1P					
Toeside Backside 1	TSBS1	Slin 9	SLIM9	Heart Attack	HA			Blind Peto 5	8P5					
Toeside Backside 3	TSBS3	S-Mobe	SM		HA5			Crow Mobe	СМ					
Toeside Backside 5	TSB55	S-Mobe 5	SM5	Heart Attack 7	HA7			Crow Mobe 5	CM5					
Torside Backside 7	TSBS7	S-Mobe 7	SM7	Heart Attack 9	HA9			Crow Mobe 7	CM7					
Torside Backside 9	TSBS9	S-Mobe 9	SM9	Double S-Bend to Blind	2XSB2B			Teotaie Roll	TR					
Toeside Bockside 10	TSBS10			Double S-Bend backside I	2XSBBS1			Dum Dum	DD					
Backside 1	BSI			Double Heart Attack	2XHA			Den Dun 5	DD5					
Backside 3	BS3			Double Heart Amack 5	2XHA5			Dum Dum 7	007					
Backside 5	B\$5			Double Heart Attack 7	2XHA7									
Backside 7	B\$7													
Backside 9	B59													
Backside 10	B\$10													
Toeside Frontside 3	TSFS3													
Toeside Frontside 5	TSFS5													
Toeside Frontside 7	TSFS7													
Toeside Frontside 9	TSFS9													
Toeside Frontside 10	TSFS10													
Railey to blind	R2B													
Blind Judge	BJ													
Backside 313	B\$313													
Backside 315	B\$315													
Backside 317	B\$317													
Backside 319	B\$319													
Backside 3110	B\$3110													
Railey to wrapped	R2W													
313	313													
315	315													
317	317													
319	319													
3110	3110													

a) There will be an additional/bonus score at the end of the heat depending how many variety columns have you scored.

b) The Maximum variety score you can reach at the end of your heat is 7 points. You will reach SEVEN (7) points once you've tapped four different families/sub-families with your FOUR (4) counted tricks.

c) The Family 1. HEEL-SIDE TRICKS will have FOUR (4) different Sub-families:

For the Men's discipline, the **maximum variety potential score** is 4 points. When counting for the final score **three different tricks on three different Sub-families** (Only inside the heel-side family for men division).

To reach the maximum variety score potential, some other Families (2, 3, 4 or 5) must be reached (7 points).

Example: BS317 + KGB5 + HEART ATTACK 7 + FMB = 4 points variety. BS317 + KGB5 + HEART ATTACK 7 + 310 (313 to blind) = 7 points variety.

Also its possible to get max variety score by using other families:

Example: 313 + CROW MOBE 5 + COMBO + KITELOOP FS 360 = 7 points variety.

For the Women there is no limitation. You can score a maximum variety potential score when reaching the 4 different subfamilies on family 1 or any other of the families. Example: BS313 + SLIM + HEART ATTACK + FRONT BLIND = 7 points variety.

d) The variety bonus will increase accordingly the more you reach via sub-families/families:

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1x sub-family/family = 1
2x sub-family/family = 2
3x sub-family/family = 4
4x sub-family/family (max 3 sub-family in family 1 for men) = 7
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e) Judge Criteria for Combos: The entire combination of the tricks will be counted as a unique score; judge criteria will be same as freestyle tricks, rewarding specifically the explosivity and linking in between tricks, creativity, combinations, toe or blindside and switch tricks. This combo trick will be score on his own scale from 0.1 to 10 points.

3. Open Format.

The format will be kept open regarding the conditions however, if the conditions are not suitable for a proper freestyle performance this could then turn into a pure big air competition. Either will be pure freestyle format or pure big air format. The decision will be made by the sport commission and be announced 30 minutes before the change.

Rulebook

https://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/rulebooks/2023/GKA%20Kite%20World%20Tour%20Rulebook%202023 .pdf

Covid-19 Pandemic Disclaimer

Every competitor must be aware of the Covid-19 pandemic situation and its changing restrictions and regulations on travel protocols and event regulations. In case the event will be cancelled because of reasons not under the responsibility of the GKA, the GKA Event GmbH and/or the Organizer, neither the GKA, nor the GKA Event GmbH, nor the Organizer can be hold legally responsible for any financial losses.

The rider is aware about the global Covid-19 pandemic, which might cause travel restrictions, the changing of laws and custom-procedures worldwide on very short notice. Each rider takes part in the event at his or her own risk, which includes also all travels because of his or her participation at this event. Each rider is responsible for ensuring and fulfilling all relevant individual travel requirements as well as fulfilling all legal requirements for border controls, which are necessary for the participation in the event and for the return home. The GKA, the GKA Event GmbH and the event Organizer cannot be held legal and/or financial liable by the rider for damage and/or financial losses caused by travel restrictions, quarantine measures, flight changes or flight cancellations, tests required for entering or exit countries or because of any other regional, national or international measures associated with the Covid-19 Pandemic.

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As a competitor, I agree to respect the racing rules and in particular:

- 1- to display visibly the sailing-number attributed to me.
- 2- to wear the official event-competition-lycra at all times when proceeding to the water (also during training) as well as during interviews, official presentations and on podium.
- 3- to wear a life jacket and safety helmet during the competition,
- 4- to follow the recommendations and/or instructions provided by the crew.
- 5- to place board stickers (GKA Kite World Tour & Event sponsor) on the top and on the bottom of the board at all time during the event (competitions, interviews, media conferences, award ceremony...).
- 6- to take note that all rider meetings, opening/closing ceremonies and media conferences requested by the Event Organizer are mandatory to all riders. I assure that I'll be on time and ready.
- 7- I'm aware that a non-observance of this rule will incur a fine of up to 500 USD. Any competitor finishing in the top 3 positions who fails to attend the awards ceremony on time
 without being justified by a force of major circumstance will incur a fine equal to their





earned prize money for the event. Furthermore fine can incure an additional penalty of up to 1.000 USD and suspension for the next event.

GKA Staff at the Visit Qatar GKA Freestyle Kite World Cup Dunkerque 2023

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We look forward to seeing you very soon!

The GKA Team

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