



Copa Kitley GKA Kite-Surf & Hydrofoil-Freestyle WORLD CUP

Cauipe, Brazil 2023

14.11.-18.11.2023

It is a pleasure to announce the final Kite-Surf and Hydrofoil-Freestyle event of the GKA KITE WORLD TOUR 2023

which will be held in Cauipe, Cumbuco, Brazil.

The dates will be from the 14th of November to the 18th of November 2023.

This is a 4-Star GKA Kite World Tour event and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2023 GKA KWT Rulebook.

Registration

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 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 must preregister for the event through the online registration form **by 23.59h of the 14th of October 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 for each discipline. - 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 24th of November 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.

Eligibility

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

- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- He complies with World Sailing Federation Regulation, Eligibility Code
- He holds a valid competitors membership with the GKA Kite World Tour

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 one (1) board sticker to be placed on the top and on 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 Euro 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 breakfast and lunch and dinner provided for all competitors.
- Each rider is entitled to register one caddy. Caddies will have free access to the Riders Lounge!
- Caddies will have access to the launching area and the equipment tent, to help their fellow riders with their kite equipment, starting and landing's.
- 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 hash tags for all social media posts:

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 **not** insured through their GKA membership.

Equipment storage

Equipment storage container at the competition spot will be available from 14.-18.11.2023

Travel info

Airports: Fortaleza is the closet airport and is roughly 60 minutes from Cauipe event site.

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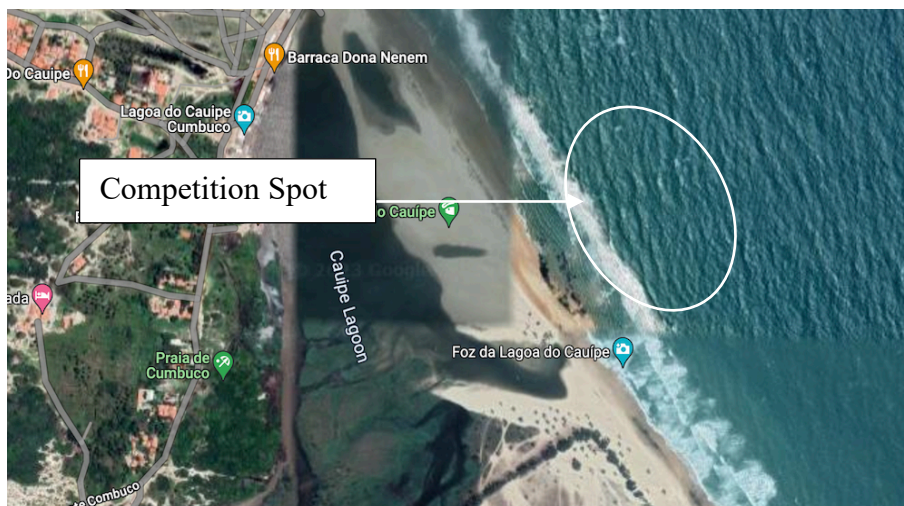
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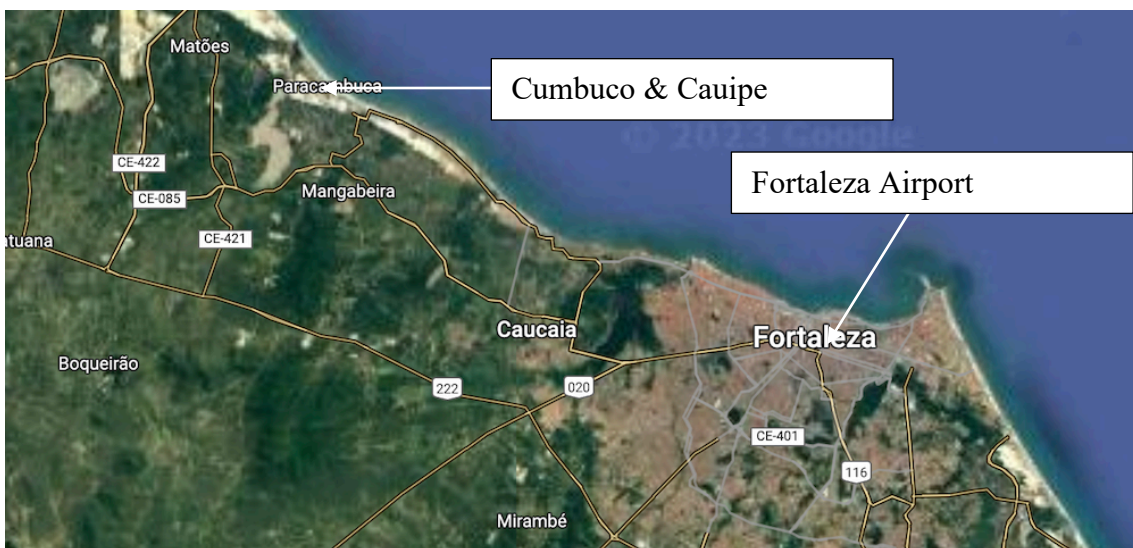
Cauipe Beach,
Cumbuco,
Brazil

Travel documents and Visa:

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

Location map:





Accommodation for competitors:

Accommodation providers will be announced shortly.

Weather:

The average weather in Cumbuco during November for a typical day range from a high of 32 degrees Celsius and a low of 26. The average day during November has roughly 12 hours of daylight, with sunrise around 05:15 and sunset at 17:30

Wind Information

The wind in Cauipe blows at an average of 15-25 knots. At the competition spot the wind direction is cross-onshore.

Event Schedule

- Tuesday 14th November**
 09:00-10:30 – Inscription
 11:00 – Opening Ceremony
 12:00 – Riders Briefing

13:00 - First Possible start for competition

Wednesday 15th November

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Thursday 16th November

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Friday 17th November

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Saturday 18th November

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start
20:00 – Prizegiving and 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!

Disciplines

There will be One Official Disciplines in this KWT event:

- **Kite-Surf (Wave and Strapless Freestyle)**
- **Hydrofoil-Freestyle**

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)

Entry Allocation – Kitesurf & Freestyle Discipline

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
TOP 20	1-20
GKA Wildcards	21-22
Video Wildcards	23-26
Organizer Wildcards	27-28




























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

2. For riders aiming for Video wildcards, the athlete needs to submit a Wildcard Video application through the Rider app.
3. 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)
4. 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.
5. The GKA will publish the GKA wildcard allocation on **16th October**, one day after the preregistration period closes. The number of injury wildcards to be granted according to rule 17.3. remains unknown until then.
6. Wild card enquiries need to be done via mailing to tom@global-kitesports.org

Seeding - Kitesurf Discipline

The seeding for the upcoming Kite-Surf event in Brazil, will be done according to the world ranking after Morocco.

POS	RIDER
1	 Airton Cozzolino
2	 Matchu Lopes
3	 Pedro Matos
4	 Sebastian Ribeiro
5	 Hendrick Lopes
6	 Reece Myerscough
7	 Gabriel Benetton
8	 Charly Martin
9	 Theo Demanez
10	 Clement Roseyro
11	 Matt Maxwell
12	 Nicola Abadjiev
13	 Camille Delannoy
14	 Yaris Dell'omo
15	 kiko roig
16	 Gray Foster
17	 Kelton Lopes
18	 Mitu Monteiro
19	 Keanu Merten
20	 Mohamed ali Beqqali
21	 Filippe Ferreira
21	 Igor pestana
23	 Arsenio Dias
1	 Moona Whyte
2	 Capucine Delannoy
3	 Camille Losserand
4	 Zoe Bazile
5	 Kesiane Rodrigues
6	 Serena Luz
7	 Clémence Derrien
7	 Charlotte Carpentier
9	 Daniela Moreno
10	 Sofia Monti
11	 Sonja Bunte
11	 Susanne Schwarztrauber
13	 Milla Ferreira
14	 Bruna Kajiya
15	 Barbara Sgardello
15	 Astrid Cheylus
17	 Simona Schatzmann
18	 Julia Castro
18	 Julia Borghi
18	 Irati Fonseca
18	 Manuela Jungo
22	 Gemma Soloman

24	 Artur Morais
24	 Leonardo Grangeiro
26	 Swann Renoux
27	 Alemao Roehe
28	 Lorenzo Casati
28	 James storm Carew
28	 Titik Lopes
31	 Alex Middeler
32	 Elvis Nunes
33	 Achraf Bentajar
33	 Mounim Maji
33	 Ofek Shalgi
33	 Yuri Neves
33	 Hamza Addi
33	 Abdu Moutaouakil
39	 Tim Sermon
39	 Louis Gossart
39	 Linus Erdmann
39	 Lance Krüger
39	 Daniel Weber
39	 Bennet Hoop
45	 Victor Ribas
45	 Leo Chines
45	 Breno Barbosa
48	 Luca Gasperini
48	 Francesco Cappuzzo
48	 Robertney Barros
51	 Johannes Sarny
51	 Javier Fernandez
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53	 Raoni Lemos
53	 Luis Bulcão
53	 Bruno De Laurentis
53	 Sergio Caio
57	 Pablo Amores
57	 Ricardo Bettancourt
57	 Jairo Neto

Seeding – Hydrofoil-Freestyle Discipline

The seeding for the upcoming Hydrofoil-Freestyle event in Brazil, will be done according to the world ranking from 2022.

MEN	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
1	Charles	Brodel
2	Alex	Soto
3	Maxime	Chabloz
4	Maxime	Desjardins
5	Hunter	Becker
5	Finn	Flugel
5	Antonin	Rangin
5	Ryan	Parsons
9	Theo	Lhostis
9	Pedro	Silva
9	Baptiste	Bourdoulous
9	Remy	Kryzstofiak
13	Joppe	Van de Poll

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:
 - If ranked in the top 4 on the KWT Rankings before the injury, the rider will be seeded 5;
 - If ranked in the top 8 on the KWT Rankings before the injury, the rider will be seeded 9;
 - If ranked in the top 16 on the KWT Rankings before the injury, the rider will be seeded 19.

Prize money – Kitesurf & Freestyle Discipline

The prize money for the GKA KITE-SURF WORLD CUP in Cauipe, Brazil will be **25.000 Euro**. The prize money is paid cash by the organiser to the competitors in line with the Rulebook.

22.500 Euro will be paid to the winners of the event and 2.500 Euro (10% of the event prizemoney) will go to the first 3 male and female winners of the GKA Kite-Surf World Tour end of year ranking, World Championship Title.

The prize money for the GKA Hydrofoil-Freestyle in Cauipe, Brazil will be **10.000 Euro**. The prize money is paid cash by the organiser to the competitors in line with the Rulebook.

9.000 Euro will be paid to the winners of the event and 1.000 Euro (10% of the event prizemoney) will go to the first 3 male and female winners of the GKA Kite-Surf 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) 20.000 Euro of the total prizemoney will be distributed equally amongst all riders entered in the event, 2.500 Euro will go back to the organiser and 2.500 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 Kite-Surf World Tour end of the year.

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

- 1) if there is 16 or more competitors in one gender and less than 16 competitors in the other gender then the prize split will be as followed:

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

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

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 with 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		
5	5		
Total 5-8	20		

- 2)

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

50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 women

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	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5

The number of waves ridden from each competitor towards the final result shall be decided by the Head Judge in consultation with the Riders Representative and posted in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.

If a judge misses a wave ride, or part of the wave ride, they should place an “M” and that score will be given points equal to the average to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 to be rounded upward) of the other judges’ scores.

The Head Judge may re- run the heat according to rule 22.1.4, if all judges miss a wave ridden and there is strong evidence that the wave ridden was missed by all the judges and this wave ridden had a scoring potential that may change the final result. It’s important to note that the emphasis of certain elements is contingent upon the location and the conditions on the day, as well as changes of conditions during the day. Competitors must combine the major key elements in order to be awarded scores in the excellent range.

Strapless Freestyle:

The competition area shall be defined in the Sailing Instructions or in the way indicated in the Official Notice Board at least fifteen (15) minutes before the start of the heat. A diagram is recommended.

Competitors shall be scored while being in the designated competition area. Whether a competitor is in or out of the competition area, will be at the discretion of the senior judge on the relevant panel and the Head Judge.

Overall Impression Scoring:

There is no limitation of a maximum number of trick attempts per heat. Judges will not assign numerical values to each tricks. They will have a shorthand notation for taking brief notes of the jumps performed on each tack during the heat. They will also write a final score based on the following categories:

* 10 points Technical Difficulty: The technical difficulty and height of a trick landed during the heat. As the wind conditions increase, this aspect will exponentially become more and more into consideration, but only when the height is achieved along with risk factor and technical difficulty.

* 10 points Variety: Variety of tricks completed during the heat on both tacks. Repetition of tricks on the same tack will decrease the chances of winning the heat. Repetition of tricks on both tacks (switch tricks) will increase the chances of winning the heat.

* 10 points Overall impression: Considering style, quality vs quantity, innovation and “wow” factor.

Trick by trick Scoring:

There is a limitation of a maximum of 12 trick attempts per heat.

Only the best 5 tricks with the highest individual scores from different trick categories will count towards the final score from each competitor. One per category, except BOARD OFF and KITE LOOP categories, that can count two.

The amount of trick attempt to count towards the final score will be announced by the Head Judge and posted in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.

If a competitor “butt checks” when landing the trick and doesn’t lose the board, the judges will still give some credit to the trick. It’s at the discretion of each judge to consider if it’s a crash or a butt check and to consider how much credit they will give to the trick.

The credit given to butt checked trick landings is directly related to the risk factor involved in the execution of the trick. For tricks with a high degree of risk factor, judges won’t deduct points for a butt-checked landing.

A trick is a crash only if the majority of the judges consider it as a crash. If the minority of the judges consider a trick as a crash, those crashes will be withdrawn and the judges will reconsider the trick in the other scoring categories

If a judge misses a trick, he should place a “M” and he has to consult to the Head Judge before giving the final score of the heat.

The Head Judge may re-run the heat if all judges miss a trick and there is strong evidence that the trick was missed by all the judges and this trick may change the final result.

Judges may not change their scores. If there are any mistake the judge should have the Head Judge make the correction for them.

In case of tie, it will be broken in favor of the competitor with the highest single score. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, each competitor’s individual scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, even if some of them are excluded scores, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favor of the competitor with the best individual score.

Trick categories:

The tricks repertoire has been broken down into the following tricks families. The list of tricks included by family is not extensive, and not limited to the described tricks below but gives an indication about how different tricks are being categorized by the judges. The Head Judge has the final say when categorizing a new trick.

STRAPLESS TRICKLIST 2021

* Coloured fields (except white) are sub-categories. Only one trick within each sub-category can count towards the final score.

AIR TRICKS (1 TRICK)	BOARD OFFS / RODEOS (2 TRICKS)	KITELOOPS (2 TRICKS)		
AIR	ONE FOOT	OF	KITELOOP	KL
AIR TO BLIND	BOARD OFF	BO	KITELOOP BOARD OFF	KLBO
BODY 360	RODEO	R	KITELOOP RODEO	KLR
AIR REVERSE	FRONT ROLL ONE FOOT	FR0F	KITELOOP BACKROLL	KLBR
AIR 360	BACK ROLL ONE FOOT	BR0F	KITELOOP DOUBLE BACKROLL	KL2BR
TOESIDE AIR	HAND STAND	HS	KITELOOP BACKROLL BOARD OFF	KLBRBO
TOESIDE AIR REVERSE	HAND STAND 360	HS360	KITELOOP DOUBLE BACKROLL BOARD OFF	KL2BRBO
TOESIDE AIR 360	JESUS WALK	JW	KITELOOP RODEO BACKROLL	KLRBR
TOESIDE AIR 540	BARE FOOT	BF	KITELOOP RODEO DOUBLE BACKROLL	KLR2BR
TOESIDE AIR 720	HAND VARIAL	HV	KITELOOP RODEO TRIPLE BACKROLL	KLR3BR
AIR TRICKS INNOVATION	FRONT ROLL HAND VARIAL	FRHV	KITELOOP FRONTROLL (BOOGIE)	KLFR
	BACK ROLL SUPERMAN	BRS	KITELOOP DOUBLE FRONTROLL	KL2FR
	TIC TAC	TT	KITELOOP FRONTROLL BOARD OFF (BOOGIE)	KLFRBO
	TIC TAC REWIND	TTRE	KITELOOP DOUBLE FRONTROLL BOARD OFF	KL2FRBO
	TIC TAC RODEO	TTK	KITELOOP RODEO FRONTROLL (BOOGIE)	KLFRFR
	DOUBLE TIC TAC	2TT	KITELOOP RODEO DOUBLE FRONTROLL	KL2FRFR
	FLIP	FL	KITELOOP TIC TAC	KLTT
	RODEO FLIP	RFL	KITELOOP FLIP	KLFL
	TIC TAC FLIP	TTFL	CONTRALOOP BACKROLL BOARD OFF	CLBRBO
	TIC TAC RODEO FLIP	TTFRFL	CONTRALOOP BACKROLL RODEO	CLBR
	FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF	FRBO	CONTRALOOP BACKROLL TIC TAC	CLBRTT
	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF	2FRBO	CONTRALOOP BACKROLL FLIP	CLBRFL
	TRIPLE FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF	3FRBO	CONTRALOOP BACKROLL RODEO FLIP	CLBRFRFL
	FRONT ROLL RODEO	FRR	CONTRALOOP BACKROLL RODEO TIC TAC	CLBRRTTT
	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL RODEO	2FRR	KITELOOPS INNOVATION	KLI
	TRIPLE FRONT ROLL RODEO	3FRR		
	BACK ROLL BOARD OFF	BRBO		
	DOUBLE BACK ROLL BOARD OFF	2BRBO		
	TRIPLE BACK ROLL BOARD OFF	3BRBO		
	BACK ROLL RODEO	BRR		
	DOUBLE BACK ROLL RODEO	2BRR		
	TRIPLE BACK ROLL RODEO	3BRR		
	FRONT ROLL TIC TAC	FRTT		
	FRONT ROLL RODEO TIC TAC	FRTRT		
	FRONT ROLL TIC TAC REWIND	FRTRRE		
	FRONT ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC	FR2TT		
	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TIC TAC	2FRTT		
	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TIC TAC RODEO	2FRTRT		
	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TIC TAC REWIND	2FRTRRE		
	FRONT ROLL FLIP	FRFL		
	FRONT ROLL TIC TAC FLIP	FRTFPL		
	BACK ROLL TIC TAC	BRTT		
	BACK ROLL TIC TAC RODEO	BRTRT		
	DOUBLE BACK ROLL TIC TAC	2BRTT		
	BACK ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC	BR2TT		
	BACK ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC RODEO	BR2TRT		
	BACK ROLL TRIPLE TIC TAC	BR3TT		
	BACK ROLL FLIP	BRF		
	BACK ROLL DOUBLE FLIP	BR2F		
	BACK ROLL TIC TAC FLIP	BRTF		
	BACK ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC FLIP	BR2TF		
	BACK ROLL TIC TAC RODEO FLIP	BRTRTF		
	BOARD OFF RODEO INNOVATION	BOFI		
			KICK TRICKS (SHOVE-IT) (1 TRICK)	
			SHOVE-IT	SH
			SHOVE-IT 3	SH3
			SHOVE-IT 5	SH5
			SHOVE-IT 7	SH7
			ONE FOOT SHOVE-IT 3	OFSH3
			VARIAL FLIP	VFL
			FLIP 3	FL3
			FRONTSIDE BIG SPIN	FSBS
			BACKSIDE BIG SPIN	BSBS
			BACK ROLL SHOVE IT 3	BRSH3
			FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 3	FRSH3
			FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 5	FRSH5
			FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 7	FRSH7
			DOUBLE FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 3	2FRSH3
			TOESIDE AIR 360 SHOVE IT 3	TSAS3SH3
			KICK TRICKS INNOVATION	KTI

In order to bring the variety criteria into effect, only the highest score per trick family will count towards the final heat score from each competitor.

Judging Criteria:

Judges will assign numerical values to each trick attempt based on the following judging criterias:

(i) Height and amplitude – The combination of height and amplitude of the tricks completed during the heat. As the wind conditions increase, this aspect will exponentially become more and more into consideration, but only when the height and amplitude are achieved along with risk factor and technical difficulty.

(ii) Technical Difficulty – The technical difficulty of tricks completed during the heat. A grabbed trick will be rewarded with a higher score than a non-grabbed trick within this criteria, depending on the quality of the execution.

(iii) Power – The power during the execution of the tricks. Power will be considered as a combination of speed into the trick to pop and speed out during the landing, height and amplitude during the trick.

(iv) Risk factor – Is directly linked to the power, height, amplitude and technical difficulty of the jump, but also to the commitment of the competitor and physical challenge during the execution, duration of the critical moment, and energy on the execution.

(v) Smoothness – Smoothness and fluidity during the execution and landing of tricks completed during the heat.

(vi) Innovation – Tricks that have never been landed in competition before.

Elimination ladders – Hydrofoil Freestyle

The elimination ladder used for the KWT Hydrofoil freestyle event shall be Dingle.

- KWT 24 Riders Dingle Elimination

ROUND #1		ROUND #2		ROUND #3		ROUND #4		SEMI FINALS		FINALS		Rk.	NAME
Heat	Seed	Name											
1	1,7		8,7	2NDW1 / BRDQ1		11,7	11W1		20,7	11W1 / 11W2		31	11W1
	13,7		12,7	2NDW2 / BRDQ2		11,7	11W3		20,7	11W3 / 11W4		32	11W3
2	3,7		10,7	2NDW3 / BRDQ3		11,7	11W5		20,7	11W5 / 11W6		33	11W5
	15,7		11,7	2NDW4 / BRDQ4		11,7	11W7		20,7	11W7 / 11W8		34	11W7
3	5,7		9,7	2NDW5 / BRDQ5		11,7	11W9		20,7	11W9 / 11W10		35	11W9
	17,7		12,7	2NDW6 / BRDQ6		11,7	11W11		20,7	11W11 / 11W12		36	11W11
4	1,7		13,7	2NDW7 / BRDQ7		11,7	11W13		20,7	11W13 / 11W14		37	11W13
	19,7		14,7	2NDW8 / BRDQ8		11,7	11W15		20,7	11W15 / 11W16		38	11W15
5	3,7		15,7	2NDW9 / BRDQ9		11,7	11W17		20,7	11W17 / 11W18		39	11W17
	21,7		16,7	2NDW10 / BRDQ10		11,7	11W19		20,7	11W19 / 11W20		40	11W19
6	5,7		17,7	2NDW11 / BRDQ11		11,7	11W21		20,7	11W21 / 11W22		41	11W21
	23,7		18,7	2NDW12 / BRDQ12		11,7	11W23		20,7	11W23 / 11W24		42	11W23
7	7,7		19,7	2NDW13 / BRDQ13		11,7	11W25		20,7	11W25 / 11W26		43	11W25
	25,7		20,7	2NDW14 / BRDQ14		11,7	11W27		20,7	11W27 / 11W28		44	11W27
8	9,7		21,7	2NDW15 / BRDQ15		11,7	11W29		20,7	11W29 / 11W30		45	11W29
	27,7		22,7	2NDW16 / BRDQ16		11,7	11W31		20,7	11W31 / 11W32		46	11W31
9	1,7		23,7	2NDW17 / BRDQ17		11,7	11W33		20,7	11W33 / 11W34		47	11W33
	29,7		24,7	2NDW18 / BRDQ18		11,7	11W35		20,7	11W35 / 11W36		48	11W35
10	3,7		25,7	2NDW19 / BRDQ19		11,7	11W37		20,7	11W37 / 11W38		49	11W37
	31,7		26,7	2NDW20 / BRDQ20		11,7	11W39		20,7	11W39 / 11W40		50	11W39
11	5,7		27,7	2NDW21 / BRDQ21		11,7	11W41		20,7	11W41 / 11W42		51	11W41
	33,7		28,7	2NDW22 / BRDQ22		11,7	11W43		20,7	11W43 / 11W44		52	11W43
12	7,7		29,7	2NDW23 / BRDQ23		11,7	11W45		20,7	11W45 / 11W46		53	11W45
	35,7		30,7	2NDW24 / BRDQ24		11,7	11W47		20,7	11W47 / 11W48		54	11W47
13	9,7		31,7	2NDW25 / BRDQ25		11,7	11W49		20,7	11W49 / 11W50		55	11W49
	37,7		32,7	2NDW26 / BRDQ26		11,7	11W51		20,7	11W51 / 11W52		56	11W51
14	1,7		33,7	2NDW27 / BRDQ27		11,7	11W53		20,7	11W53 / 11W54		57	11W53
	39,7		34,7	2NDW28 / BRDQ28		11,7	11W55		20,7	11W55 / 11W56		58	11W55
15	3,7		35,7	2NDW29 / BRDQ29		11,7	11W57		20,7	11W57 / 11W58		59	11W57
	41,7		36,7	2NDW30 / BRDQ30		11,7	11W59		20,7	11W59 / 11W60		60	11W59
16	5,7		37,7	2NDW31 / BRDQ31		11,7	11W61		20,7	11W61 / 11W62		61	11W61
	43,7		38,7	2NDW32 / BRDQ32		11,7	11W63		20,7	11W63 / 11W64		62	11W63
17	7,7		39,7	2NDW33 / BRDQ33		11,7	11W65		20,7	11W65 / 11W66		63	11W65
	45,7		40,7	2NDW34 / BRDQ34		11,7	11W67		20,7	11W67 / 11W68		64	11W67
18	9,7		41,7	2NDW35 / BRDQ35		11,7	11W69		20,7	11W69 / 11W70		65	11W69
	47,7		42,7	2NDW36 / BRDQ36		11,7	11W71		20,7	11W71 / 11W72		66	11W71
19	1,7		43,7	2NDW37 / BRDQ37		11,7	11W73		20,7	11W73 / 11W74		67	11W73
	49,7		44,7	2NDW38 / BRDQ38		11,7	11W75		20,7	11W75 / 11W76		68	11W75
20	3,7		45,7	2NDW39 / BRDQ39		11,7	11W77		20,7	11W77 / 11W78		69	11W77
	51,7		46,7	2NDW40 / BRDQ40		11,7	11W79		20,7	11W79 / 11W80		70	11W79
21	5,7		47,7	2NDW41 / BRDQ41		11,7	11W81		20,7	11W81 / 11W82		71	11W81
	53,7		48,7	2NDW42 / BRDQ42		11,7	11W83		20,7	11W83 / 11W84		72	11W83
22	7,7		49,7	2NDW43 / BRDQ43		11,7	11W85		20,7	11W85 / 11W86		73	11W85
	55,7		50,7	2NDW44 / BRDQ44		11,7	11W87		20,7	11W87 / 11W88		74	11W87
23	9,7		51,7	2NDW45 / BRDQ45		11,7	11W89		20,7	11W89 / 11W90		75	11W89
	57,7		52,7	2NDW46 / BRDQ46		11,7	11W91		20,7	11W91 / 11W92		76	11W91
24	1,7		53,7	2NDW47 / BRDQ47		11,7	11W93		20,7	11W93 / 11W94		77	11W93
	59,7		54,7	2NDW48 / BRDQ48		11,7	11W95		20,7	11W95 / 11W96		78	11W95
25	3,7		55,7	2NDW49 / BRDQ49		11,7	11W97		20,7	11W97 / 11W98		79	11W97
	61,7		56,7	2NDW50 / BRDQ50		11,7	11W99		20,7	11W99 / 11W100		80	11W99
26	5,7		57,7	2NDW51 / BRDQ51		11,7	11W101		20,7	11W101 / 11W102		81	11W101
	63,7		58,7	2NDW52 / BRDQ52		11,7	11W103		20,7	11W103 / 11W104		82	11W103
27	7,7		59,7	2NDW53 / BRDQ53		11,7	11W105		20,7	11W105 / 11W106		83	11W105
	65,7		60,7	2NDW54 / BRDQ54		11,7	11W107		20,7	11W107 / 11W108		84	11W107
28	9,7		61,7	2NDW55 / BRDQ55		11,7	11W109		20,7	11W109 / 11W110		85	11W109
	67,7		62,7	2NDW56 / BRDQ56		11,7	11W111		20,7	11W111 / 11W112		86	11W111
29	1,7		63,7	2NDW57 / BRDQ57		11,7	11W113		20,7	11W113 / 11W114		87	11W113
	69,7		64,7	2NDW58 / BRDQ58		11,7	11W115		20,7	11W115 / 11W116		88	11W115
30	3,7		65,7	2NDW59 / BRDQ59		11,7	11W117		20,7	11W117 / 11W118		89	11W117
	71,7		66,7	2NDW60 / BRDQ60		11,7	11W119		20,7	11W119 / 11W120		90	11W119
31	5,7		67,7	2NDW61 / BRDQ61		11,7	11W121		20,7	11W121 / 11W122		91	11W121
	73,7		68,7	2NDW62 / BRDQ62		11,7	11W123		20,7	11W123 / 11W124		92	11W123
32	7,7		69,7	2NDW63 / BRDQ63		11,7	11W125		20,7	11W125 / 11W126		93	11W125
	75,7		70,7	2NDW64 / BRDQ64		11,7	11W127		20,7	11W127 / 11W128		94	11W127
33	9,7		71,7	2NDW65 / BRDQ65		11,7	11W129		20,7	11W129 / 11W130		95	11W129
	77,7		72,7	2NDW66 / BRDQ66		11,7	11W131		20,7	11W131 / 11W132		96	11W131
34	1,7		73,7	2NDW67 / BRDQ67		11,7	11W133		20,7	11W133 / 11W134		97	11W133
	79,7		74,7	2NDW68 / BRDQ68		11,7	11W135		20,7	11W135 / 11W136		98	11W135
35	3,7		75,7	2NDW69 / BRDQ69		11,7	11W137		20,7	11W137 / 11W138		99	11W137
	81,7		76,7	2NDW70 / BRDQ70		11,7	11W139		20,7	11W139 / 11W140		100	11W139
36	5,7		77,7	2NDW71 / BRDQ71		11,7	11W141		20,7	11W141 / 11W142		101	11W141
	83,7		78,7	2NDW72 / BRDQ72		11,7	11W143		20,7	11W143 / 11W144		102	11W143
37	7,7		79,7	2NDW73 / BRDQ73		11,7	11W145		20,7	11W145 / 11W146		103	11W145
	85,7		80,7	2NDW74 / BRDQ74		11,7	11W147		20,7	11W147 / 11W148		104	11W147
38	9,7		81,7	2NDW75 / BRDQ75		11,7	11W149		20,7	11W149 / 11W150		105	11W149
	87,7		82,7	2NDW76 / BRDQ76		11,7	11W151		20,7	11W151 / 11W152		106	11W151
39	1,7		83,7	2NDW77 / BRDQ77		11,7	11W153		20,7	11W153 / 11W154		107	11W153
	89,7		84,7	2NDW78 / BRDQ78		11,7	11W155		20,7	11W155 / 11W156		108	11W155
40	3,7		85,7	2NDW79 / BRDQ79		11,7	11W157		20,7	11W157 / 11W158		109	11W157
	91,7		86,7	2NDW80 / BRDQ80		11,7	11W159		20,7	11W159 / 11W160		110	11W159
41	5,7		87,7	2NDW81 / BRDQ81		11,7	11W161		20,7	11W161 / 11W162		111	11W161
	93,7		88,7	2NDW82 / BRDQ82		11,7	11W163		20,7	11W163 / 11W164		112	1

- In order to bring the variety criteria into effect, only the highest score per trick category may count towards the final heat score from each competitor.

Scoring Procedure

Judging Criteria are applied to score the quality of the execution of each individual tricks. Each judge analyze the following major elements when scoring a trick:

1. Technical Difficulty – The technical difficulty of tricks completed during the heat.
2. Smoothness – Smoothness and fluidity during the execution and landing of tricks completed during the heat.
3. Landings – Clean landings where the competitor’s board does not touch the water will be rewarded. It’s at the discretion of each judge to consider how much credit they will give to the trick, as it is directly related to the risk factor involved in the execution of the trick.
4. Height and amplitude – The combination of height and amplitude of the tricks completed during the heat. As the wind conditions increase, this aspect will exponentially become more and more into consideration, but only when the height and amplitude are achieved along with risk factor and technical difficulty.
5. Risk factor – The risk factor is directly linked to the power, height, amplitude and technical difficulty of the jump, but also to the commitment of the competitor and physical challenge during the execution, duration of the critical moment, and energy on the execution.
6. Innovation – Tricks that have never been landed in competition before.

Rulebook

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

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- 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 incur an additional penalty of up to 1.000 USD and suspension for the next event.

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