

GKA KITE-SURF & HYDROFOIL FREESTYLE WORLD CUP TAIBA 2022 23.11.-27.11.2022

*It is a pleasure to announce the FINAL Kite-Surf & Hydrofoil Freestyle event of the GKA KITE WORLD
TOUR 2022*

which will be a

5-STAR World Cup held in Taiba, Brazil*

The dates will be from the 23rd of November to the 27th of November 2022.

This is a 5-Star GKA Kite World Tour event and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2022
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://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/register/#1664317846505-b853f271-1a8e>

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 26th of
October 2022.**

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 6th of November 2022 via credit card payment through the online registration tool.

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. For certain exceptions approved by the tour management, 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 order to enter the event, parental consent / authorization must be received for all competitors who are under the age of 18 years old at the registration date.

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..é
- 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:

Equipment Storage

There will be equipment storage on site during the event period for athletes to keep their gear.

Travel info

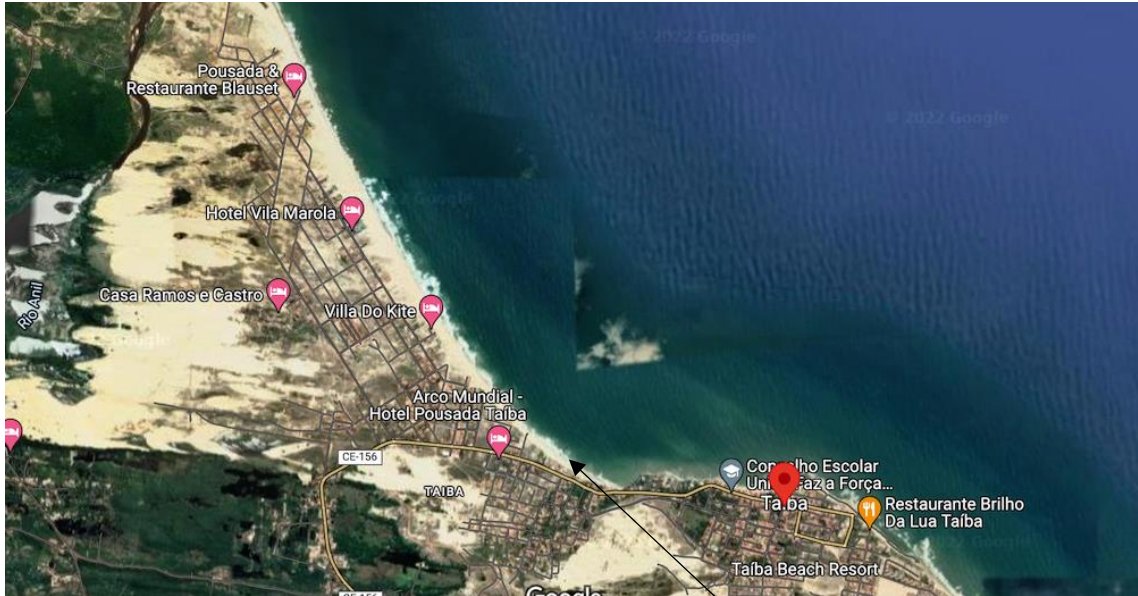
Airports: Fortaleza is the closest airport to fly into for the competition site. its roughly 90 minutes from Taiba.

Organiser Contact:

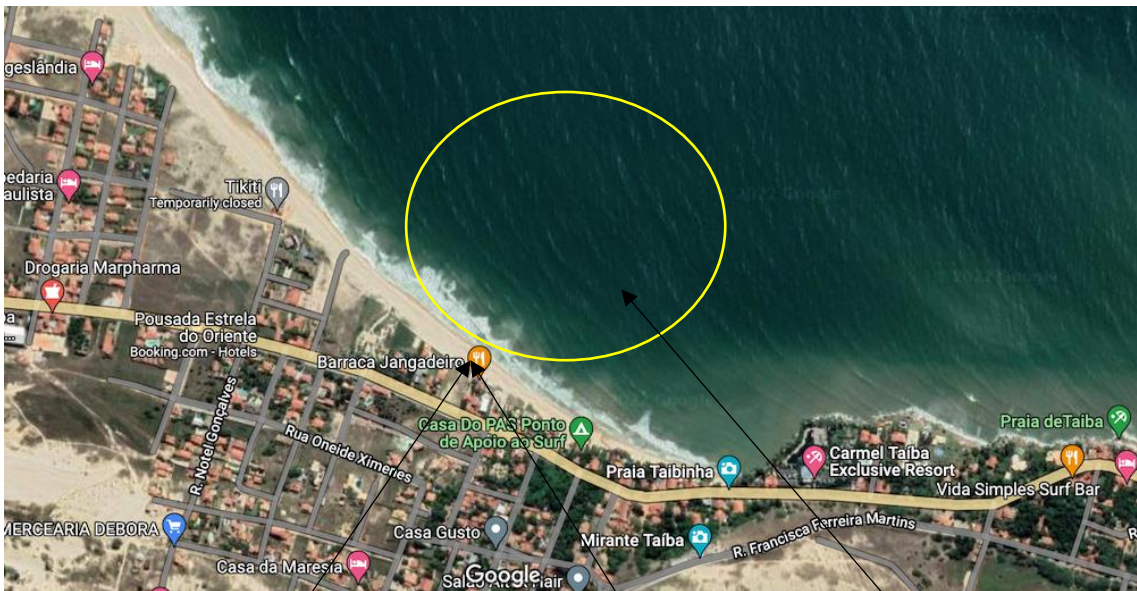
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Location map:



Event site



Judges Tower

Competition site

Competition zone

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.

Accommodation for competitors:

The top 10 men and top 6 women will receive free accommodation at Case Kitley in Taiba.

For more accommodations providers please follow this link arranged by the organisers with contact numbers and event pricing here - <https://www.copakitley.com.br/infos-%C3%BAtais>

We also have Pousada Amarela available for use with special rider deals;

<https://www.amarelataiba.com>

Email: amarelataiba@gmail.com

Rooms available from 11.11.2022 in single, double or triple room.

Room	Person	Daily per person room only
Barraka	Single	30,-€ / R\$165,-
Main house/bungalow	Double	25,-€ / R\$135,-
Main house/bungalow	Triple	20,-€ / R\$110,-

Barraka with shared bathroom.

Main house/bungalow with bathroom.

- Double room with 2 single beds or 1 double bed
- Triple room with 3 single beds

Weather:

The average temperature in Taiba during November for a typical day range from a high of 89°F (32°C) and a low of 78°F (26°C). The average day in Taiba during November has 12.3 hours of daylight, with sunrise at 5:12 AM and sunset at 5:28 PM.

A wetsuit will not be needed in Brazil as the water temperature is very warm.

Wind Information

The wind in Taiba during November blows at an average speed of 15-25 knots.

At the competition spot the wind direction is cross-onshore

Disciplines

There will be Three Official Disciplines in this KWT event:

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

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 – Kite-Surf 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	14 Riders
TOP 22	1-22	1-11
GKA Wildcards	23-24	12
Video Wildcards	25-26	13
Organizer Wildcards	27-28	14

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 following online form: <https://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/wildcard-video-applications/>
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 **28th of October 2022**, 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 – Kite-surf Discipline

MEN			WOMEN		
1	James	Carew	1	Capucine	Delannoy
2	Airton	Cozzolino	2	Johanna-Catharina	Edin
3	Matchu	Lopes	3	Marcela	Witt
4	Pedro	Matos	4	Charlotte	Carpentier

5	Reece	Myerscoug h	5	Maria	Rodrigues
6	Sebastian	Ribeiro	6	Kesiane	Schwarztra uber
7	Francesco	Cappuzzo	7	Sonja	Bunte
8	Camille	Delannoy	8	Camille	Losserand
9	Nicola	Abadjiev	9	Frances	Kelly
10	Med Ali	Beqqali	10	Clemence	Derrien
11	Yaris	Dell'omo	11	Peri	Roberts
12	Anderson	Reboucas	12	Zoe	Bazile
13	Hendrick	Lopes	13	Giulia	Böhmerle
14	Mounim	Maji	14	Ines	Correia
15	Charly	Martin	15	Carla	Herrera
16	Arsenio	Do Rosario Dias	16	Daniela	Moreno Rodriguez
17	Tony	Ciliberto	17	Mikali	Sol
18	Kiko	Roig Torres	18	Irati	Kohler
19	Luke	Millard	18	Karolina	Winkowska
20	Gray	Foster	20	Annemieke	Kruijt
21	Kelton	Lopes	21	Lilian	Marschiert
22	Keanu	Merten	22	Stella	Groschupf
23	Matt	Maxwell	22	Alexandra	Mercader
24	Achraf	Bentajar	24	Irina	Jenni
25	Reda	Lafdali	24	Odile	Cavin
26	Gabriel	Benetton	26	Didi	Lopes
27	Artur	Morais	26	Alina	Froschmeie r
28	Simon	Joosten	26	Julia	Castro
29	Titik	Lopes	26	Elke	Holz
30	Clement	Roseyro	26	Monica	Gilardoni
31	Alan	Trancart	31	Julia	Koch
32	Elvis	Nunes	31	Kaya	Lehmann
33	Djo	Silva			
34	Jorn	Donat			
35	Luis	Brito			
36	Jan Marcos	Riveras			
36	Graham	Harney			
36	Jordy	Sanca			
36	Linus	Erdmann			
40	Luca	Gasperini			
40	Alex	Middeler			
42	Oscar	Perrineau			
43	Pedro	Afonso			
43	Pablo	Amores			
45	Roderick	Pijls			
45	Rasmus	Thalund- Hansen			
45	Casper	Hammerich			
45	Daniel	Weber			

Seeding – Hydrofoil Freestyle

MEN

WOMEN

1	Charles	Brodel	1	Maike	Mueller
2	Maxime-Luan	Desjardins	2	Kylie	Zarmati
3	Robin	Stewart	3	Samuela	Mule
4	Cesar	Natoly	4	Aurore	Gineste
5	Fred	Hope			
6	Del Rosario	Joselito			
7	Oliver	Pasche			
8	Reed	Brady			
9	Perdo	Vianna Silva			
10	Thibault	Maillard			
11	Luis Paolo	Cordeiro Do Nase			
12	Icaro	Gomes			

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.

Event Schedule

Wednesday, 23rd November 2022

08:30 – 10:00: Riders Registration
 10:30: Opening Ceremony
 11:00: Skippers Meeting
 12:00: First possible Start

Thursday, 24th November 2022

10:00: Skippers Meeting
 10:30: First Possible Start

Friday, 25th November 2022

10:00: Skippers Meeting
 10:30: First Possible Start

Saturday, 26th November 2022

10:00: Skippers Meeting
10:30: First Possible Start

Sunday, 27th November 2022

10:00: Skippers Meeting
10:30: First Possible Start
19:00: 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 – Kite-surf

The prize money for the GKA KITE-SURF WORLD CUP 2022 held in Taiba, 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.

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
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
Total	50	Total	50

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

50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women

50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men

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

If the women's or men's division doesn't take place, the full amount allocated as prize money will be added to the one and only division.

Prize money – Hydrofoil Freestyle

The prize money for the GKA Hydrofoil Freestyle WORLD CUP 2022 held in Taiba, Brazil will be 10.000 Euro. The prize money is paid cash by the organiser to the competitors in line with the Rulebook.

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 Hydrofoil 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:

- 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		

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
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
Total	50	Total	50

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

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

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

Elimination ladders – Kite-surf

- KWT 28 Riders Dingle Elimination

- KWT 14 Riders Dingle Elimination

Heat Progression:

- ## 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				
Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Rk.	NAME
1	1/2		1/2	1/2		1/2	1/2		1/2	1/2		1/2	1/2		1/2	1/2		1	
2	3/4		3/4	3/4		3/4	3/4		3/4	3/4		3/4	3/4		3/4	3/4		2	
3	5/6		5/6	5/6		5/6	5/6		5/6	5/6		5/6	5/6		5/6	5/6		3	
4	7/8		7/8	7/8		7/8	7/8		7/8	7/8		7/8	7/8		7/8	7/8		4	
5	9/10		9/10	9/10		9/10	9/10		9/10	9/10		9/10	9/10		9/10	9/10		5	
6	11/12		11/12	11/12		11/12	11/12		11/12	11/12		11/12	11/12		11/12	11/12		6	
7	13/14		13/14	13/14		13/14	13/14		13/14	13/14		13/14	13/14		13/14	13/14		7	
8	15/16		15/16	15/16		15/16	15/16		15/16	15/16		15/16	15/16		15/16	15/16		8	
9	17/18		17/18	17/18		17/18	17/18		17/18	17/18		17/18	17/18		17/18	17/18		9	
10	19/20		19/20	19/20		19/20	19/20		19/20	19/20		19/20	19/20		19/20	19/20		10	
11	21/22		21/22	21/22		21/22	21/22		21/22	21/22		21/22	21/22		21/22	21/22		11	
12	23/24		23/24	23/24		23/24	23/24		23/24	23/24		23/24	23/24		23/24	23/24		12	
13	25/26		25/26	25/26		25/26	25/26		25/26	25/26		25/26	25/26		25/26	25/26		13	
14	27/28		27/28	27/28		27/28	27/28		27/28	27/28		27/28	27/28		27/28	27/28		14	
15	29/30		29/30	29/30		29/30	29/30		29/30	29/30		29/30	29/30		29/30	29/30		15	
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17	33/34		33/34	33/34		33/34	33/34		33/34	33/34		33/34	33/34		33/34	33/34		17	
18	35/36		35/36	35/36		35/36	35/36		35/36	35/36		35/36	35/36		35/36	35/36		18	
19	37/38		37/38	37/38		37/38	37/38		37/38	37/38		37/38	37/38		37/38	37/38		19	
20	39/40		39/40	39/40		39/40	39/40		39/40	39/40		39/40	39/40		39/40	39/40		20	
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22	43/44		43/44	43/44		43/44	43/44		43/44	43/44		43/44	43/44		43/44	43/44		22	
23	45/46		45/46	45/46		45/46	45/46		45/46	45/46		45/46	45/46		45/46	45/46		23	
24	47/48		47/48	47/48		47/48	47/48		47/48	47/48		47/48	47/48		47/48	47/48		24	
25	49/50		49/50	49/50		49/50	49/50		49/50	49/50		49/50	49/50		49/50	49/50		25	
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36	71/72		71/72	71/72		71/72	71/72		71/72	71/72		71/72	71/72		71/72	71/72		36	
37	73/74		73/74	73/74		73/74	73/74		73/74	73/74		73/74	73/74		73/74	73/74		37	
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39	77/78		77/78	77/78		77/78	77/78		77/78	77/78		77/78	77/78		77/78	77/78		39	
40	79/80		79/80	79/80		79/80	79/80		79/80	79/80		79/80	79/80		79/80	79/80		40	
41	81/82		81/82	81/82		81/82	81/82		81/82	81/82		81/82	81/82		81/82	81/82		41	
42	83/84		83/84	83/84		83/84	83/84		83/84	83/84		83/84	83/84		83/84	83/84		42	
43	85/86		85/86	85/86		85/86	85/86		85/86	85/86		85/86	85/86		85/86	85/86		43	
44	87/88		87/88	87/88		87/88	87/88		87/88	87/88		87/88	87/88		87/88	87/88		44	
45	89/90		89/90	89/90		89/90	89/90		89/90	89/90		89/90	89/90		89/90	89/90		45	
46	91/92		91/92	91/92		91/92	91/92		91/92	91/92		91/92	91/92		91/92	91/92		46	
47	93/94		93/94	93/94		93/94	93/94		93/94	93/94		93/94	93/94		93/94	93/94		47	
48	95/96		95/96	95/96		95/96	95/96		95/96	95/96		95/96	95/96		95/96	95/96		48	
49	97/98		97/98	97/98		97/98	97/98		97/98	97/98		97/98	97/98		97/98	97/98		49	
50	99/100		99/100	99/100		99/100	99/100		99/100	99/100		99/100	99/100		99/100	99/100		50	

- KWT 12 Riders Dingle Elimination

ROUND # 1			ROUND # 2			ROUND # 3			SEMI FINALS			FINAL				
Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Heat	Seed	Name	Rk.	NAME
1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1		1	1		1	
2	2		2	2		2	2		2	2		2	2		2	
3	3		3	3		3	3		3	3		3	3		3	
4	4		4	4		4	4		4	4		4	4		4	
5	5		5	5		5	5		5	5		5	5		5	
6	6		6	6		6	6		6	6		6	6		6	
7	7		7	7		7	7		7	7		7	7		7	
8	8		8	8		8	8		8	8		8	8		8	
9	9		9	9		9	9		9	9		9	9		9	
10	10		10	10		10	10		10	10		10	10		10	
11	11		11	11		11	11		11	11		11	11		11	
12	12		12	12		12	12		12	12		12	12		12	

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.
- From the second round on, the winner of the heats advance to the next round whilst the second placed riders are out of competition, until the final.

Scoring - Kite-Surf Discipline

Scoring Categories and Judging Criterias:

Wave:

- The maximum number of waves ridden attempts per competitor during a heat 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.
- Each Wave ridden is scored from 0.1 to 10.0 (ten), broken into one-tenth increments (e.g 6.4).

(iii) The following scale may be used to describe a wave ridden that is scored:

0–1.9 = Poor;
2.0–3.9 = Fair;

4.0–5.9= Average;
6.0–7.9 = Good;
8.0–10.0 = Excellent.

Judging Criterias are applied to score individual waves ridden. Each judge analyzes the following major elements when scoring a ride:

- Commitment.
- Degree of difficulty.
- Innovative and progressive maneuvers.
- Combination of major maneuvers.
- Variety of maneuvers.
- Speed, power and flow

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	AIR	ONE FOOT	OF	KITELOOP	KL
AIR TO BLIND	A2B	BOARD OFF	BO	KITELOOP BOARD OFF	KLBO
BODY 360	B360	RODEO	R	KITELOOP RODEO	KLRO
AIR REVERSE	AR	FRONT ROLL ONE FOOT	FRF	KITELOOP BACKROLL	KLBR
AIR 360	A3	BACK ROLL ONE FOOT	BRF	KITELOOP DOUBLE BACKROLL	KL2BR
TOESIDE AIR	TS	HAND STAND	HS	KITELOOP BACKROLL BOARD OFF	KLBRBO
TOESIDE AIR REVERSE	TSAR	HAND STAND 360	HS360	KITELOOP DOUBLE BACKROLL BOARD OFF	KL2BRBO
TOESIDE AIR 360	TS360	JESUS WALK	JW	KITELOOP RODEO BACKROLL	KLBRRO
TOESIDE AIR 540	TS540	BARE FOOT	BF	KITELOOP RODEO DOUBLE BACKROLL	KL2BRRO
TOESIDE AIR 720	TS720	HAND VARIAL	HV	KITELOOP RODEO TRIPLE BACKROLL	KL3BRRO
AIR TRICKS INNOVATION	ATI	FRONT ROLL HAND VARIAL	FRHV	KITELOOP FRONTROLL (BOOGIE)	KLFR
BACK ROLLS (1 TRICK)		BACK ROLL SUPERMAN	BR	KITELOOP DOUBLE FRONTROLL	KL2FR
BACK ROLL	BR	TIC TAC	TT	KITELOOP FRONTROLL BOARD OFF (BOOGIE)	KLFRBO
BACK ROLL 5	BR5	TIC TAC REWIND	TTR	KITELOOP DOUBLE FRONTROLL BOARD OFF	KL2FRBO
DOUBLE BACK ROLL	2BR	TIC TAC RODEO	TR	KITELOOP RODEO FRONTROLL (BOOGIE)	KLFRRO
TRIPLE BACK ROLL	3BR	DOUBLE TIC TAC	2TT	KITELOOP RODEO DOUBLE FRONTROLL	KL2FRRO
BACK ROLL INNOVATION	BR	FLIP	FL	KITELOOP TIC TAC	KLTT
FRONT ROLLS (1 TRICK)		RODEO FLIP	RFL	KITELOOP FLIP	KLFL
FRONT ROLL	FR	TIC TAC FLIP	TTFL	CONTRALOO BACKROLL BOARD OFF	CLBRBO
FRONT ROLL TO BLIND	FR2B	TIC TAC RODEO FLIP	TTFR	CONTRALOO BACKROLL RODEO	CLBRRO
DOUBLE FRONT ROLL	2FR	FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF	FRBO	CONTRALOO BACKROLL TIC TAC	CLBRTT
DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TO BLIND	2FR2B	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF	2FRBO	CONTRALOO BACKROLL FLIP	CLBRFL
TRIPLE FRONT ROLL	3FR	TRIPLE FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF	3FRBO	CONTRALOO BACKROLL RODEO FLIP	CLBRROFL
FRONT ROLL TO REVERSE	FR2R	FRONT ROLL RODEO	FRRO	CONTRALOO BACKROLL RODEO TIC TAC	CLBRROTT
FRONT ROLL INNOVATION	FR	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL RODEO	2FRRO	KITELOOPS INNOVATION	KLI
HANDLE PASSES (1 TRICK)		TRIPLE FRONT ROLL RODEO	3FRRO	KICK TRICKS (SHOVE-IT) (1 TRICK)	
AIR FRONT SIDE 180 S.PASS	AFS180SP	BACK ROLL BOARD OFF	BRBO	SHOVE-IT	SH
TOESIDE FRONT SIDE 180 S.PASS	TSFS180SP	DOUBLE BACK ROLL BOARD OFF	2BRBO	SHOVE-IT 3	SH3
FRONT ROLL TO S.PASS	FR2SP	TRIPLE BACK ROLL BOARD OFF	3BRBO	SHOVE-IT 5	SH5
FRONT SIDE 360	FS3	BACK ROLL RODEO	BRRO	SHOVE-IT 7	SH7
BACKSIDE 360	BS3	DOUBLE BACK ROLL RODEO	2BRRO	ONE FOOT SHOVE-IT 3	OFSH3
SHIFTY FRONTSIDE 360	SFS3	TRIPLE BACK ROLL RODEO	3BRRO	VARIAL FLIP	VFL
TOESIDE FRONTSIDE 360	TSFS3	FRONT ROLL TIC TAC	FRTT	FLIP 3	FL3
HANDLE PASS RODEO	HPR	FRONT ROLL RODEO TIC TAC	FRRTT	FRONTSIDE BIG SPIN	FSBS
HANDLE PASS INNOVATION	HPI	FRONT ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC	FR2TT	BACKSIDE BIG SPIN	BSBS
		DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TIC TAC	2FRTT	BACK ROLL SHOVE IT 3	BRSH3
		DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TIC TAC RODEO	2FRTR	FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 3	FRSH3
		DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TIC TAC REWIND	2FRTR	FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 5	FRSH5
		FRONT ROLL FLIP	FRFL	FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 7	FRSH7
		FRONT ROLL TIC TAC FLIP	FRTTFL	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT 3	2FRSH3
		BACK ROLL TIC TAC	BRTT	TOESIDE AIR 360 SHOVE IT 3	TSAS3SH3
		BACK ROLL TIC TAC RODEO	BRTR	KICK TRICKS INNOVATION	KTI
		DOUBLE BACK ROLL TIC TAC	2BRTT		
		BACK ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC	BR2TT		
		BACK ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC RODEO	BR2TR		
		BACK ROLL TRIPLE TIC TAC	BR3TT		
		BACK ROLL FLIP	BRF		
		BACK ROLL DOUBLE FLIP	BR2F		
		BACK ROLL TIC TAC FLIP	BRTTF		
		BACK ROLL DOUBLE TIC TAC FLIP	BR2TF		
		BACK ROLL TIC TAC RODEO FLIP	BRTRF		
		BOARD OFF RODEO INNOVATION	BORI		

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.

Scoring - Hydrofoil Discipline

Ties in Hydrofoil Freestyle Discipline heats

- In case of tie, it will be broken in favour of the competitor with the highest single score. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, each competitor's individual scores counting towards the final score shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the competitor with the best individual score.

Hydrofoil Trick Categories

- The tricks repertoire has been broken down in a number of categories. The list of tricks included by category is not extensive, and not limited to the described tricks in appendix C 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.
- 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.

Hydrofoil Trick list

HYDROFOIL FREESTYLE TRICKLIST

TRICK NAME	ABBREVIATION	TRICK NAME	ABBREVIATION
Regular Jump	RJ	Sent pass (1,2)	SP
Air	AIR	KGB	KGB
Back rolls (1,2,3,4...)	BR	313	313
Front rolls (1,2,3,4...)	FR	BS313	BS313
Deadman	DM	Back rolls sent pass (1,2)	BRSP
Deadman front roll	DMFR	Front rolls sent pass (Kung fu)	FRSP
Deadman back roll	DMBR	Kite loop	KL
Kung fu	KF	Contra loops	CL
One Foot	OF	Kite loops back rolls	KLBR
Back rolls one Foot (1,2,3,4...)	BROF	Kite loop one foot	KLOF
Front rolls one foot (1,2,3,4...)	FROF	Kite loops board offs	KLBO
Board off	BO	Kite loops back roll board offs	KLBRBO
Tic tacs (1,2)	TT	Around the world	ATW
Brodel Flip	BFL	Carving	CAR
Board pass	BP	Tornado (1,2,3...)	TOR
Back roll board pass	BRBP	Roundabout	RA
Front roll board pass	FRBP	Lazy boy	LB
Back roll board offs (1,2,3,4...)	BRBO	Body 360 tack	B360
Back roll tic tac (1,2,3,4...)	BRTT	Innovation 1	INNO1
Front rolls board offs (1,2,3,4...)	FRBO	Innovation 2	INNO2
Front roll tic tac (1,2,3,4...)	FRTT	Innovation 3	INNO3
Rodeo	ROD		
Back roll rodeo (1,2,3,4...)	BRROD		

Equipment – Kite-surf

- Only Surf-boards are eligible for use in competition.
- In the Wave category footstraps, pads and wax are allowed.
- In the Strapless Freestyle category, only boards with pads are allowed. Footstraps and wax are not allowed.

Equipment – Hydrofoil

- Only hydrofoils are eligible for use in competition.
- The use of a helmet is mandatory.
- Straps are not allowed in the Hydrofoil Strapless Freestyle

Rulebook

The “GKA Kite World Tour Rulebook 2022” is available for download on the official GKA Kite World Tour website:

<https://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/rulebooks/2022/GKA%20Kite%20World%20Tour%20Rulebook%202022.pdf>

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