



GKA KITE-SURF WORLD CUP Cape Verde

16.02.-21.02.2026

It is a pleasure to announce the first Kite-Surf event of the GKA KITE WORLD TOUR 2026

which will be held in Sal, Cape Verde

The dates will be from the 16th to the 21st of February 2026

This is a 4-Star GKA Kite World Tour event, and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2026 GKA KWT Rulebook.

Registration & Entry procedure

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 on Thursday 22nd January 2026.**

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 SAILING FEDERATION and/or WORLD SAILING and must 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.

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 because 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 competitor's membership with the GKA Kite World Tour

Important Information

- Competitors must always wear the official lycra 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, always including harness on the water 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 must join via social media and share.

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 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.g. cannot hold 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

There will be equipment storage on site during the event period from 16th -21st February.



Travel info

Airports: For international arrivals there is one main airport that are best to fly into - SAL, CAPE VERDE (SID)

Organiser Contact:

Nautic Sport Eventos Lda
Ilha do Sal, Santa Maria
Djo and Giada: nseventos.cv@gmail.com

Event Location

Location 1:
Punta Preta Beach
Santa Maria
Sal, Cabo Verde

Location 2:
Kite Beach

Location map:



Travel documents and Visa

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

Accommodation for competitors

There is no accommodation provided to athletes.

Weather

February in Sal offer mostly moderate warm weather. The average air temperatures vary from 18°C at night to 25°C during daytime and the water temperature is around 22-23°C. So, bringing sweater/jacket for clothing and a light wetsuit is recommended.



Wind Information

Northeast trade wind blows mainly from 15 – 25 knots.

Spots

For wave competition: Punta Preta or Kite Beach

Event Schedule

Monday 16th February

09:00-10:30 – Inscription
11:30 – Riders Briefing
12:00 – First Possible start for competition
19:00 – Opening Ceremony

Tuesday 17th February

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

Wednesday 18th February

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

Thursday 19th February

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

Friday 20th February

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

Saturday 21st February

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start
20:00 – Closing Ceremony and prize giving.

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:

- **Kitesurf (Wave and Strapless 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 24 male competitors and 24 female competitors entering this event. Entries into KWT events shall be allocated according to the following table:



	Kite Surf Discipline
CATEGORY	24 Riders
TOP 16	1-16
Video Wildcards	17-20
GKA Wildcards	21-22
Organizer Wildcards	23-24

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 app: <https://app.gkakiteworldtour.com/>
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 **24th of January 2026**, 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@gkakiteworldtour.com

Seeding - Kitesurf Discipline

The seeding for the upcoming Kite-Surf event in Cape Verde will be done according to the end of year 2025 rankings which can be found online or by following this link - <https://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/rankings-2025/kite-surf/>

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 Discipline

The prize money for the GKA KITE-SURF WORLD CUP in Cape Verde will be **10.000 Euro**. The prize money is paid cash by the organiser to the competitors in line with the Rulebook.

9000 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.

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		
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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
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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.

Elimination ladders - Kitesurf & Freestyle Discipline

The elimination ladder used for the KWT Kite-Surf event shall be Dingle.

- KWT 24 Riders Dingle Elimination

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- 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 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.

APPENDIX B1

SURFBOARD FREESTYLE TRICKLIST

Strapless Freestyle Tricklist organized by category. Trick count and attempts will be decided by Head Judge on the first skippers meeting. Only one trick within each category can count towards the final score. Repeated tricks, only will count the best. * (1,2,3...) is for extra rotations/flips/tictacs

AIR TRICKS (NO GRAB)		BOARD OFFS / RODEOS		KITELOOPS NO ROTATION	
AIR	AIR	ONE FOOT	OF	KITELOOP BOARD OFF	KLBO
AIR TO BLIND	A2B	BOARD OFF	BO	KITELOOP RODEO (1,2,3...)	KLK
BODY 360	B360	RODEO (1,2,3...)	R	KITELOOP TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	KLTT
AIR REVERSE	AR	FRONT ROLL ONE FOOT	FRF	KITELOOP FLIP (1,2,3...)	KLFL
AIR 3	A3	BACK ROLL ONE FOOT	BRF	KITELOOP SHOVI BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	KLSHBO
TOESIDE AIR	TS	HAND STAND (1,2,3...)	HS	KITELOOPS BACK ROTATION	
TOESIDE AIR REVERSE	TSAR	JESUS WALK	JW	KITELOOP BACKROLL BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	KLBRBO
TOESIDE AIR 3	TS3	BARE FOOT	BF	KITELOOP BACKROLL RODEO (1,2,3...)	KLBR
TOESIDE AIR 5	TS5	HAND VARIAL	HV	KITELOOP BACKROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	KLBRFL
TOESIDE AIR 7	TS7	FRONT ROLL HAND VARIAL	FRHV	KITELOOP BACKROLL TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	KLBRTT
AIR TRICKS INNOVATION	ATI	BACK ROLL SUPERMAN	BR	KITELOOP BACKROLL SHOVI (1,2,3...)	KLBRSH
BACK ROLLS (NO GRAB)		TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	TT	KITELOOPS FRONT ROTATION	
BACK ROLL	BR	FLIP (1,2,3...)	FL	KITELOOP FRONT BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	KLFRBO
BACK ROLL 5	BR5	SHOVI BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	SHBO	KITELOOP FRONT RODEO (1,2,3...)	KLFR
DOUBLE BACK ROLL	2BR	FRONT BOARD OFFS / RODEOS		KITELOOP FRONT ROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	KLFRFL
TRIPLE BACK ROLL	3BR	FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	FRBO	KITELOOP FRONT ROLL TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	KLFRTT
UNHOOKED BACK ROLL (1,2,3...)	UHBR	DOUBLE FRONT BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	2FRBO	KITELOOP FRONT ROLL SHOVI (1,2,3...)	KLFRSH
BACK ROLL INNOVATION	BRI	TRIPLE FRONT BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	3FRBO	CONTRALOOPS BACK ROTATION	
FRONT ROLLS (NO GRAB)		FRONT ROLL RODEO (1,2,3...)	FRR	CONTRA BACKROLL BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	CLBRBO
FRONT ROLL	FR	DOUBLE FRONT RODEO (1,2,3...)	2FRR	CONTRA BACKROLL RODEO (1,2,3...)	CLBR
FRONT ROLL TO BLIND	FR2B	TRIPLE FRONT RODEO (1,2,3...)	3FRR	CONTRA BACKROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	CLBRFL
DOUBLE FRONT ROLL	2FR	FRONT ROLL TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	FRTT	CONTRA BACKROLL TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	CLBRTT
DOUBLE FRONT ROLL TO BLIND	2FR2B	DOUBLE FRONT TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	2FRTT	CONTRA BACKROLL SHOVI (1,2,3...)	CLBRSH
TRIPLE FRONT ROLL	3FR	FRONT ROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	FRFL	CONTRALOOPS FRONT ROTATION	
4 X FRONT ROLL	4FR	DOUBLE FRONT ROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	2FRFL	CONTRA FRONT ROLL BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	CLFRBO
UNHOOKED FRONT ROLL (1,2,3...)	UHFR	FRONT SHOVI BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	FRSHBO	CONTRA FRONT ROLL RODEO (1,2,3...)	CLFR
FRONT ROLL INNOVATION	FRI	BACK BOARD OFFS / RODEOS		CONTRA FRONT ROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	CLFRFL
BACKSIDE HANDLEPASS		BACK ROLL BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	BRBO	CONTRA FRONT ROLL TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	CLFRTT
BACKSIDE 3	BS3	DOUBLE BACK BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	2BRBO	CONTRA FRONT ROLL SHOVI (1,2,3...)	CLFRSH
BACKSIDE 5	BS5	TRIPLE BACK BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	3BRBO	DOUBLE KITELOOPS	
BACKSIDE 7	BS7	BACK ROLL RODEO (1,2,3...)	BRR	DOUBLE KITELOOP BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	2KLBO
FRONTSIDE HANDLEPASS		DOUBLE BACK RODEO (1,2,3...)	2BRR	DOUBLE KITELOOP BACKROLL (1,2,3...)	2KLBR
AIR FRONT SIDE 180 S.PASS	AFS180SP	TRIPLE BACK RODEO (1,2,3...)	3BRR	DOUBLE KITELOOP FRONTROLL (1,2,3...)	2KLFR
FRONTSIDE 3	FS3	BACK ROLL TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	BRTT	\$ LOOP	
FRONTSIDE 5	FS5	DOUBLE BACK TIC TAC (1,2,3...)	2BRTT	\$ LOOP (1,2,3...)	SL
FRONTSIDE 7	FS7	BACK ROLL FLIP (1,2,3...)	BRFL	KITELOOP INNOVATION	KLI
313	313	BACK SHOVI BOARD OFF (1,2,3...)	BRSHBO	* (1,2,3...) is for extra rotations/flips/tictacs	
315	315	BOARD OFF INNOVATION	BOI		
TOESIDE FRONT SIDE 180 S.PASS	TSFS180SP	KICK TRICKS (SHOVE-IT) NO GRABS			
TOESIDE FRONTSIDE 360	TSFS3	SHOVE-IT (1,2,3...)	SH		
TOESIDE FRONTSIDE 540	TSFS5	VARIAL FLIP (1,2,3...)	VFL		
RODEO HANDLEPASS		FLIP 3 (1,2,3...)	FL3		
HANDLE PASS RODEO	HPR	FRONTSIDE BIG SPIN	FSBS		
UNHOOKED INNOVATION	UI	BACKSIDE BIG SPIN	BSBS		
		BACK ROLL SHOVE IT (1,2,3...)	BRSH		
		FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT (1,2,3...)	FRSH		
		DOUBLE FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT (1,2,3...)	2FRSH		
		TRIPLE FRONT ROLL SHOVE IT (1,2,3...)	3FRSH		
		TOESIDE AIR 360 SHOVE IT (1,2,3...)	TS3SH		
		TOESIDE AIR 7 SHOVE IT (1,2,3...)	TS7SH		
		KICK TRICKS INNOVATION	KTI		

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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 criteria's:

- 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.

Rulebook

<https://www.gkakiteworldtour.com/rulebooks/2025/GKA%20RULEBOOK%202025.pdf>

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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 always wear the official event-competition-lycra 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.