



GKA KITEBOARDING WORLD TOUR: AIR GAMES 2018 TARIFA

It is a pleasure to announce the second event of the GKA KITEBOARDING WORLD TOUR: AIR GAMES 2018 will be held on the beautiful southern coast of Spain in TARIFA.

The dates will be from 27th of June to the 1st of July 2018.
This competition is sanctioned and governed by the GKA KWT Rulebook.

Registration

Entry procedure and Registration

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

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

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

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

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

All riders can register for the event by mailing tom@global-kitesports.org by the 16th of June.

The registration mail should contain:

- Full Name
- Nationality
- Federative License:
- Sponsors
- Passport number
- Telephone :
- Facebook page :
- Instagram account
- Email
- Food specifics:
- **COMPLETE FLIGHT DETAILS OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE**

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

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

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

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

Please make sure to put the full name of the rider and the name of the event in the transfer's subject.
All registration payments must be made before the 16th of June 2018. Bank transaction-costs are paid by the rider.

Entry restrictions

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

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

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

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

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

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

The maximum number is 48 male competitors and 16 female registered for this KWT event, including the wildcards.

Disciplines

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

Divisions:

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

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

IMPORTANT INFO

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

All event dinners and meetings in the schedule are mandatory to all riders. Please be on time and ready.

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

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

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

#GKAKiteboardingWorldTour, #GKAAirGames, #BigAir

Equipment storage

Storage starts 2 days before the event (June 25th) and ends 1 day after the event (July 2).

Travel info:

Airports:

- Jerez (80min drive)
- Málaga (100 min drive)
- Sevilla (150 min drive)

Weather:

Summer time in Tarifa is made for a t-shirt and shorts. Usually temperatures are quite pleasant: the average maximum temperature lies around 27.0°C (71.6°F) and the water temperature is around 14.0°C (60.8°F) If you like to sunbath, then this month is perfect: it has 274 hours of sun.

Wind directions

Levante: Cross off shore strong wind averaging from 30 – 60 knots.

Poniente: Cross on shore wind averaging from 15 to 25 knots.

Schedule

26/06/2018, Tuesday

20.00h: Welcome Ceremony at Mandala in Tarifa

27/06/2018, Wednesday

Main Event

09.00h-13.00h: Inscription at Chiringuito Tangana in Valdevaqueros Beach

14.00h: First possible Start

28/06/2018, Thursday

Main Event

Skippers Meeting (time posted the day before on the official notice board)

29/06/2018, Friday

Main Event

Skippers Meeting (time posted the day before on the official notice board)

30/06/2018, Saturday

Main Event

Skippers Meeting (time posted the day before on the official notice board)

01/07/2018, Sunday

Main Event

Skippers Meeting (time posted the day before on the official notice board)

15.30h/18.30h: Closing Ceremony and Pricegiving depending on end of competition time at Tumbao in Valdevaqueros

Location map:



Accommodation rates for competitors:

HOTEL TARIFA LANCES

<http://www.hoteltarifalances.com/hotel.html>

We have a special rate for all riders at the Tarifa Lances Hotel.
Double room incl breakfast 90€ per room.

Prize money

The prize money for the GKA KITEBOARDING WORLD TOUR: AIR GAMES 2018 held in Tarifa, Spain will be **20,000 Euro**.

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

Single & Dingle:

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

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

Double:

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

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

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

Different scenarios:

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

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

Eligibility

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

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

Entry allocation

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

CATEGORY	64 Riders	48 Riders	32 Riders	24 Riders	16 riders	12 riders
					FEMALE	FEMALE
Previous years KWT Ranking	1-24	1-18	1-12	1-12	1-8	1-6
Current KWT Ranking	25-45	19-32	13-22	13-16	9-12	7-9
KWT Wildcard	46-56	33-39	23-28	17-20	13-14	10
National Qualifier Ranking	57-60	40-44	29-32	21-24	15-16	11-12
Organizer Wildcard	61-64	45-48				

In the case that there is no National Qualifier Ranking, the wildcards will be allocated: half for KWT and half for the Organizer.

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

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

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

Seeding and Elimination Procedure

The Previous years' KWT Ranking Seeding List for an event shall be calculated as follows:

(i). The competitor's final position on the KWT Ranking list from the previous year, which shall be regarded as one result; the two best results over the past 12 months; and the previous year's result at that specific event, which may count twice if it is one of the two best results (if this does not exist, the next best result from the previous 12 months). This will give four results, the highest of which is discarded. In all the above instances, the positions scored by the competitor shall be added together and the competitor with the lowest score shall be seeded first and so on. In the event of a tie, the KWT tie-break rules shall apply.

(ii). If a top 40 ranked sailor is unable to compete at an event or events due to injury, the seeding of that sailor will be protected for a period of four months, after which time seedings will be allocated as described above.

Elimination shall be single, dingle or double eliminations.

The Elimination procedure shall be:

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

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

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

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

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Rulebook

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

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

We look forward to seeing you very soon!

The GKA Team