



# 2017 / 2018 IKA SNOWKITE WORLDCUP

## NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (NoR/SI)

To be supplemented by Local Sailing Instructions (LSI)

Issued by IKA 14 February 2018  
For a history of changes see NoR/SI 25

## 1 DATES AND VENUES

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| Event                  | Venue  | Disciplines                                   | Dates                         |
|------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|
| WorldCup<br>Reschensee | Lago Di Resia<br>Italy<br>46°49'37.3"N<br>10°31'10.2"E | Course Racing<br>Long Distance                | 26.01.2018<br>-<br>28.01.2018 |
| WorldCup<br>Roccaraso  | Alto Sangro<br>Italy                                   | Long Distance<br>Formula GPS                  | 14.02.2018<br>-<br>18.02.2018 |
| WorldCup<br>Erciyes    | Erciyes<br>Turkey                                      | Course Racing<br>Long Distance<br>Formula GPS | 22.03.2018<br>-<br>25.03.2018 |

## 2 RULES

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- 2.1 The 2017 / 2018 IKA Snowkite WorldCup will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 including Appendix F. Other documents under RRS Definition: Rule (g) include:
  - 2.1.1 [DP] The IKA Support Team Regulations (STR)
  - 2.1.2 [NP] [DP] The IKA Competitors Media Guide (CMG) – to be published
- 2.2 Supplementary Local Sailing Instructions (LSI) which may change or supplement rules in these NoR/Sis.

- 2.3 A kiteboard shall neither make radio transmissions while competing nor receive radio communications not available to all kiteboards, except in an emergency. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 2.4 In all rules governing any of the events listed in NoR/SI 1;
- 2.4.1 The terms 'rider', 'competitor', 'crew', 'athlete' and 'owner' mean a person competing or intending to compete in the event.
- 2.4.2 The term 'support person' means persons as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing
- 2.4.3 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.
- 2.4.4 [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the protest committee with a hearing; and
- 2.4.5 [NP] denotes a rule that will not be grounds for protest by a kiteboard. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 2.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2.6 Changed Rules:

For Formula GPS: A kiteboard on an ascent shall keep clear of a kiteboard on a descent. If both kiteboards are moving to the same direction, Rules 10, 11 and 12 apply.

For Formula GPS and Long Distance / Cross Country: Kiteboards may change kites while racing. A kiteboard may not receive assistance outside the launching area, except by the race committee.

Rule 42 is changed to:

### 42. PROPULSION

#### 42.1 Basic Rule

Except when permitted in rule 42.2, a kiteboard shall compete by using only the wind and snow to increase, maintain or decrease her speed.

#### 42.2 Exceptions

- (a) A kiteboard may be propelled by unassisted actions of the competitor on the kiteboard but may not fly.
- (b) A competitor may walk while outside of a starting or finishing area, provided the kiteboard does not gain a significant advantage in the race.
- (c) Any means of propulsion may be used to help a person in danger.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

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- 3.1 The event is open for the following equipment and divisions.
- SnowKite – Ski Men
  - SnowKite – Ski Women
  - SnowKite – Snowboard Men
  - SnowKite – Snowboard Women

- 3.2 Competitors shall bring their own equipment.
- 3.3 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at each on-site registration.
- 3.4 Competitors shall sign the entry forms upon registration at the time and place published. Exceptions may be granted by the technical director at his discretion.
- 3.5 Competitors shall provide the following documentation upon registration:
- Proof of entry fee payment
  - Proof of valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of 1.5 million Euro per incident or the equivalent
  - Proof of age
  - Parental/legal guardian consent - for those under the age of 18
  - Medical Treatment Permission – for those under age of 18 or on their parent’s medical insurance policy
  - For Italian competitors at events in Italy: Medical Treatment Permission – Type B
- 3.6 The organizing authority may cancel an event if the minimum number of entries has not been received 30 days before the registration day of the event. The minimum entry is twenty (20) kiteboards. Competitors will be notified of event cancellation by email and posting on the IKA website. The entry fees will be refunded.

## 4 ENTRY FEE

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Entry fees and conditions are as stated on the individual competition websites. Entry fees are not refundable in case the competition is cancelled due to weather conditions.

## 5 SCHEDULE

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### 5.1 General Schedule

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- 5.2 The schedule of disciplines and races is in the discretion of the race committee, which will decide considering the weather conditions and will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 5.3 The race committee will announce the schedule for the day at the daily riders briefing.

## 6 FORMAT



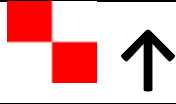


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- 6.1 The competition format for all disciplines will be a single series.
- 6.2 Men and Women may compete together but are scored separately.

## 7 STARTING AND FINISHING

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- 7.1 Course Racing, Long Distance and Cross-Country
  - 7.1.1 The starting line / area will be described in the Course Diagram.
  - 7.1.2 To alert kiteboarders that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange/white chequered starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
  - 7.1.3 The starting sequence will be:

| Time | Visual Signals  |                          | Sound        | Meaning            |
|------|---|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
|      |  | Orange / White displayed | 1 sound      | Attention          |
| - 5  |  | Class Flag displayed     | 1 sound      | Warning Signal     |
| - 4  |  | Uniform displayed        | 1 sound      | Preparatory Signal |
| - 1  |  | Uniform removed          | 1 long sound | 1 Minute           |
| 0    |  | Class Flag removed       | 1 sound      | Start              |
| + 4  |   |                          | No sound     | Start line closed  |




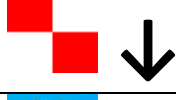

- 7.1.4 A kiteboard that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5

### 7.2 Formula GPS

- 7.2.1 The starting area will be described in the course diagram.
- 7.2.2 [DP] [NP] No kiteboard shall leave the launching area before Flag "D" is displayed.

7.2.3 To alert kiteboards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange/white chequered starting area flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

7.2.4 The starting sequence will be:

| Time | Visual Signals  |                          | Sound        | Meaning            |
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|      |  | Orange / White displayed | 1 sound      | Attention          |
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| - 4  |  | Uniform displayed        | 1 sound      | Preparatory Signal |
| - 1  |  | Uniform removed          | 1 long sound | 1 Minute           |
| 0    |  | Class Flag removed       | 1 sound      | Start              |
| + 10 |   |                          | No sound     | Start area closed  |

7.2.5 The race duration will be displayed and announced in the starting area, no later than the preparatory signal.

7.2.6 Kiteboards shall not enter the starting area within the last minute before the starting signal.

7.2.7 Kiteboards failing to exit the starting area before the end of starting time window will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5

7.2.8 [DP] [NP] Kiteboards shall carry a GPS receiver able to record and export GPX files, with the recording frequency set to a minimum of 1 recording every 3 seconds.

7.2.9 [DP] [NP] Kiteboards shall start their GPS receiver and enable recording no later than the preparatory signal.

7.2.10 [DP] [NP] Kiteboards shall stop recording and save the GPX file as soon as reasonably possible after clearing the finishing area.

7.2.11 A kiteboard that stops, slows down significantly or one that is not making significant forward progress in an area of 50 meters around the starting and finishing area, shall keep clear of all others unless she is accidentally capsized.

7.3 [DP] Kiteboards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other races. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 75 meters from the starting marks in all directions.

7.4 The finishing line / area will be described in the Course Diagram.

7.5 [DP] Kiteboards that have finished, shall clear the finish area.

# 8 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

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## 8.1 Course Racing, Long Distance, Cross-Country

Kiteboards failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first kiteboard finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## 8.2 Formula GPS

8.2.1 The race duration will be displayed and announced in the starting area, no later than the preparatory signal.

8.2.2 Kiteboards failing to finish within [race duration/3] minutes after the first kiteboard finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

8.2.3 [DP] [NP] Riders shall submit 1 GPX file per race as per instructions.

8.2.4 If 50%+1 rider do not upload the track as instructed, the race will be abandoned.

# 9 COURSES AND RACING AREAS

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9.1 Courses and Racing areas will be displayed on the Official Notice Board at least 30 minutes before a warning signal is made.

9.2 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

9.3 Assignments of fleets, flights and divisions to racing areas (if any) will be posted at least 30 minutes before they will take effect.

9.4 Areas that are obstructions will be displayed on the Official Notice Board. Kiteboards shall avoid such areas.

# 10 [DP] IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

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10.1 When provided by the local organizing authority, kiteboards and competitors shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:

10.1.1 [DP] Competition bibs for all competitors with the individually assigned competition number, worn over all other clothing and equipment at any time.

10.1.2 [DP] Individual event leader bibs with an individually assigned competition number, worn over all other clothing and equipment at any time.

10.1.2 Event advertising

10.1.3 [SP] Cameras and other media equipment

10.1.4 [SP] Tracking and timing system equipment.

10.2 [SP] Any advertising from previous events shall be removed.

## 11 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

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11.1 The location of the official notice board and the official flagpole will be published in the LSI.

11.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.

11.3 When a visual signal is displayed over an area or class/fleet/flight flag, the signal applies only to that area or class/fleet/flight. This changes the race signals preamble.

11.4 The LSI will be posted on the official notice board no later than the first skippers meeting, and will be available at the event and/or IKA website.

## 12 CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Any change to the NoR/SI and the LSI will be posted at least 30 minutes before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted not later than the end of the protest time limit of the last class/fleet/flight on the day before it will take effect.

## 13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

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13.1 [DP] Flag AP over H displayed ashore means 'Kiteboards shall not leave the launching area. Wait for further instructions.' This changes race signal AP over H.

13.2 For the Formula GPS Discipline, kiteboards shall be equipped with Avalanche Receiver, Shovel and Probe. Carrying a VHF radio (transmissions are only allowed in emergency) is recommended.

13.3 [SP] For Formula GPS and CrossCountry: Riders shall sign out / sign in as instructed.

## 14 [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

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14.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.

14.2 Kiteboards not racing shall keep clear of the racing area.

## 15 SCORING

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15.1 Course Racing, Long Distance, Cross-Country:  
1 race per flight/fleet race is required to be completed to constitute a series in the respective division and discipline.

15.2 Formula GPS  
1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series in the respective division and discipline.

15.2.1 The race duration for each kiteboard is calculated from the time she exits the starting area to the time she enters the finishing area.

15.2.2 The total points per race will be the total of

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| Total Distance:                                 | x1  |
| Perimeter (Outline):                            | x6  |
| Area (inside Perimeter):                        | x0  |
| Altitude gained                                 | x10 |
| Maximum Distance between waypoints of the track | x3  |

15.2.3 The time penalty will be calculated as follows and deducted from the points calculated in 15.2.2

Time in excess of race duration: 1% per racetime / 300 (in seconds)

15.2.4 The rider with the highest number of points wins, and others will be ranked accordingly.

15.2 A kiteboard's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score when 4 to 6 races have been completed, her two worst scores when 7 to 10 races have been completed, and her three worst scores when 11 or more races have been completed.

15.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a kiteboard may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

15.4 Gender and age divisions will be calculated by simple extraction from the Overall Rankings.

## 16 WORLDCUP SCORING

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16.1 For each WorldCup, kiteboards will be given points according to their finishing position in each discipline. The best ranked kiteboard will receive 100 points, the second-best kiteboard 99 points etc. If there are more than 100 kiteboards in an event, kiteboards ranked 100 or lower will receive 1 point.

16.2 The discipline overall score of a kiteboard will be the total of the sum of all points collected in the 2017/2018 IKA SnowKite WorldCup Events per discipline, excluding her worst score when 3 to 4 WorldCups have been completed, and excluding her two worst scores when 5 or more WorldCups have been completed



- 16.3 The WorldCup overall score of a kiteboard will be the total of the sum of all points collected in the 2017/2018 IKA SnowKite WorldCup Events in all disciplines, excluding her worst score when 3 to 4 WorldCups have been completed, and excluding her two worst scores when 5 or more WorldCups have been completed.
- 16.4 If there is a tie in the IKA SnowKite WorldCup ranking, it shall be broken as per RRS Appendix A8

## 17 INTERNATIONAL JURY

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An International Jury may be appointed in accordance with the RRS 91(b). Their decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## 18 PROTESTS, PENALTIES AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

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- 18.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office or Jury Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 18.1.1 The protest time limits will be specified in the ASI.
- 18.1.2 If rule N1.4(b) applies, the time limit for requesting a hearing under that rule is 30 minutes after the party was informed of the panel's decision.
- 18.2 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held beginning at the time posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 15 minutes before the end of protest time Limit.
- 18.3 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform kiteboards under RRS 61.1(b).
- 18.4 A list of kiteboards that have been penalized RCT/DCT for causing tangles will be posted.
- 18.5 Penalties for breaches of the ER, STR, CMG, class rules, RRS 55 or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP] or [SP], should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the protest committee.
- 18.6 For breaches of NoR/SI marked [SP], the race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing to the race closest in time to the incident. The scores of other kiteboards shall not be changed; therefore, two kiteboards may receive the same score. However, the race committee may protest a kiteboard when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A kiteboard that has been penalized with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another kiteboard nor can another kiteboard request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 62.1 and Appendix A5.

- 18.7 On the last day of opening series, or on the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- 18.7.1 within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - 18.7.2 no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day;
- This changes RRS 66.
- 18.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## 19 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAM PERSONNEL

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- 19.1 All support team members shall be registered with the local organizing authority on registration day and shall comply with local legislation and the Support Team Regulations. The local organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 19.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where kiteboards are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all kiteboards have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## 20 PRIZES AND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

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- 20.1 Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 competitors in each gender, division and discipline
- 20.2 Age division may receive additional trophies depending on entry level
- 20.3 Prizes and/or Prizemoney will be awarded according to the individual event websites.
- 20.3.1 Prize money will be awarded once a valid result stands as provided by the rules.
  - 20.3.2 If no valid result stands, 50% of the advertised prize money will be evenly distributed between the competitors.
  - 20.3.3 When a number of competitors share the same position, the prize money for the shared position and the following unoccupied positions shall be added and then divided by the number of competitors sharing that position.
  - 20.3.4 If governmental tax deductions are applicable on prize money at an event, the local organizing authority shall provide competitors detailed information about the deductions and procedures on refund.

- 20.4 [DP] The top three competitors in each division, as well as individual race winners (if applicable) may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 20.5 [DP] Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.
- 20.6 If a competitor who finished in the top 3 in his/her discipline leaves the event before the conclusion of the closing ceremony or, if other competitor, leaves the venue before the day before the prize giving ceremony, IKA may exclude that competitor from the next IKA Snow Kite Championship or impose any similar sanction.
- 20.7 IKA may reduce or remove a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

## 21 [NP] [DP] INSURANCE

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- 20.1 Each competitor and 'person in charge' (see RRS 46) shall hold a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least EUROS 1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.
- 20.2 The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

## 22 RISK STATEMENT

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Competitors and support team participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Kiteboarding is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their equipment to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their equipment and their other property at any time.
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d) By participating in any form of competition, they are satisfied that their equipment is in good order, equipped to compete in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management and rescue team, judges, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of rescue craft cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

## 23 MEDIA RIGHTS

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By participating in the event, competitors automatically grant to the local organizing authority, IKA , all involved classes, and their sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during and after the period of the competition without compensation.

## 24 FURTHER INFORMATION

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For further information, please visit the individual event websites.



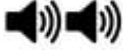



## 25 DOCUMENT CHANGE HISTORY

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13 January 2018    Initial Version

11 February 2018    Formula GPS format and procedures added

# APPENDIX A: FLAG SIGNALS

|  |   |                             |   |
|--|---|-----------------------------|---|
|   |    | Start Line Flags            | The starting line is between the two orange / white checkered flags   |
|   |    | Finish Line Flags           | The finishing line is between the two black / white checkered flags   |
|  or<br> or<br> |    | Class Flags                 | Warning Signal – 5 minutes<br>The Class flag identifies the group of riders for the next start, i.e. Snowboard, Ski, All together etc (to be specified in the Sailing Instructions) |
|   |  | Uniform Flag                | Preparatory Signal – 4 minutes<br>Racing Rules Apply<br>Removed 1 minute before the start – Start penalty applies   |
|   |  | Answering Pennant (AP)-Flag | All races are postponed<br>Ashore: 30 minutes to warning<br>Afloat: 1 minute to warning   |
|   |  | November-Flag               | Race in Progress is abandoned. All riders back to the starting area.  |
|   |  | First Substitute            | General Recall<br>All riders back to the starting area  |
|   |  | Lima Flag                   | Important Notice on the Notice Board  |
|   |  | Delta-Flag                  | Riders are released to explore the terrain<br>(Only used in Formula GPS)  |