

NOTICE of RACE

2012 IKA Course Racing Asian Championships

13.03. – 18.03.2012

Pranburi, Thailand

An International Kiteboarding Class Association sanctioned event

1 EVENT

- 1.1 The 2012 IKA Asian Course Racing Championship will be held from 13.03.2012 to 18.03.2012.
- 1.2 The **Event** includes the following Disciplines, Divisions and Grades:
Course Racing Men – Race board (RB) Class
Course Racing Women – Race board (RB) Class
- 1.3 At the same time, an event of the Asian Freestyle Championship series is taking place. Races will be scheduled in a way that competitors can attend both competitions. A further KTA Course Race Tour round for the Twin-Tip (TT) class will also take place as an integrated part of the course race championships.
- 1.4 The Event gives points for the discipline rankings as follows:
300 points for the winner of each division
- 1.5 There are equipment prizes for this event – total event value of prize package US\$12,000

2 ORGANISER

- 2.1 The event will be organised by the KTA for and on behalf of, and under specified conditions laid down by, the International Kiteboarding Class Association (IKA).
- 2.2 The event is organised in conjunction with Kite Zone Thailand.

3 VENUE

- 3.1 The event will be based at Pak Nam Pran Beach, Pranburi, Thailand
Kite Zone and the Beach House - contact Willy Kerr
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- 3.2 Conditions to be expected – winds 15-25kts cross onshore; water conditions: flat to choppy; water temperature 28C; air temperature 30-35C

4 RULES

- 4.1 This is an IKA sanctioned event governed by:
 - 4.1.1 The ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including the Experimental Kiteboarding Competition Rules
 - 4.1.2 The IKA Class Rules
 - 4.1.3 The IKA Championship Rules
 - 4.1.4 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
 - 4.1.5 The WSSRC Rules on WSSRC supervised events.
 - 4.1.6 This Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI)
 - 4.1.7 The IKA Point System
 - 4.1.8 The IKA Code of Conduct
- 4.2 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions (SI's), the SI's shall take precedence.
- 4.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 4.4 Changed Rules: No rule changes at the point of issue of this NoR

5 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 5.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.

- 5.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Kiteboarding Class Association, or of the relevant International Class Association, and their current year membership fees shall have been fully paid. National Associations shall be paid up members of the IKA.
- 5.3 Individual Membership formalities can be completed on site for competitors without national class association.
- 5.4 Entry numbers are limited as follows:
no limitation
- 5.5 The following qualifying procedures or systems apply:
no qualification
- 5.6 Competitors shall complete all registration formalities on site or by online registration:
- 5.7 Coaches and team support personnel shall complete registration formalities on site:
- 5.8 The Registration will take place at 13.3.2012 @ The Beach house, Pak Nam Pran, Pranburi

6 FEES

- 6.1 The Entry Fee is as follows: USD 75.00
- 6.2 Entries made on site shall be made in cash only.

7 SCHEDULE

Date	Designation	Day	Night
13 March 2012	Registration day	Registration and free ride warm-up day	Welcome party
14 March 2012	Competition day	Freestyle or Course Racing	
15 March 2012	Competition	Freestyle or course racing	
16 March 2012	Competition	Freestyle or course racing	Mid-Party
17 March 2012	Competition	Freestyle or course racing	
18 March 2012	Competition	Freestyle or course racing	Winners prize ceremony & closing party

8 ADVERTISING

- 8.1 ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code- shall apply.
- 8.2 Competitors may be required to carry advertising for event sponsors – both on their kiteboards, and on a lycra vest if supplied by the organiser.

9 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1 It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that his/her board and equipment conforms to its Class Rules.
- 9.2 For Course Racing Events, only equipment which is listed as eligible on the IKA production equipment list shall be used.
- 9.3 Equipment checks may be made throughout the event.
- 9.4 Competitors shall bring their own equipment.

10 IDENTIFICATION

- 10.1 Every competitor is required to wear the official event lycra with his personal identification number whenever competing or required by the event organisers for promotional purposes.

11 BUOYANCY

- 11.1** If personal buoyancy is prescribed every competitor and support boat crewmember shall wear, above the waist, a jacket harness or vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg un-inflated in fresh water. The buoyancy shall be tested with a ferrous metal weight of 4kg, which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.
- 11.2** Personal buoyancy is advised for all competitors under 17 years of age.
- 12 OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD**
- 12.1** The official notice board is located by the judge tower.
- 13 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
- 13.1** The event SIs' will be available at first skippers meeting latest, the Event Programme scheduling social events will be published on the official notice board
- 13.2** Alterations to the SIs shall be approved by the Class Representative.
- 14 COURSES**
- 14.1** The courses will be windward/leeward, with or without offset-marks and with or without gates.
- 14.2** Alternate courses may be used during the regatta depending on wind and weather conditions, but will always be based on windward/leeward courses.
- 15 SCORING**
- 15.1** The low point system of Appendix A shall apply – the winner of a race receives 0.7 points
- 16 PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 16.1** The Penalty System of Appendix BB Rule 44 will apply.
- 16.2** Sailing Instructions may alternatively specify that competitors may chose between the turn penalty and a scoring penalty
- 16.3** The speed discipline penalty, rule 39.2, will apply for speed competitions
- 17 INTERNATIONAL JURY**
- 17.1** An International Jury may be appointed in accordance with the RRS Appendix N.
- 17.2** Their decisions will be final and cannot be appealed, as specified in RRS 70.5.
- 18 SUPPORT BOATS**
- 18.1** Support boats and safety craft shall clearly identified.
- 19 STORAGE OF EQUIPMENT**
- 19.1** On completion of registration and continuing until the end of the regatta, when ashore (other than when launching and retrieving), all equipment shall be kept in their assigned places at the Beach House. Removal of any equipment from the regatta site may require prior written approval from the race committee. Access to equipment in the storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.
- 20 MEDALS AND PRIZES**
- 20.1** Medals or trophies shall be awarded to the first three competitors in each Class / Division depending on entry numbers. Categories to be awarded in each properly constituted division may be posted on the official notice board after the close of registration.
- 20.2** Additional equipment prizes will also be awarded – kites, boards and associated kiteboard equipment.
- 21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 21.1** Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The LOA, IKA, ISAF or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives are not responsible, under any circumstances, for any damage, loss or injury either ashore or on the water either to persons or equipment, which may result.
- 21.2** Participation in this event, supporting events and in each race in them is at the sole discretion of the sailor and at his/her own risk. Notice is drawn to RRS 4.

22 INSURANCE

22.1 Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 million Euro.

22.2 Coach and support boat drivers shall also have a valid third party liability insurance.

23 TELEVISION AND MEDIA

23.1 In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

24 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

24.1 Attendance at the Opening Ceremony, Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony is mandatory.

24.2 The organiser reserves the right to refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion.

25 DRUG TESTING

25.1 Competitors are reminded of the ISAF rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event.