



NOTICE of RACE

KTA Freestyle X - Thailand 2017

The KTA are pleased to invite kiteboarders to take part in the KTA Freestyle X Thailand event, under specified conditions laid down by the International Kiteboarding Class Association between the dates of

12. – 18.Mar. 2017
Pak Nam Pran, Thailand

1 EVENT

- 1.1 **KTA Freestyle X - Thailand** will be held from 12.March 2017 (Day of Registration) till 18.March 2017 (Day of Prize giving).
- 1.2 The **Event** includes the following Disciplines, Divisions and Grades:
 - Freestyle X Men / Women
 - TTR Asian Championships Men / Women (**details in separate NoR provided by IKA**)

Five entries are required to constitute a division, if there are less competitors in any division it is up to the organising committee to make the decision to run the division.

- 1.3 The minimum prize money will be the equivalent of USD 12'000 in Cabrinha equipment vouchers shared between both disciplines

2 ORGANISER

- 2.1 The event is organised by KTA

3 VENUE

- 3.1 The event will be based at the Pak Nam Pran Beach, Pranburi, Thailand
- 3.2 Conditions to be expected – dominant SE winds, 12-25 knots; water temperature 25C; air temperature min 28C max 34C

4 RULES

- 4.1 This is an IKA sanctioned event governed by:
 - 4.1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS).
 - 4.1.2 The IKA Class Rules
 - 4.1.3 The KTA 2016 X Champs Series rules
 - 4.1.4 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
 - 4.1.5 This Notice of Race (NoR), the IKA TTR NoR, the KTA NoR, the Sailing Instructions (SI) and the Contest Instructions (CI)
- 4.2 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

5 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 5.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.
- 5.2 Olympic gender requirements will apply
- 5.3 Entry numbers are limited as follows:

24 men and 12 women competitors for Freestyle

5.4 The Registration will take place at Pak Nam Pran Beach, starting 12.30MM till 5.00PM, 12.March 2017

6 FEES

6.1 Entry fee options are as follows:

- US\$ 50 per discipline if registered and paid online
- US\$ 60 per discipline if registered and paid on site

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 On the last day of the regatta no Warning Signal will be made after 15:00 hours.

7.2 Full event program and social event program can be found on the KTA website and will be posted on the ONB.

8 FORMAT

8.1 Freestyle X is a mix between old school and new school. 50/50 scoring.

9 COMPETITION AREA

9.1 The freestyle area will be a marked off square close to the beach.

10 ADVERTISING

10.1 ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code- shall apply.

10.2 Competitors may be required to carry advertising for event sponsors – both on their kiteboards, and on a lycra vest, if supplied by the organiser.

11 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

11.1 It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that his/her board and equipment conforms to its Class Rules.

11.2 Competitors shall bring their own equipment.

12 IDENTIFICATION

12.1 Every competitor is required to wear the official event lycra with his personal identification number whenever competing.

13 BUOYANCY

13.1 If the use of personal flotation devices 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.

13.2 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for all competitors under 18 years of age.

14 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

14.1 The event SIs' will be available at first skippers meeting, the Event Programme scheduling social events will be published on the official notice board.

14.2 Alterations to the SIs shall be approved by the Competition Director.

15 SCORING

15.1 According to KTA X Champs rules

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

16.1 The Penalty System of RRS 44 will apply.

17 INTERNATIONAL JURY

17.1 No Jury will be in place

18 MEDALS AND PRIZES

18.1 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.

18.2 Prize split is as followed:

Cabrinha Equipment Prizes 1st Place - Kites, 2nd Place - Boards, 3rd Place - Harness

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1 Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The LOA, IKA, ISAF, KTA 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.

19.2 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.

20 INSURANCE

20.1 It is the personal responsibility of the competitor to possess valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of 1 million Euro.

Third party liability insurance (2 million Euro cover) is available online through the IKA website <http://www.internationalkiteboarding.org/insurance>.

21 TELEVISION AND MEDIA

21.1 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.

22 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

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

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

23 INFORMATION

For further information please visit our website at <http://www.kiteboardtour.asia> or contact:

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