



## **US Kite Racing National Championship**

US Sailing Center – Long Beach

June 5 – 8, 2014

### **NOTICE of RACE**

#### **1 EVENT**

- 1.1 The US Kite Racing National Championship will be held from June 5 to June 8, 2014.
- 1.2 This event may include the relevant IKA Disciplines, Divisions and Grades dependent on entries.  
Except for Men and Women, five entries are required to constitute a division
- 1.3 The Event will be graded by as 20 point event according to the IKA point system

#### **2 VENUE**

- 2.1 The event will be based out of the US Sailing Center – Long Beach (USSCLB). The USSCLB will be the administrative and social activity hub. Racing will take place in the Long Beach Harbor between the Belmont Memorial Pier and the Alamitos Bay Jetty, inside the breakwater.
- 2.2 Conditions to be expected – dominant West winds; water temperature 60-70 degrees Fahrenheit; air temperature 68-78 degrees Fahrenheit.

#### **3 RULES**

- 3.1 This is an IKA sanctioned event governed by:
  - 3.1.1 The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS).
  - 3.1.2 The Sailing Instructions will specify an amendment of rules to limit the possibility to request redress limited to injury, damage and serious tangles, and the requirement to include a tack and a gybe when taking a turn penalty.
  - 3.1.3 This Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI).

#### **4 ENTRY REGULATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to equipment of the Formula Kite Class.
- 4.2 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.
- 4.3 All entries shall have registered an ISAF sailor ID.
- 4.4 Olympic gender requirements will apply.
- 4.5 Eligible competitors shall enter by completing the online entry form at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8096> by May 23, 2014 to take advantage of the lower entry fee. Competitors may enter up to 1100 hours on June 6, 2014 but will be charged a late fee in addition to the entry fee.
- 4.6 Competitors shall be members of a National Kiteboarding Class Association in good standing with the IKA. National Associations shall be paid up members of the IKA.  
If there is no paid up national association in affiliation to the IKA in the competitor's home country, competitors shall become individual members of the IKA

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee is \$150 for entries received by May 23, 2014. A late fee of \$50 will be applied to entries received after May 23, 2014.
- 5.2 Guests of entries may attend all social events for a fee of \$50, which can be paid with online registration or on-site.

## 6 SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event
Thursday, June 5 <sup>th</sup>	1500 – 1800	CHECK IN (USSCLB)
Friday, June 6 <sup>th</sup>	0900 – 1100	CHECK IN (USSCLB)
	1130	COMPETITORS MEETING (BEACH)
	1230	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
	1700	POST-RACING REFRESHMENTS (USSCLB)
Saturday, June 7 <sup>th</sup>	1100	COMPETITORS MEETING (BEACH)
	1200	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
	1700	POST-RACING REFRESHMENTS (USSCLB)
Sunday, June 8 <sup>th</sup>	1100	COMPETITORS MEETING (BEACH)
	1200	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
	1630	PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY (USSCLB)

On the last day of the regatta no Warning Signal will be made after 1530 hours.

## 7 FORMAT

- 7.1 The regatta format will be contingent on the number of entries and will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions. The format may include an Opening Series consisting of a Qualifying Series and Final Series, and a Medal Series.
- 7.2 Men and women may race together but will be scored separately.
- 7.3 There will be a maximum of six races per day.

## 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be Windward/Leeward with upwind starts.
- 8.2 Courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9 ADVERTISING

- 9.1 ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code - shall apply.
- 9.2 Competitors may be required to carry advertising for event and class sponsors on their kiteboards, lines, and on a lycra vest if supplied by the organizer.

## **10 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 10.1** It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that his/her board and equipment conforms to its Class Rules.
- 10.2** Special Notice is drawn to the use of leashes and fully functional depower and quick-release systems.
- 10.3** A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.
- 10.4** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **11 IDENTIFICATION**

Every competitor is required to provide and wear a jersey with his/her personal identification number whenever going afloat during the event. Jersey color/number will be required for registration.

## **12 BUOYANCY**

- 12.1** If the use of personal flotation devices is prescribed, every competitor shall wear, above the waist, a jacket harness or vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg uninflated 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.
- 12.2** Personal buoyancy is mandatory for all competitors under 18 years of age.

## **13 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 13.1** The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board and online (<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8096>) prior to the first Competitors Meeting.
- 13.2** Amendments to the Sailing Instructions shall be approved by the Class Technical Director.

## **14 SCORING**

- 14.1** At least three races shall be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 14.2** The low point system of Appendix A will apply. The Sailing Instructions will describe any system that is carrying over scores from one stage of the event to another as well as discards.

## **15 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 15.1** The Penalty System of RRS 44 as amended through the Sailing Instructions will apply. The penalty turn requires a tack and a gybe.
- 15.2** Sailing Instructions may alternatively specify that competitors may chose between the turn penalty and a scoring penalty.
- 15.3** Discretionary penalties and arbitration may be used as outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

## **16 STORAGE OF EQUIPMENT**

Equipment may be stored overnight in the multi-purpose room at USSCLB.

## **17 MEDALS AND PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the first three competitors in each Division, contingent on entry numbers.

## **18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

**18.1** Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The LOA, FK, 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.

**18.2** 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.

## **19 INSURANCE**

Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 million USD. Third party liability insurance (2 million Euro cover) is available online through the IKA website <http://www.internationalkiteboarding.org/insurance>.

## **20 TELEVISION AND MEDIA**

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the IKA and the Organizing 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.

## **21 INFORMATION**

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