



**2017 IKA TWINTIP:RACING
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NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (NoR/SI)

To be supplemented by Local Sailing Instructions (LSI)

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For a list of changes, see NoR/SI 25

1 DATE AND VENUE

Venue	Organizing Authority	Event	Dates	Prize Money
Joy Sea Beach Weifang China	China Kiteboard Union	TT:R Open (Open age and Youth divisions)	08.09.2017 - 13.09.2017	10000 EUR (open age division)
Pingtan Beach Pingtan China	China Kiteboard Union	TT:R World Championship (Open age division) TT:R Youth Open	18.09.2017 - 23.09.2017	10000 USD (open age division)

2 RULES

- 2.1 The events will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 including Appendix FS in the most current version. Other documents under RRS Definition: Rule (g) include:
- 2.1.1 [DP] The IKA Support Team Regulations (STR);
- 2.1.2 [DP] [SP] The IKA Equipment Regulations (ER); and
- 2.1.3 [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 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 2.4 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.
- 2.5 **For the youth divisions, only leading edge inflatable kites shall be used. This changes class rule C1.1**
- 2.6 In all rules governing the event;
- 2.6.1 The terms ‘rider’, ‘competitor’, ‘crew’, ‘athlete’ and ‘owner’ mean a person competing or intending to compete in the event;
- 2.6.2 The term ‘support person’ means persons as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing;
- 2.6.3 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee;
- 2.6.4 [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
- 2.6.5 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a kiteboard. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 2.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 All entries shall be made during on-site registration hours.

- 3.2 Entry is only complete when full payment has been made.
- 3.3 The events are open for competitors from any country, and for the following equipment and divisions.

IKA TwinTip:Racing Open

IKA TwinTip:Racing with leading edge inflatable kites Boys (born 1999 and later)

IKA TwinTip:Racing with leading edge inflatable kites Girls (born 1999 and later)

Competitors may only enter into one division.

Additional gender and age divisions may be established depending on entry. A minimum of 5 entries per age/gender division is required. The results for such divisions will be calculated by simple extraction from the overall rankings of the above official divisions.

- 3.4 Competitors shall bring their own equipment.
- 3.5 World Sailing Eligibility will apply. Each competitor shall be registered as a World Sailing Sailor on the World Sailing website.
- 3.6 Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or the World Sailing Executive, each competitor shall be a national of the country of his Member National Authority (MNA). Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality when requested.
- 3.7 Each competitor shall be a member of an IKA full member (National Class Association) of either his/her nationality or his/her country of permanent residence. A valid membership card or other satisfactory evidence of membership shall be presented at registration if requested.
- If no full member (having paid its annual subscription) exists, the competitor must become individual member of IKA. Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 3.8 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration.
- 3.9 Olympic gender requirements will apply.
- 3.10 All competitors wishing to compete must personally sign the entry form at registration at the time and place published. Exceptions may be granted by the Technical Director at his sole discretion.
- 3.11 Competitors shall provide the following documentation prior to completing registration formalities on site:
- Proof of Entry Fee payment
 - Evidence of national class association membership
 - World Sailor ID

- Evidence of valid third party insurance – minimum EUR 1.5 million per event or the foreign currency 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

3.12 On-water caddies, coaches and support team personnel shall provide the following documentation prior to completing registration formalities on site:

- Boat Driving License (if applicable)
- Evidence of valid third party insurance for drivers of coach boats – minimum EUR 1.5 million per event or the foreign currency equivalent.

4 ENTRY FEE

- 4.1 The competitor's entry fee will be 50 USD per event. The entry fee includes daily lunch, water and energy drinks.
- 4.2 Entry is free of charge for competitors that have entered the KiteFoil GoldCup events held at the same time.
- 4.3 Payments made on site shall be made in cash (EUR, USD, RMB) only.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 The schedule will be as follows:

Day 1	Registration	1500-1700 hours
	Opening Ceremony	1900 hours
Day 2-6	Racing As per conditions and coordinated with the KiteFoil GoldCup Races	1100-1800 hours
Day 6	Prize Giving	1900 hours

5.2 Not more than four elimination series / half fleet / full fleet races per division per day will be sailed.

5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 17:00 hours.

6 FORMAT

The format will be a single series consisting of multiple single elimination series, half fleet and full fleet races.

7 STARTING AND FINISHING

7.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange/white chequered flag on the race committee starting vessel and the course side of the nearby mark to leeward.

7.2 A buoy may be attached to the race committee starting vessel anchor line just below keel depth. Kiteboards shall not pass between this buoy and the race committee starting vessel at any time. This buoy is part of the race committee starting vessel ground tackle.

7.3 To alert kiteboards 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 seven minutes before a warning signal is made.

- 7.4 [DP] When a starting sequence is in progress, kiteboards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 75 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- 7.5 The finishing line will be between a black/white chequered flag on the race committee finish vessel and the course side of the nearby mark to leeward.
- 7.6 The race committee finish vessel is identified by a black/white chequered flag. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 7.7 [DP] Kiteboards that have finished racing shall sail clear of the finish area.

8 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 8.1 Time limits and target times, in minutes, for the final series are as follows:

<u>Format</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Mark 1 Time Limit</u>	<u>Target Time</u>	<u>Finish Time Window</u>
Elimination Series	7	2	3	2
Half Fleet	10	4	6	4
Full Fleet	15	8	10	5

- 8.2 If no kiteboard rounds Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the Race Committee shall abandon the race.
- 8.3 Any kiteboard that does not finish within the Finish Window (time after the first kiteboard finishes) shall be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

9 COURSES AND RACING AREAS

- 9.1 The courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left will be posted on the Official Notice Board not later than 20 minutes before the start of the first heat.
- 9.2 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

10 [DP] IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

- 10.1 When provided by the local Organizing Authority, kiteboards and competitors shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:
 - 10.1.1 Competition bibs for all competitors with the individually assigned lycra number, worn over all other clothing and equipment at any time when afloat;
 - 10.1.2 Individual event leader bibs with individually assigned lycra number, worn over all other clothing and equipment at any time when afloat;
 - 10.1.3 Event advertising;
 - 10.1.4 Cameras and other media equipment; and
 - 10.1.5 [SP] Tracking and timing system equipment.
- 10.2 [SP] Any advertising from previous events shall be removed.

11 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 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 17 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 11.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes RRS Part 4 preamble.
- 11.4 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 RRS Race Signals preamble.
- 11.5 The LSI will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than the first riders briefing, and will be available at the event and/or IKA website, and by hard copy on request only.

12 CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Any change to the NoR/SI and the LSI will be posted 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

- 13.1 [DP] Flag AP over H displayed ashore means 'Kiteboards shall not leave the beach. Wait for further instructions.' This changes RRS Race Signals AP over H.
- 13.2 [DP] [NP] If the use of personal flotation devices is prescribed, every competitor and support boat crew member shall wear, above the waist, a jacket harness or vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg uninflated in fresh water, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The buoyancy shall be tested with a ferrous metal weight of 4kg, which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.
- 13.3 [DP] [NP] Personal buoyancy is mandatory for all competitors under 18 years of age

14 [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

- 14.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.
- 14.2 Kiteboards that are not competing shall keep clear of the competition area and any official boat.
- 14.3 Kiteboards that are on a Course Area or passing through a Course Area to which they are not assigned shall remain clear of the area where kiteboards are racing and any official boat.
- 14.4 IKA may reduce or remove a prize (including prize money) in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

15 EVENT SCORING

- 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 15.2 Each Elimination Series counts as one race.
- 15.3 A kiteboard's series score will be the sum of her race scores, excluding her worst score when 4 to 6 races are completed, her two worst scores when 7 to 10 races are completed, her three worst scores when 11 to 15 races have been completed, and her four worst scores when 16 and more races are completed. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.4 A kiteboard starting later than 1 minute after her starting signal or, if Start System B (Rabbit Start) is used 1 minute after the rabbit has reached the race committee starting vessel, will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 15.5 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.
- 15.6 Additional age divisions rankings will be calculated by simple extraction from the overall rankings.

16 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 16.1 Kiteboards shall comply with the Event Equipment Rules as defined in the Equipment Regulations from 1 hour before the warning signal of the first race of the event.
- 16.2 [DP] Special Notice is drawn to the use of leaches and fully functional depower and quick-release systems.
- 16.3 [DP] Competitors shall ensure that a completed "Equipment Registration Form" is returned to the Race Office during the official on-site registration period. This may be done electronically through a system provided by the Race Committee. Exceptions may only be granted by the Race Committee.
- 16.4 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be permitted unless authorized by the Race Committee or Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the relevant committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.5 [SP] When coming ashore, a kiteboard can be instructed by a member of the Race Committee or the Technical Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

- 16.6 [SP] Information on equipment to be measured post-racing each day will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Competitors shall present the equipment to be measured at the time posted.

17 INTERNATIONAL JURY

- 17.1 An International Jury may be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Their decisions will be final and cannot be appealed, as specified in RRS 70.5.

18 PROTESTS, PENALTIES AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1 The protest time limits for any protests other than for breaches of RRS part 2, RRS 28 and RRS 31 is 30 minutes after the last kiteboard has finished the last race / heat of the day for that Class/Division/Fleet/Flight, or when AP over A, or N over A is displayed.
- 18.2 Notices for protests received under NoR/SI 18.2 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 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, 63.1 and A5.

18.7 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; and

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

19.1 All support team members shall be registered with the local Organizing Authority at registration and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Support Team Regulations. The local Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at its sole discretion.

19.2 Support boats shall clearly display their national 3 letter country code in black on a white background, either on a flag of a minimum of 50cm x 40cm in size or on the cover of their outboard engine

19.3 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

20.1 Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 competitors of each division.

20.2 Additional age division winners may receive additional trophies depending on entry level

20.3 Prize money will be awarded as follows:

20.3.1 1/3rd of the overall prize money (EUR/USD 3333) is assigned to the TT:R Open (Women) division as follows:

Rank	Percentage
1	45
2	30
3	15
4	10

20.3.2 2/3rd of the overall prize money (USD/EUR 6667) is assigned to the TT:R Open (Men) division as follows:

Rank	Percentage
1	25
2	20
3	15
4	12
5	10
6	7
7	5
8	3
9	2
10	1

20.3.3 Prizes will be awarded once a valid result stands as provided by the rules.

20.3.4 If no valid result stands, 50% of the advertised prize money will be evenly distributed between the competitors.

- 20.3.5 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.
- 20.3.6 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 finishes in the top 3 in his/her discipline leaves the event before the conclusion of the closing ceremony or, if any other competitor leaves the venue before the day before the prize giving ceremony, IKA may exclude that competitor from the next IKA Championship Event 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

- 21.1 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 EUR 1.5 million or foreign currency equivalent per incident.
- 21.2 The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

22 RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1 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 whether afloat or ashore;
- 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 team, rescue crafts, judges, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the Organizing Authority does not relieve them of their own responsibilities; and
- 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

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

For further information, please visit the event website, www.twintipracing.com

25 DOCUMENT CHANGE HISTORY



- 27 June 2017 Initial Version
- 20 July 2017 2.5 Youth divisions equipment
3.3 Equipment and divisions
- 23 July 2017 1. Added TT:R Open World Championship status
2.5: Youth divisions shall only use leading edge inflatable kites