On May 15, 2023, the International Kiteboarding Association announced that entries will be limited for the Formula Kite Men’s and Women’s European Championships (“the Event”), and that the US has been allocated three male entries and three female entries (see LINK). Therefore, this document will govern the selection for sailors representing the United States. The Notice of Race (NoR) can be found at this LINK.

Definition of a Prospective Athlete

A person meeting all the Athlete Eligibility requirements specified herein who wishes to compete in the Event.

1. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- All prospective athletes shall be registered as a current and active ‘World Sailing Sailor’ on the World Sailing website.
- Athletes must be members in good standing of US Sailing.
- Athletes must meet all requirements in the NoR including those regarding nationality, gender and anti-doping.
- Athletes must comply with the US Sailing Code of Conduct (LINK) from the publication date of this document through the Event.

2. SELECTION PROCEDURES FOR ENTRIES

Due to the limited time between this announcement by the IKA and the Event, the ISC has determined that the most equitable solution will be to use the rankings that were determined by the selection procedures for the 2023 Sailing World Championships and published HERE. If additional entries are available, they will be awarded to the next highest ranked athlete.

3. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION

A discretionary selection system will be used if more entries become available than eligible Kite athletes from the 2023 Allianz Sailing World Championships Selection Procedures using the same system described in that document.

4. REMOVAL OR WITHDRAWAL OF ATHLETES

An athlete who has been nominated to represent the U.S. may be removed for any of the following reasons:

- Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to Kate Drummey, Olympic Operations Manager, at KateDrummey@ussailing.org.
• Violation of the Code of Conduct (LINK). Any athlete found to have violated the Code of Conduct at any time from the publishing of this document through the completion of the Event may not be eligible to represent the USA at the Event. All decisions regarding an Athlete’s violations of the Code of Conduct in regard to an athlete’s eligibility to compete at the Event will be made by US Sailing based on the procedures defined in the US Sailing Bylaws and Regulations.

5. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following committee was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

JJ Fetter | Chair of International Selection Committee, Olympian  
Judge Ryan | Alternate Athlete Advisory Representative to USOPC for Sailing  
Briana Provancha | US Sailing Director, Olympian  
Sarah Lihan | US Sailing Director, Sailor Athlete  
Luther Carpenter | Coach  
Sally Barkow | US Sailing Team Head of Operations, Olympian  
Joe Morris | former Athlete Advisory Representative, Olympian  
Thomas Barrows | Olympian  
Charlie McKee | Olympian  
Leandro Spina | Coach  
Tony Rey | US Sailing Director, Sailor Athlete  
John Pearce | US Sailing Youth Director  
Cory Sertl | Olympian

6. ATHLETE OMBUDSMAN

Athletes who have questions regarding their opportunity to compete that are not answered by US Sailing may contact either of the following:

• US Sailing Athlete Ombudsman, Bob Lane by email at rlane@hmallc.com.
• USOPC Athlete Ombudsman Kacie Wallace by email at kacie@usathlete.org.  
  Telephone | (719) 866-2299  
  Toll-free telephone | 1-(888) ATHLETE (1-888-284-5383)  
  Email | athlete.ombudsman@usoc.org  
  https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Ombuds

7. DISCLAIMER

The Selection Criteria are based on the latest information available to US Sailing.

AS THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY FOR SAILING IN THE UNITED STATES, THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT DISCRIMINATE BASED UPON THE APPLICANT'S RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, AGE, SEX OR NATIONAL ORIGIN, DISABILITY, VETERAN STATUS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, GENETIC INFORMATION, OR ANY OTHER STATUS PROTECTED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAW, WHERE APPLICABLE.