

## **VIDEO CONTEST GENERAL INFOS /INTRO: SEND YOUR VIDEO SUBMISSION NOW IF YOU WANT TO BE POINTED OUT TO THE CUESTA DEL VIENTO BIG AIR**

Where the best and craziest kitesurfers in the World are battling at the 2022 edition of Cuesta del Viento Big Air in, San Juan, Argentina. The event will be part of Red Bull FLY-TO King of the Air and will allowed to select the best rider to join the main event in Cape Town, Red Bull King of the Air.

### **Fleet:**

- **18 rider** will compete in Cuesta del Viento Big Air.
- **6 invited riders or local organizer wildcards** (invited riders and/or local riders eventually selected by National Championship)
- **Remaining 12 riders** will be pointed out by video submission.

### **Video Contest:**

Video judging will be the same as during the event. The judges are looking for: **1 minute of hot action, showing only your best moves from the past year of riding.**

### **Few tips to wrap-up the perfect video:**

- 5 Jumps only – Make your selection, Show your 5 best moves (only)! Max 5 moves – A maximum of 5 moves/clips in each edited video. There will be no further judgement after the 5th move is shown/completed.
- Best 3 scores count - The panel will judge video-clip on Red Bull King of the Air Judging Criteria based on 3 best significant different tricks/jumps and general flow (strictly different jumps/tricks).
- Variety in the jumps and move-selection is extremely important. Repetition of similar jumps (and/or tricks) could result in lowering scores.
- Take-off and Landing - Make sure to include clearly visible the Take-off and the Landing. No Take-off or Landing = No score.

Also:

- No fancy editing required.
- Max 1 min video-clip length.
- No footage older or filmed later then in the last/past year.
- No previous Red Bull King of the Air video clips or entry application or part of event live stream will be allowed.
- No point of view (POV) clips as: line, mouth, board, kite, harness mount-cam footage.

### **Dates:**

The Cuesta del Viento Big Air event has an open window from the 12th – 17th of April for the best possible Big Air conditions

Deadline for video submission is **MARCH 27th.**

Submit your video here: [\(CLIC to enter in registration page\)](#)

## VIDEO CONTEST RULES:

The panel of judges will select the top riders who will gain entry to compete in the most exciting "Extreme Big-Air" kiteboarding contest in the world.

### **Event Schedule:**

VIDEO ENTRIES OPEN **07 March**

VIDEO ENTRIES CLOSE **27 March**

RESULT ANNOUNCEMENT **01 April**

Cuesta del Viento Big Air Red Bull Fly TO King of the Air is an invitational event. Only the invited riders are allowed to enter the event competition. The Red Bull King of the Air Video Contest will determine the list of invited riders (reserves included), selected by the Event Team and Judging committee, to participate and compete at Red Bull King of the Air (main event).

### **Invitational and confirmation:**

The top videos will gain a slot to the event and be automatically invited.

Invited riders will have to confirm participation and get organized for travelling to the event.

Should a selected rider not confirm participation, his or her slot will go to next reserve in line.

### **Video Contest Judging Criteria:**

The Red Bull King of the Air judges evaluate the rider on the basis of an overall impression score that will combine:

**Height:** Go as hard and high as possible! The height in combination with extreme moves is priority, but we will also take the horizontal distance travelled in account (combined with certain powered moves).

**Extremity:** Controlled extreme high moves! Think about extremely powered and/or extremely technical, or ultimately a combination of this as long as it is performed on a proper height. In addition: Progression, amplitude, variety, execution, and grade of difficulty of the trick are important.

**NOTE:** Extreme action does not relate to low-level freestyle tricks, or straight and 'easy' jumps, for that matter. The panel will consider only high jumps, skill and combinations of moves. Other things we take into account are: angle of the kite, length in the air, control and landing.

Video Contest Format Guidelines:

**1 VIDEO** per entrant: 1 rider = 1 video-clip. The riders do have the option to remove/update/ replace a video with a newer/better one during the course of the competition, only one video per rider will be scored.

**5 MOVES** - Each rider can include a max nr of 5 jumps/moves in each edited video. (No further judgement after the 5th move is shown/completed).

**BEST 3** - Best 3 scores counts - The panel will judge video-clip on Red Bull King of the Air Judging Criteria based on 3 best significant different tricks/jumps and general flow.

**VARIETY** - Variety in the jumps and move-selection is extremely important. Repetition of similar jumps (and/or tricks) could result in lowering scores.

**TAKE OFF & LANDING** - Each filmed trick shown in the video-clip must

include the rider's start, the execution and the landing. Make sure that take-off is clearly visible as well as the Landing. If the landing is cut-off or removed it will probably reduce chances of consideration from the panel. (No take-off or landing = No score).

**FOCUS** - Do not split the video-clip/camera-angles at mid jump. The clip will need to show and follow the entire jump from take-off to landing.

No slow-motion playback, regular speed playback only.

**EDITING** - No fancy editing required. Raw unedited will also work. Videos do not need to be a masterpiece of editing, all we need is to clearly see the potential of the rider and the value of the moves.

**LENGTH** - Max 1 min. the video clip can not exceed 60 seconds (1',00"). We are not looking for long video clips (clip can be shorter but no further judgement after 59" seconds or after the 5th move is shown/completed).

**OLD FOOTAGE** - Footage must have been filmed in the past 12 months.

**KOTA FOOTAGE** - No previous Red Bull King of the Air video clips or entry application or part of event live stream will be allowed.

**ISTA** - No Instagram videos allowed. Please submit a Youtube video link. Instagram videos limit the judges ability to pause and think.

**POW** - No point of view videos: Line, mouth, board, kite, harness mount-cam footage, as it does NOT show the real perspective (height and length) of the jump and the period in air. Also no drone shots from a FPV/ follow drone.

Identity & Conditions:

**IDENTITY** - Each rider/participant must identify themselves at the beginning by specifying the individual name and country of residence. This can be done in an audio or graphic way.

**CONDITIONS** - Event organizer and Red Bull reserves the right to cancel or postpone Fly To Red Bull King of the Air Video Contest 2022 and Red Bull King of the Air 2022 at any point.

Submissions to this competition do not guarantee selection for Red Bull King of the Air 2022.

Event committee & Judges decision is final.

**Video Contest Application/Entry:**

Visit the website to learn more about competition dates, format, athlete registration, rules, regulations, and more.

Register & Enter ([Here](#)).

# **CUESTA del VIENTO BIG AIR**

## **Red Bull FLY TO KOTA**

### **EVENT RULES SUMMARY**

#### **REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION**

- 1) Registration: CUESTA DEL VIENTO BIG AIR is an invitational event. Only the invited riders are allowed to enter the event competition.
- 2) Division of fleets (18 riders):
  - Top 12 video contestants from CUESTA DEL VIENTO BIG AIR Video Contest ranking (online video competition will include wildcards)
  - Top 6 Selected or Invited riders by event organizer.
- 3) Every competitor needs to complete registration in person before the official registration period ends. All official registration periods will be posted on the official CUESTA DEL VIENTO BIG AIR website.
- 4) Participant Disclaimers. All athletes entering the event will have to read and sign the Participant Disclaimers form at registrations.
- 5) Compulsory Medical Insurance: All athletes entering the event must have their own private Medical/hospital insurance valid during the competition dates in order to participate in the event. The event organiser reserves the right to refuse any athlete to participate in the event if he/she does not have sufficient medical/hospital insurance. A copy of this insurance will have to be submitted to the organisers before or at the official event registration in order to be validated.
- 6) CUESTA DEL VIENTO BIG AIR is a Open event and with no gender restrictions (male or female). Any one with Big Air skills can be part of it.

#### **OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD**

- 1) Any changes in the instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board. All competitors have the responsibility of checking the Official Notice Board periodically for any changes.
- 2) Each competitor is responsible for checking his heat number. This will be posted on the Official Notice Board, at least 15 minutes before the start of the first heat.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

- 1) No limitation. It is the sole responsibility of the rider to choose and use appropriate equipment for his safety and the safety of third-party.
- 2) Equipment control: Event Beach Marshal will inspect and ensure that all kite-safety devices are well maintained and functional.
- 3) Use of safety leash is mandatory. Competitors without safety leash are not allowed in the competition area. If a competitor competes without a safety leash will be disqualified.
- 4) Use of impact vest is highly recommended to all riders/competitors.

#### **RESULT INVALIDATION:**

- 1) Suitable Conditions for Extreme Big Air events is very much related to the wind strength in combination with the surf/wind swell. In the occasion that,

due to weather circumstances or unforeseen, event contest will be held in unsuitable condition, the result will count for contest ranking but will not be considered official.

2) Competition will be invalidate at conclusion of Final heat (podium).

### **PRIZE MONEY & REWARDS:**

1) Prize money will be allocated according to the following table:

- 1st. place 1500 usd +
- 2nd. place 1900 usd
- 3rd. place 1600 usd



Wild Card Winner: the winner of the contest will gain a flight/travel costs to Red Bull King of the Air in CT at Event Organizer expenses.

### **JUDGING - JUDGING PROCEDURE - SCORING**

#### **JUDGING CRITERIA**

Best 3 Jumps + Impression Score

- **HEIGHT + EXTREMITY**
- **3 BEST SCORES** : Only the 3 best tricks of the whole performance will be counted and will form part of the final result.  
**VARIETY** within your best 3 counted moves is a key-factor
- **1 IMPRESSION SCORE** combination of different factors as: technical difficulty / style / execution / risk / show / innovation, with big emphasis for variety, for the entire heat duration.
- The sum of these **4 scores** (that weigh evenly) will be the final score. (3 best scores + 25%+25%+25% + 1 Imp. score 25% =100%)
- **NB:** Judging Criteria could be subject to changes due to constant update by judges committee. (refer to rider's meeting at event competition day for latest up-date).

#### **EXTREME BIG AIR JUDGING CRITERIA:**

- **Height** in combination with **Extremity**.
- No limitation in maximum number of moves/combinations attempts per heat (including crashes) or repetitions for the same jump. - Only the 3 best significant different tricks of the whole performance will be counted and will form 90% of the final result (n.3 scores time 30%=90%).  
**Variety** within your significant different 3 moves is a key-factor, as focus is to prize the most complete "Extreme Big Air" rider.
- **IMPRESSION SCORE:** A 4th score (unique score) for overall impression of the entire performance will be given at the end of the heat, this score will be determined by considering a combination of different factors as: technical difficulty / style / execution / risk / show / innovation, this will be added to the total score as 10% of the final result.
- **The average** of these 4 scores will be the final score. (n.3 scores time 30%=90%+1 score 10%=100%).

## **CONDUCT RULES**

1) **GENERAL ATTITUDE.** All riders must, by their actions & general attitude, during the entire event and at all times promote the image of the sport, the sponsors of the event, and themselves in a professional manner. Any failure to do so immediately prior to, during and immediately after the event may result in a warning, fine or disqualification of the event.

2) **OFFICIAL ATTENDANCE.** All competitors may be required to attend a post heat/Contest media conference immediately after, or within 15 minutes of the end of heat/Contest, whether he is a winner or loser. Members must wear the official event vest or a suitable supplied by the organiser during this conference. Competitors failing to attend a post heat/Contest media conference or to wear the correct bib/lycra vest will be penalised.

3) **COMPETITION AREA VIOLATIONS.** Riding in the course/competition area when not competing: Violation under this rule will incur a warning or disqualification from the event or elimination.

4) **INTERFERENCE PENALTY.** The head judge may call an interference penalty if;

- another kiteboard changes course to obstruct another kiteboard.
- there is deliberate unsportsmanlike action with other competitors in the heat.

\*Interference penalty;

-If an interference penalty is called on a competitor, then the competitors final score will be penalized with a loss of his best scoring trick collected up to the time interference/fault was called.

- If a competitor incurs a second interference penalty during the heat, he must immediately leave the competition area and he will on longer be scored from this point.

5) **SAFETY.** Riding in a manner that can be considered to be dangerous or a threat to the safety of other competitors will not be tolerated. All disputes under the rules shall be conducted on this principle. Each competitor, when in a position to do so, must render every possible assistance to a competitor in danger and assist organisers with any rescue information in the event of a rescue being needed. All details on medical and safety plan will be presented to riders during the official rider's meeting. Responsibility of Competitors: It is the sole responsibility of each competitor to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race and to provide for his/her safety.

6) **UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT.** Any members failing to conduct themselves at all times in a sportsmanlike manner and or give due regard to the authority of officials and the rights of opponents, spectators, members of the media or other persons, will incur a fine and/or disqualification from the event or elimination. For the purpose of this rule, unsportsmanlike conduct is defined as any misconduct that is clearly abusive or detrimental to the sport, but does not fall within the prohibition of any specific on site offence contained in these rules. In addition, unsportsmanlike conduct shall include but not be limited to the giving, making, issuing, authorising or endorsing any public statement having or designed to have an effect prejudicial or detrimental to the best interests of the KOTA event, the organisers or the sport.