

STARKITES



S-BOW 08

Quick setting Guide

“Starkites® is a brand strongly committed to design **quality** kite gear. Based in Cabarete (DR), worldwide renown all year-round windy spot. Pro kites and kites feedback is integrated in all stages of our product development process. Our team made of genuine passionate and experienced kiteboarders, test and design strong and innovative kites to help all levels kites grow their passion in a fun and safe way.”

Sizes: 3, 5, 8, 11, 13, 15

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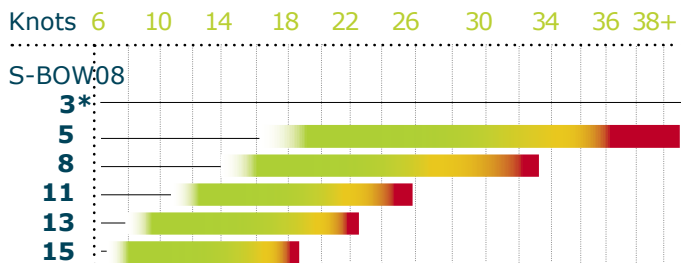
Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Starkites® S-BOW08. Your S-BOW08 kite sets the standard in safety, performance and usability for the next generation of water and snow kites.

- Featuring:

- Genuine 100% de-power
- "Just let go" Safety system
- Super-easy, super-reliable "no swim" relaunch
- Pull-pull power trim
- 360 degree emergency chicken-loop release handle
- Tough, durable construction
- 3D grip pro bar
- S.L.S: Spin Lock Stopper™

Before you use your S-BOW08, read this user-guide carefully, even if you are an experienced kiteboarder; it contains important information about your kite and the techniques you should use to maximize your fun and safety.



Indicative for S-BOW 08 for average rider of 75kg using 135cm board

* 3m² S-BOW 08 is only adapted for light persons (under 50kg) and for learning purposes.

Starkites® gear designed by Eric Beaudonnat

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Warnings

- Always store your kite dry to increase lifespan and avoid color run.

Always take a lesson from an IKO approved instructor before using any kite.

- Always wear an helmet when using kiteboarding equipment.
- The location in which you learn is usually different from the one you will practice in. Therefore, make sure you have the necessary knowledge to be able to practice in a different spot.
- The location for practice must be evaluated in order to make sure the wind strength and stability are

safe, to see if there are potential obstacles and to verify that there is a secure area to launch and land your kite.

- Never practice alone, do not go away from the shore any further than you can swim back from.
- Almost all accidents occur on land so before going out on your own, make sure that your abilities to determine kite-size, prepare your equipment and land your kite alone have been evaluated according to the IKO kiteboarder certification standards.
- Train to use all safety system before using the kite under power.

Safety Fundamental

1. Letting go of the bar, but staying hooked in will completely depower the kite.

2. Releasing the chicken-loop will completely depower your kite.

3. Releasing the leash will separate you completely from your kite (provided you are not in the chicken-loop).

Remember, maximum fun comes from maximum confidence, maximum confidence comes from maximum safety.

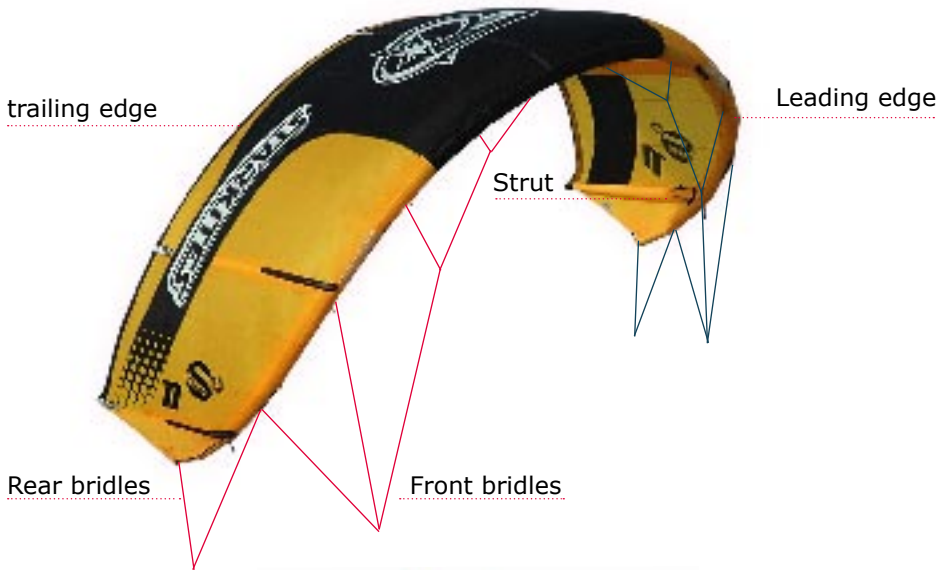
To enjoy your kiteboarding as much as possible, BE SAFE:

- Get lessons from an IKO instructor.
- Wear an helmet and appropriate safety gear.
- Know your limits.
- Know your equipment.
- Know the spot.
- Know the weather.

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Enjoy your Starkites® S-BOW08!

Functionalities



Leash release handle

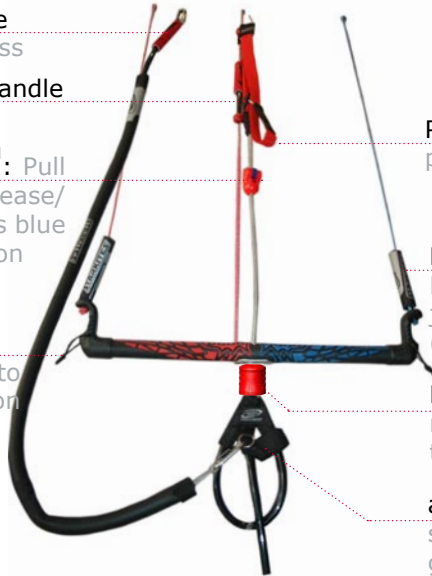
To connect on harness

2nd Leash release handle

Spin Lock Stopper™: Pull toward you to release/ Push away and press blue part to lock in position

Line keeper

Put on top of lines to keep them in position after winding it



Adjusting the power



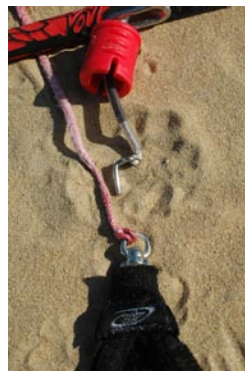
To de-power your S-BOW pull down (towards you) on the red part (-).



To power-up your S-BOW pull down (towards you) on the black part (+).

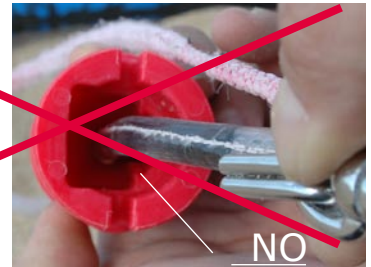
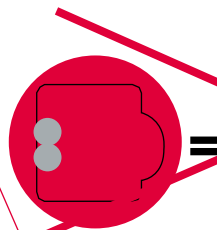
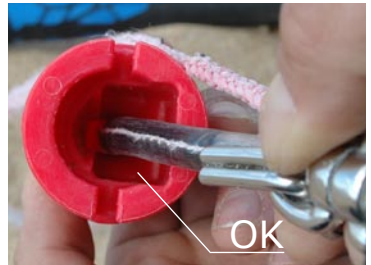
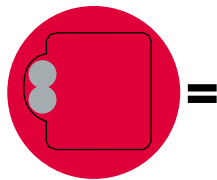
Pull as many times as needed, webbing is released gradually.

Emergency Release



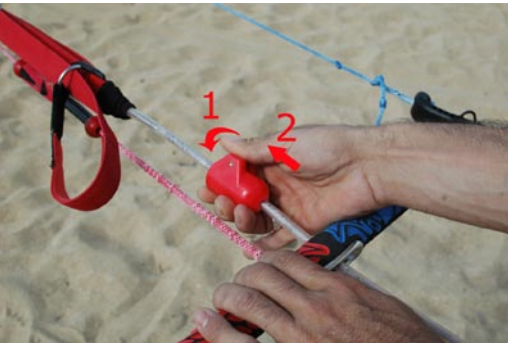
To release in an emergency, grab the red handle and firmly push it away from you (in the direction of the arrow). This action will disconnect you completely from your chicken-loop and the kite power will be killed.

Reseting Chicken loop release handle



Make sure the pin is located as in the picture above, if not do half a turn to red part

Spin Lock Stopper™ (S.L.S)



Locking the S.L.S

- 1 Push on the blue wheel
- 2 Move stopper up (toward, power strap)



Unlocking the S.L.S

Pull toward you

Liabilitie:

The S.L.S is designed for your safety and self release when bar pressure is too strong. The factory setting is on hole number 1 (as in picture below) Changing to full lock position, hole number 2, will not allow the S.L.S to release the kite power automatically.

S.L.S option:

Your Spin Lock Stopper™ can be set on:

1-auto release (axle in hole 1 on the blue wheel)

2-complete lock (axle in hole 2 on the blue wheel)

Both allow to adjust the position of the S.L.S on the center line.



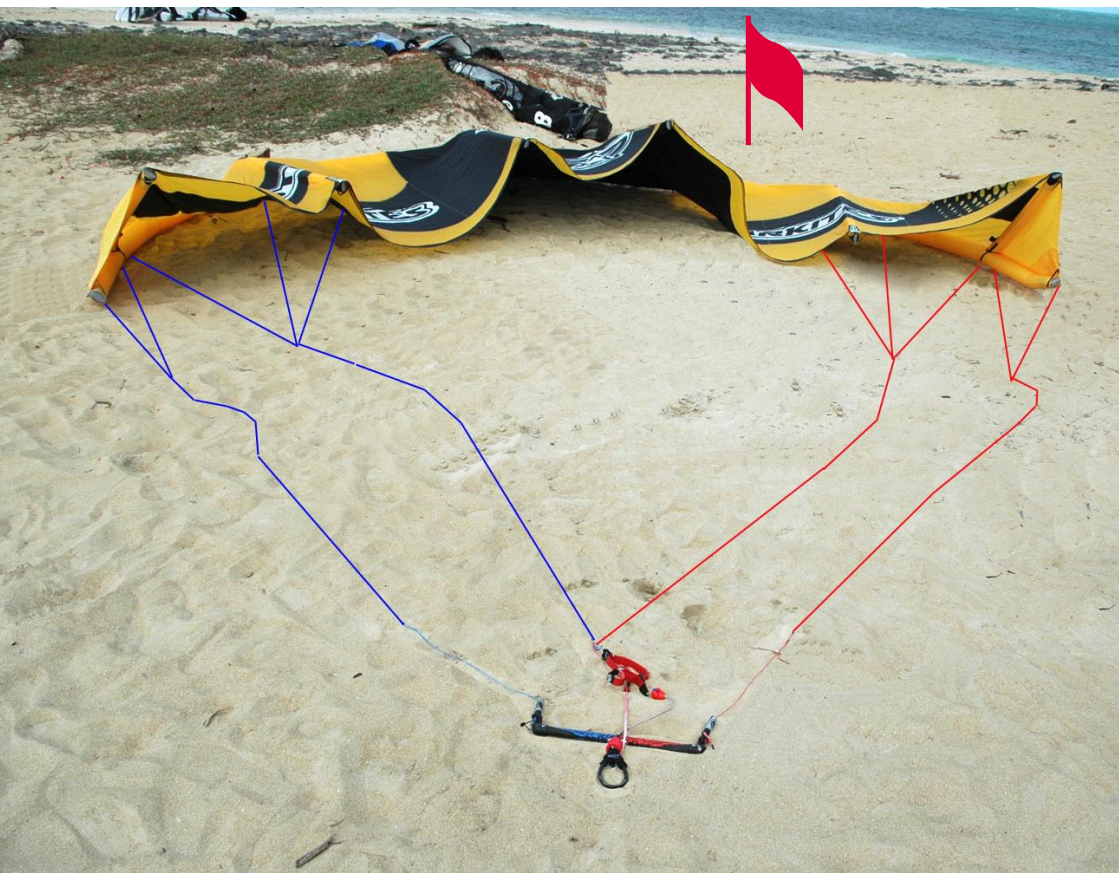
The S.L.S is made of Polyurethane, which is a high resistance material

Kite set up bar down-wind:

The first time you set-up your S-BOW, it is strongly recommended that you have an expert go through the process with you.

Ensure that all the bridles are untwisted, and that everything on the

bar is untangled and running freely. The kite should be placed leading- edge down, facing into wind as in pictures. You should then attach the lines corresponding to the diagram below.



If you don't understand this section you **MUST** take a lesson from professional instructor who will explain everything clearly.

Kite set up bar up-wind:



Self launching

Warning:

DO NOT USE THIS PROCEDURE WITH STANDARD C-SHAPED KITES OR IN STRONG WIND.

Always double check the lines setting before launching your kite.
Train in light wind and do not disable any safety system.



● Your kite is inflated and secured and you are ready to go in the water.

To secure your kite:

- Position it facing the wind
- Put enough sand so it won't be lifted by a gust.

● Your lines are set. Position your bar so the lines have an angle of 45 degrees to the wind .

If you have a stopper system on your center line, release it fully .
If the wind is strong apply some de-power before you launch.



● Pull on the further tip to the bar, until the kite takes the wind, up to the second strut.

Important: if you leave your kite unattended for more than a few minutes, always disconnect the lines.



- Secure the obtained position by putting some sand on the kite.



- Position yourself like for a standards launching, walk backward to tense the lines. the kite will automatically get the air, rotate and launch.
- Release the power by pushing the bar away once the kite takes off.

Note: the kite may move on the sand to reach the correct angle for launching according to the wind.

Water relaunching



- Never swim toward the kite.
- Pull the bar toward you (like for maximum power)
- Bend over and grab a leader line (on the side of the bar) as far as possible
- Pull on the leader line while keeping the bar as close as possible to your body.
- Push the bar away and release the leader line when the kite starts re-launching.

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134 x 42 cm
140 x 43 cm



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