

# ECLIPSE 2009 SAFETY INSTRUCTION SHEET

Your safety is important to us. We strongly suggest that you follow these instructions.

## LEARN HOW TO TRIGGER THE QUICK RELEASER BEFORE YOU START KITING !

While you setup your kite bar, learn how to trigger the quick releaser.

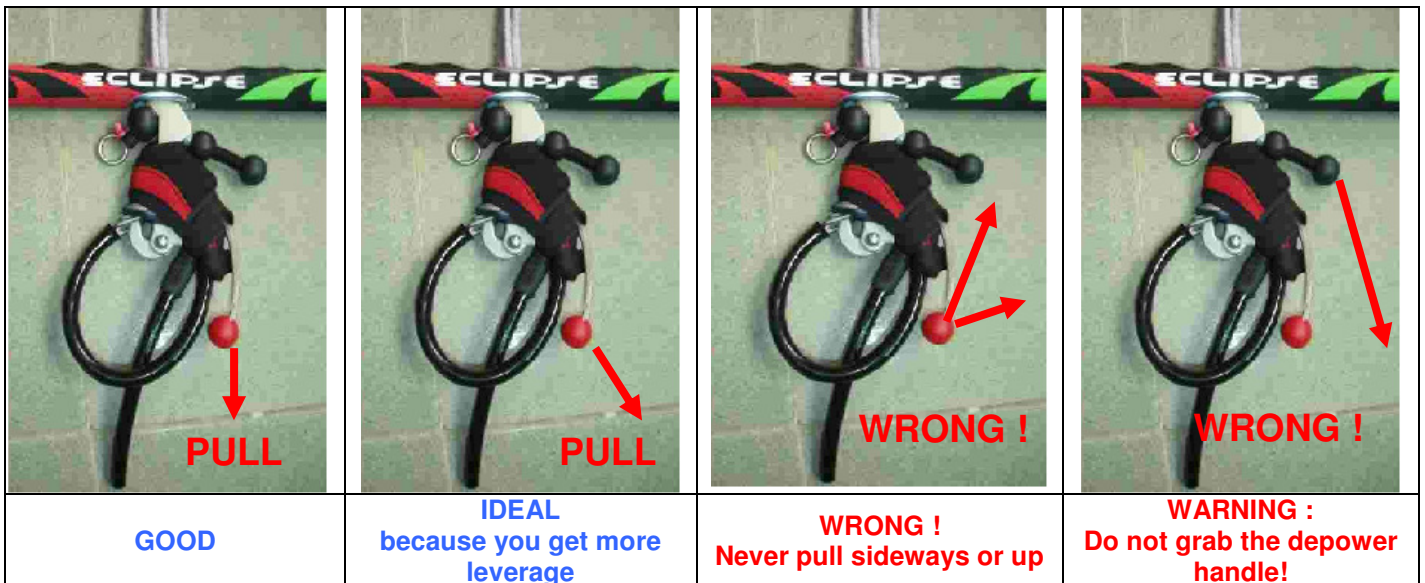
It is possible that you have to get rid of your kite while your kite bar is under the water, especially if you are caught in a wave or being pulled by the kite in the water and not riding your board. Therefore, we suggest that you learn how to trigger with your eyes closed, while you are safe and on the ground.

Hook the chicken loop to your harness and ask a friend to hold and pull your kite bar. Close your eyes, and then grab the double rope and follow the rope with your hand until you reach the chicken loop. Make sure you grab the red ball, not the 2-black ball depower handle!!!

## TRIGGERING THE QUICK RELEASER

The quick releaser is designed to be very safe: it can release even under very strong load with minimal effort. It complies with French Afnor safety standards. To release the kite :

- Grab the red stop ball
- Pull the red ball towards yourself, ideally with an angle of 45°, because you will have more leverage



## ALWAYS CLEAN THE QUICK RELEASER AFTER KITING

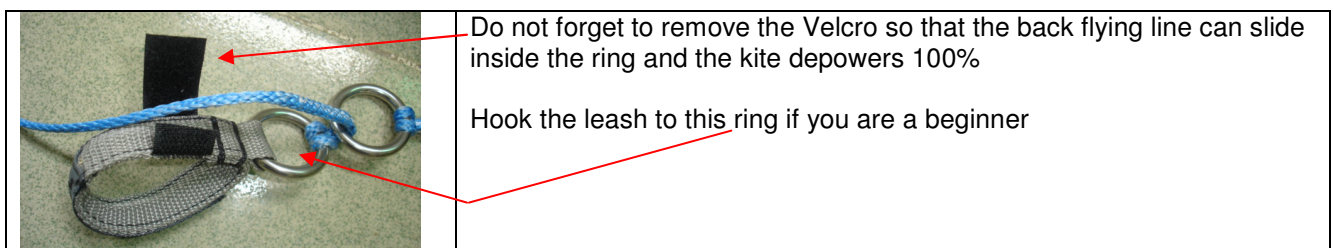
Once you are finished kiting, make sure you clean the quick releaser with *fresh* water, not *salt* water! Salt water will leave some salt that will dry up and make the quick releaser harder to rotate and open. Make sure you open the Velcro of the neoprene cover to remove sand, dust, stones and salt and clean it with fresh water.

## BEFORE YOU START KITING, MAKE SURE YOUR QUICK RELEASER WORKS FINE

Trigger it once everytime before you go kiting, to make sure it will release without any problem.

## CONNECTING THE LEASH

If you are not an experienced rider, we suggest that you connect the leash to one of the back flying lines ; do not connect the leash to the ring next to the quick releaser if you are not an experienced rider.



## REPLACE THE QUICK RELEASER EVERY 2 YEARS AND ELASTIC EVERY YEAR

Salt, sea water, sand and sun tend to wear out your gear very quickly. In order to ensure maximum security, replace your quick releaser (QR) every 2 years and the elastic holding the QR every year, assuming you kite once or twice a month. Replace your gear more often if you kite more than once or twice a month.