

Boards

Kitesurfers can use different types of boards.

Two types of boards are:

- Directional kiteboards – especially designed for kiteboarding. (These have foot straps, fins and sometimes footpads.)
- Wakeboards – designed to be pulled behind boats for tricks and jumps. (Only a confident kitesurfer usually uses a wakeboard.)

Wakeboard



Directional kiteboard



Harness

A harness allows the surfer to be connected to the kite. A kite has strong flying lines that are connected to a control bar. The control bar has a loop which can fit into the hook of the harness.

The hook helps to prevent the kitesurfer's arms from getting too tired by taking the *pull* of the kite.

The surfer can use the harness like a power control system to increase or decrease power during kitesurfing.

