

Agenda
American Water Ski Association
Board of Directors Virtual Meeting
Saturday, January 30, 2021 9:00 am central

- 1) Opening & Call to Order
- 2) Introduction & Roll Call
- 3) Announcement of Quorum
- 4) Opening Administrative Motions
- 5) Appointment of Parliamentarian
- 6) Confirmation of Voting Roll
- 7) Adoption of Agenda
- 8) Review and Approval of Aug. 3, 2020 BOD Meeting Minutes
- 9) Ratification of BOD Electronic Ballots since last Meeting
- 10) Nominating Committee Report
- 11) AWSA President's Report
- 12) AWSA Executive Committee Report
- 13) AWSA Treasurer's Report
- 14) USA-WS Executive Director's Report
- 15) Pan Am Confederation IWWF Report
- 16) Pan Am Tournament Council Report
- 17) International Activities Committee Report
- 18) Athlete Advisory Council Report
- 19) USOC Report
- 20) Other Committee Reports

- a) Announcers Committee
- b) Awards Committee
- c) Boat Driver's Committee
- d) Bylaws Committee
- e) Judges & Scorers Committee
- f) Junior Development Committee
- g) Rules Committee
- h) Safety Committee
- i) Seeding Committee
- j) Skier's Qualification Committee
- k) Technical Committee
- l) Towboat Committee

21) New Committees Reports

- a) Fund Raising Committee
- b) Membership and Marketing Committee
- c) Ski League Committee
- d) Social Media Committee
- e) Americas Cup Committee

22) Regional Recommendations

- a) East
- b) Midwest

- c) South
- d) South Central
- e) West

22) Old Business

23) New Business

24) Date & Time of Next Meeting

25) Adjourn

Nominating Committee Report

AWSA Presidents Report

Power Point presentation

USA Water Ski and Wake Sports
2020 Membership by State and Sport Discipline
(grouped alphabetically by State)

State/Country	ABC	AKA	AWS	NCW	NP	NSS	NWR	USA	USH	USW	WKS	WSD	Grand Total
AE			1										1
AK			8	1									9
AL		2	107	1		1	1	1		2			115
AR			26	2	1						1		30
AZ	2		42	3		6	15		2	2	3	1	76
CA	19		711	69		12	108	2		37	4	10	972
Canada			55		1	1	1					1	59
CO	4	2	160	6		8	6	2	1	6			195
CT	4	2	106	1	2	27	3			3	1	1	150
DC			2										2
DE	1		17	2									20
FL	54	13	623	8	14	363	3	3	4	19	2	8	1114
Foreign	1		50	3	1	1	3						59
GA	5	1	121	6	1	9			2	3		6	154
HI	1	1	5							2			9
IA	9	2	61	10	3	310		1		5		2	403
ID		1	54			2	4				2		63
IL	9	5	194	30	1	310		3		10		5	567
IN	8	1	183	7	2	106	2			8		5	322
KS	1	1	91	11		24				5		1	134
KY			48	1		1	1			3		1	55
LA		1	48	6	1				1	1			58
MA	8	4	147	1	12	107	5	1		7	1	2	295
MD			26				1			1			28
ME			18		2	28					1	2	51
MI	13	2	255	56	7	162	3	1	1	8	3	6	517
MN	24	6	244	11	3	385	8		3	7	5	3	699
MO	12	3	102	19	2	140	2		1	5		3	289
MS	2		35										37
MT	2		15										17
NC	3		131	2	4	15	7	3		5	3	6	179
ND			4			1						1	6
NE			32	8		1	1						42
NH	2		65	1	1	1	1					1	72
NJ	9		84	1		47				4			145
NM			2										2
NV			15			1	9			1	1		27
NY	4	1	152	4	1	38	5			5		2	212
OH	15	9	200	33	3	97	4	3	2	7			373
OK			47	1	1								49
OR	3		79		1	33	1					1	118
PA	29		121	4	2	4	1	1	1	6	2		171
PR			1										1
RI	1		1	1		1							4
SC	6		85	8		65	3			1			168
SD	1		12			104	1						118
TN	2	2	100	8	3	3	2	1		1	1		123
TX	20	2	526	49	11	120	3	2	2	22	6	6	769
UT			84	2	2	1	1		1	2			93
VA	3		110	3	1	40	1			2		3	163
VT	1		21										22
WA	4		234	4	1		1	2		1		1	248
WI	41	7	183	19	4	1423	10	5	2	30		6	1730
WV			2					1					3
WY			10										10
Grand Total	323	68	5856	402	88	3998	217	32	23	221	36	84	11348

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MN	24	6	244	11	3	385	8		3	7	5	3	699
IL	9	5	194	30	1	310		3		10		5	567
MI	13	2	255	56	7	162	3	1	1	8	3	6	517
IA	9	2	61	10	3	310		1		5		2	403
OH	15	9	200	33	3	97	4	3	2	7			373
IN	8	1	183	7	2	106	2			8		5	322
MA	8	4	147	1	12	107	5	1		7	1	2	295
MO	12	3	102	19	2	140	2		1	5		3	289
WA	4		234	4	1		1	2		1		1	248
NY	4	1	152	4	1	38	5			5		2	212
CO	4	2	160	6		8	6	2	1	6			195
NC	3		131	2	4	15	7	3		5	3	6	179
PA	29		121	4	2	4	1	1	1	6	2		171
SC	6		85	8		65	3			1			168
VA	3		110	3	1	40	1			2		3	163
GA	5	1	121	6	1	9			2	3		6	154
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WV			2					1					3
NM			2										2
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PR			1										1
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CURRENT MEMBERSHIP AS OF 12/31/2020 BY SPORT DISCIPLINE AND TYPE

Sport Discipline	TOTAL MEMBERS	Individual Active *	Family Active HOH (FA0)	Family Active Dep's (FA1-9)	Under 25 Active (U25)	GR Active (GRA)	Amb/Life Active	TOTAL ACTIVE	Key/ Individual Supp. **	Amb/Life Supp.	TOTAL SUPP.	TOTAL ACTIVE & SUPP. MEMBERS	NEW MEMBERS (see note below)
ABC	323	148	31	47	30	21	12	289	23	11	34	323	42
AKA	68	11	5	38	8	4	0	66	2	0	2	68	21
AWS	5856	2507	529	1090	800	279	143	5348	205	303	508	5856	656
NCW	402	78	11	10	294	4	1	398	3	1	4	402	90
NP	120	37	1	9	18	13	0	78	30	12	42	120	17
NSS	3998	821	557	1764	707	101	7	3957	31	10	41	3998	414
NWR	217	108	10	62	12	18	1	211	5	1	6	217	37
USH	23	11	2	3	0	3	0	19	1	3	4	23	4
USW	221	64	9	67	49	14	1	204	13	4	17	221	78
WSD	84	44	6	13	7	9	1	80	2	2	4	84	14
TOTALS	11348	3841	1165	3103	1937	472	166	10684	317	347	664	11348	1394

* Wakesurf affiliates are included in the totals above but are shown below; ** Key/Supporting counts above include 42 FREE digital memberships.

Wakesurf	36	12	4	12	6	34	2	2	36	21
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	2020	2019	Difference
Camps	15	14	1
Clubs	442	484	-42
Dealers	1	2	-1
Ski Schools	13	7	6
Guests YTD***	711	2059	-1348

NEW MEMBERS: These numbers indicate the number of active and supporting members who have joined during the previous 12 months and do not have a previous member record on file. The New Member numbers are included in the Total Active and Supporting Members column. The New Member numbers may not be 100% accurate as some previous members may have re-joined as new members rather than renewing an existing membership.

GUESTS: YTD Guest Members are noted to the left and are not included in annual memberships above;

***281 of Guest Members are free memberships from GOTW Week sanctions

DIFFERENCES IN CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - 2020 to 2019

Sport Discipline	TOTAL MEMBERS	Individual Active *	Family Active HOH (FA0)	Family Active Dep's (FA1-9)	Under 25 Active (U25)	GR Active (GRA)	Amb/Life Active	TOTAL ACTIVE	Key/ Individual Supp.	Amb/Life Supp.	TOTAL SUPP.	TOTAL ACTIVE & SUPP. MEMBERS	Total Memb. % + / -	Active Memb. % + / -	NEW MEMBERS (see note above)
ABC	-46	-20	-5	-10	-13	3	0	-45	-1	0	-1	-46	-12.47%	-13.47%	-4
AKA	-14	-11	0	2	1	-6	0	-14	0	0	0	-14	-17.07%	-17.50%	5
AWS	-845	-260	-34	-90	-434	-38	-7	-863	25	-7	18	-845	-12.61%	-13.89%	-308
NCW	-425	-13	-3	-3	-403	-5	0	-427	3	-1	2	-425	-51.39%	-51.76%	-253
NP	-6	-2	-2	-5	-6	8	0	-7	1	0	1	-6	-4.76%	-8.24%	-8
NSS	-1624	-392	-206	-646	-331	-52	-1	-1628	3	1	4	-1624	-28.89%	-29.15%	-424
NWR	-15	-23	0	4	-3	5	1	-16	1	0	1	-15	-6.47%	-7.05%	3
USH	-12	-6	-1	1	0	-6	0	-12	0	0	0	-12	-34.29%	-38.71%	-2
USW	-196	-12	-5	4	-141	-40	1	-193	-3	0	-3	-196	-47.00%	-48.61%	-98
WSD	-31	-12	-1	-6	-7	-2	-1	-29	-3	1	-2	-31	-26.96%	-26.61%	-20
TOTALS	-3217	-751	-257	-749	-1335	-136	-7	-3235	24	-6	18	-3217	-22.09%	-23.24%	-1108
Wakesurf	-3	0	0	0	2	-3	0	-1	-2	0	-2	-3			1

AMERICAN WATER SKI ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WINTER MEETING REPORT

AWSA Exec Committee met December 5th virtually. Minutes are available if needed.

The following are our action items from the meeting

1. Create library of tips and training videos for members only to increase member value
2. Start Water ski visibility/waterways task force
3. Bring back Competition task force
4. Develop one competition format for teams, handicap and ability based and get them into WSTIMS and on rankings, make them readily available and test (might be part of competition task force duties)
5. Compile list of all course and jumps in nation (might be part of visibility task force duties)
6. Exec will meet quarterly instead of yearly
7. Develop fund sponsorship packet for funding Nationals webcast

The following are items are being presented for board approval

1. Bid for 2022 Jr Us Open, attached in packet
2. Start funding webcast via budget line item @ \$5,000
3. Build own AWSA website, solicit bids
4. Solicit bids to pay to re-program our rankings list so its written in newer language, has more features, and can be maintained without volunteer help
5. Develop free membership brochure/pamphlet to give to our main ski companies and Masterline to be placed in every sale. AWSA will work on a brochure/pamphlet and work with companies to get them in their hands and fund the project. Budget will be adjusted once price is bided out

Bell Acqua Lake 3 Bid
Junior US Open Water Ski Championships
June 19-21 or June 26-28, 2021

Experience:

- Bell Acqua Lake 3 has hosted several premier tournaments including the 2018, 2019 and 2020 Mastercraft Ball of Spray Cash Prize which features Open and Amateur skiers competing for \$6,000 in Prize money.
- From 2016 to 2020 Bell Acqua Lake 3 has hosted the “Best of the West” Junior Development camp featuring top coaches and skiers.
- The Bell Acqua community had the honor of hosting the 2019 Syndicate NCWSA Nationals with Slalom and Trick held on Lake 3. We are excited to announce that Jaimee Bull broke the Collegiate Slalom record with 5.5 at 39’ off on Lake 3.
- In 2021 the California Pro-Am is in negotiations to be held on Bell Acqua Lake 3.
- In the past Lake 3 has hosted the US Nationals, Malibu Open and a number of Pro Events.

The Development:

- Bell Acqua is a custom-built competition water ski community, consisting of 3 custom lakes and 18 homes. The site is located in Rio Linda, California but has immediate access to the larger city of Sacramento with many restaurants, casinos, large malls, theaters and more all located near the site. A Six-Flags theme park is 45 minutes away and Lake Tahoe is an easy one hour drive. In addition, San Francisco and Napa are amazing destinations within 60-90 minutes. A wonderful family vacation can be planned around a visit to the Junior Us Open!
- Bell Acqua Lake 3 was drained and redesigned in 2015 as a record capable 3-event lake. It features a well-maintained Bemman Jump Ramp and 2 tournament boats, a 2019 and a 2020 Ski Nautique. There is a main dock, a starting dock and a swim dock for maximum recreation. It is a privately owned, single-family lake therefore free from constraints of homeowners or members. The Bell Acqua community of 3 lakes is supportive of Junior Skiing and can be a source of many officials and drivers to help the tournament run smoothly.

The Site:

There is a large warehouse on site with indoor basketball, ping pong, gym facilities and and private meeting space for officials. The warehouse can host a

large group for dinner if weather is inclement. The warehouse has 2 ground-floor bathroom facilities and 3 (or more) additional portables are placed on site for events. An outdoor shower facility and hot tub are adjacent to the dock. There is a large paved parking lot for skiers and officials and a large dirt lot for RV's and overflow traffic. There is a white-sand beach area and another additional swim area with dock for families. The peninsula between the lakes is ideal for spectators who might want to set up shade tents. There is a large fire pit with built-in seating for 20+ on the turn island for evening hang-outs. There is also a dirt walking/biking path around the lake to stay active.

The Lake:

The lake is 2040' long and runs North-South with Redwood and Eucalyptus trees for wind protection. The lake is approximately 6' deep in center with clay bottom with beautiful aqua water. The gradual 10:1 slope sand shorelines and two turn islands virtually eliminate all back wash. There is a large starting dock for slalom and jump with a grass area for skiers and their equipment. It is separate from the main dock which is ideal for trick. The main dock can accommodate a boat on a lift and one or two in the hole on standby.

Officials and Transportation/Housing:

2 large, newly constructed shipping containers are modified into an Officials area featuring air conditioning and heat, computers, monitors, printer, refrigerators and all new cameras for judging. A new Splash Eye for jump is on-site as well. There are two levels to the Officials area for scoring and judging on separate levels.

Most importantly, the Officials have a fantastic mid-course view.

Bell Acqua is within 15-20 minutes of Sacramento International Airport with ample rental car facilities and within 15 minutes to all major hotels. An adjacent smaller airport is available for private planes and San Francisco International Airport and 2 other major airports are 90 minutes away. Limited on-site accommodations are available for officials and RV's are welcome as well with limited hook-ups

Local Support:

- We have great support from our neighbors as most are 3-event or traditional water skiers. We have a number of Senior rated Officials and Drivers that live on site that would be interested in working the event as well as a number of local Senior-level officials. We also receive support for these large events from local media, they frequently air stories from Bell Acqua.

•Ski rides may be available for family members next door at Lake 2 as guests of homeowners and Lake 1 has a full ski school for lessons and drop-ins. <https://bellacqualake.com/> Ski rides are also available at many beautiful ski lakes nearby like Liquid Zone <http://skiliquidzone.com>

Enclosed are a few photos to better give you a feel for the site and amenities. In addition enjoy the Flow Point Video of Collegiate Nationals with a visual of the lake site! We had an absolute blast with hundreds of Collegiate skiers!
<https://youtu.be/BVf3fYvMoDk>

We hope you will allow us the opportunity to host this awesome event in 2021!

Sincerely,
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Budget vs Actual December 31, 2020

	AWSA General		35 + Fund (RTF)		Elite Team Fund (RTF)		**U14 (RTF)		U17 Fund (RTF)		U21 Fund (RTF)		**Other Team Restricted Funds		80409.38	83872.62	**Physician Restricted Funds				
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual			
Begin Balance 1/1/20		54871.97		244.79		5606.92		7261.70		9458.84		2965.16		0.00		80409.38		3463.24			
Income																					
															0.00	0.00					
Contributions		0.00		605.00		825.00		691.00		501.00		340.00	0.00	4121.00	0.00	7083.00					
Unrestricted Fund Dist 12/31/18													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
General Support	27000.00	29360.00											0.00	0.00	27000.00	29360.00					
Interest Income	50.00	56.08											0.00	0.00	50.00	56.08					
National Entry Fee	13500.00	11151.00											0.00	0.00	13500.00	11151.00					
Regional Support	1500.00	1500.00											0.00	0.00	1500.00	1500.00					
Team Support - Auction Items													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
Fund Consolidation													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
MW General Fund													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
**\$1150 to Membership													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
**\$1150 to Yr 2019 Programming													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
CanAM													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
World Games													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
U21 Worlds													0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
Total Team Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Income	42050.00	42067.08	0.00	605.00	0.00	825.00	0.00	691.00	0.00	501.00	0.00	340.00	0.00	4121.00	42050.00	49150.08	0.00	0.00			
Expense																					
Awards	7000.00	5870.27											0.00	0.00	7000.00	5870.27					
Membership/USAWS	7000.00	1921.81											0.00	0.00	7000.00	1921.81					
Directors Insurance	600.00	537.40											0.00	0.00	600.00	537.40					
Officials Maintenance	500.00	312.00											0.00	0.00	500.00	312.00					
Meeting Expenses	2000.00	1763.43											0.00	0.00	2000.00	1763.43					
Travel	1500.00	503.75											0.00	0.00	1500.00	503.75					
Scoring Website	1000.00	2014.00											0.00	0.00	1000.00	2014.00					
Bank Service/Credit Card Fees	0.00	116.66											0.00	0.00	0.00	116.66					
Uniforms	0.00	500.00											0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00					
Nationals Webcast	0.00	-246.72											0.00	0.00	0.00	-246.72					
Fundraising Expenses	0.00												0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
Team Expenses	0.00												0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					
Elite PA World Team	21025.00												0.00	0.00	21025.00	0.00					
Programming	1500.00	1500.00											0.00	0.00	1500.00	1500.00					
Total Expense	42125.00	14792.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42125.00	14792.60	0.00	0.00			
Net Income	-75.00	27274.48	0.00	605.00	0.00	825.00	0.00	691.00	0.00	501.00	0.00	340.00	0.00	4121.00	-75.00	34357.48	0.00	0.00			
Ending Balance 12/31/20		82146.45		849.79		6431.92		7952.70		9959.84		3305.16		4121.00		114766.86		3463.24			
Notes:																					
**Other Team Restricted Fund Balances 11/03/20			Accounts Receivable														Per Quickbooks		19910.43		
Physician	3,463.24		USAWS-WS		\$	746.90													Junior Develop		-1992.68
Can Am Team	-		Regional Support:																Net Income		17917.75
MW Genl Team	-																				
World Games	-				\$	-															
Unallocated Team Funds	4,075.88		Total A/R		\$	746.90															
PanAm Funds	-																				
Total	7,539.12																				
NOTE**Accured Exp - Membership \$6930																					
<div><div>****Junior Development Funds held in AWSA Bank Accounts</div><div><div>Balance Dec 31, 2019</div><div>18,717.51</div></div><div><div>Income</div><div>8,529.41</div></div><div><div>Expenses</div><div>(10,522.09)</div></div><div><div>Balance Aug 31, 2020</div><div>16,724.83</div></div></div> <div><div>Net Inc Above</div><div>34357.48</div></div> <div><div>JD Net</div><div>-1992.68</div></div> <div><div>Net Inc QB</div><div>32364.80</div></div>																					

Per Quickbooks	19910.43
Junior Develop	-1992.68
Net Income	17917.75

USA WS American Water Ski Association Budget vs Actual December 31, 2020

	CanAm		**MW General		**World Games				**Pan Am		*Unallocated Team		Junior Development	
	Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Begin Balance 1/1/20		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		-45.12		18717.51
Income														
Contributions												4121.00		8529.41
Unrestricted Fund Dist 12/31/18														
General Support														
Interest Income														
National Entry Fee														
Regional Support														
Team Support - Auction Items														
Fund Consolidation														
MW General Fund														
**\$1150 to Membership														
**\$1150 to Yr 2019 Programming														
CanAM														
World Games														
U21 Worlds														
Total Team Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4121.00	0.00	8529.41
Expense														
Awards														10522.09
Membership/USAWS														
Directors Insurance														
Officials Maintenance														
Meeting Expenses														
Travel														
Scoring Website														
Bank Service/Credit Card Fees														
Uniforms														
Nationals Webcast														
Fundraising Expenses														
Team Expenses														
Elite PA World Team														
Programming														
Total Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10522.09
Net Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4121.00	0.00	-1992.68
Ending Balance 12/31/20		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00		4075.88		16724.83
Notes:														
**Other Team Restricted Fund														
Physician														
Can Am Team														
MW Genl Team														
World Games														
Unallocated Team Funds														
PanAm Funds														
Total														

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	AWSA General	35+ Team (RTF)	Elite Team (RTF)	U14 Team (RTF)	U17 (RTF)	U21 (RTF)	Physician (RTF)	America's Cup	Unallocated (RTF)	TOTAL
Bal 12/31/20	82,646.45	849.79	6,431.92	7,952.70	9,959.84	3,305.16	3,463.24	-	4,075.88	118,684.98
Reallocation of Unallocated Team Funds	0.00	0.00	1,018.97	1,018.97	1,018.97	1,018.97	0.00		-4,075.88	0
Balance 1/1/21	82,646.45	849.79	7,450.89	8,971.67	10,978.81	4,324.13	3,463.24	0.00	0.00	118,684.98
Income										
Clinic Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
General Support	23,670.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,670.00
Interest Income	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Junior Dev Rev	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
National Entry Fee	13,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,500.00
Regional Support	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Team Support										0.00
Open Worlds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Can Am Team	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Elite World	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Juniors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pan Am	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
U21 Worlds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Team Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Income	38,720.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,720.00
Expense										
Awards	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00
Membership	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Directors Insurance	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
Officials Maintenance	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Meeting Expenses	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Travel	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Scoring Website	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Nationals Webcast	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Grassroots Basic Skill	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
World Team - Doctor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Programming	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Elite PA/World Team	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00
Total Expense	49,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	50,600.00
Net Income	-10,380.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1,500.00	0.00	0.00	-11,880.00
Estimated Ending Balance 12/31/21	72,266.45	849.79	6,431.92	7,952.70	9,959.84	3,305.16	1,963.24	-	4,075.88	106,804.98

For Consideration:

1. AWSA Website Development	Solicit Bids
2. Rankings List Re-programming	Solicit Bids
3. Brochures with New Skis Sold- Digital Free Membership (QR Code Scan)	Solicit Bids

USAWSWS Executive Directors Report



IWWF LICENCE

Talking Points and FAQs

Introduction

*Based on a decision made at the 2019 IWWF Congress in Malaysia, all athletes wishing to register for Ranking List (RL) / Record Capability (RC) competitions must hold an IWWF Licence in the future. The introduction of the IWWF Licence will begin with the Barefoot, Cableski, Wakeboard Boat, Wakeboard Cable and Waterski disciplines as of January 2021 (see * concerned Homologation Codes). The disciplines Disabled Ski, Racing, Show Ski and Wakesurf will follow in 2022.*

Also, from January 2021 it will be effective that all RL/RC competitions and all participants must be registered in EMS and electronically downloaded to the IWWF Scoring System. Scorers will not be able to register RL/RC competitions manually in the IWWF Scoring System anymore.

Overall Concept

- The IWWF Licence is valid for the duration of a calendar year (January 1 to December 31).
- The “IWWF Order Licence” will be activated in the IWWF Event Management System EMS on January 4, 2021 (first working day of the year for our IT-Provider).
- An athlete will only be permitted to participate in an *IWWF Ranking List* event if he/she is in possession of an IWWF Licence valid for the year of the competition (USD25.00 for a Yearly Unlimited Licence or USD7.00 for a Single Competition Licence).
- He will order his IWWF Licence in the IWWF EMS through the “Purchase IWWF Licences” button on the Public Athletes menu item and pay by credit card in US Dollars or Euros. The process is quick, easy and user-friendly.
- Federations will be able to order Yearly Unlimited Licences in bulk for their respective National Teams (one single payment for several Licences). Families and Clubs will also be able to order their Licences in bulk with one single payment. The Licences will be designated for a specific Athlete and credited to his account in EMS. Licences will not be transferable to another Athlete. EMS will issue email confirmations/receipts.
- The USD25.00 Yearly Unlimited Licence will be non-refundable.
- The USD7.00 Single Competition Licence will be flexible and not linked to a specific competition. It will be sold in the form of “tickets” through the “Purchase IWWF Licences” function (see above). If the competition is cancelled or the Athlete is rejected, he will be credited with a ticket on his EMS “Licence Account” to use for a future competition.
- Plastic Licence cards will be NOT be issued: in case of control, the Athlete will easily be able to prove to be in possession of a valid Licence by showing his EMS “Licence Account” on his smartphone.
- The Licence gives the right to participate in competitions of all disciplines.

Why an IWWF Licence?

- During the 2019 IWWF Congress held in Malaysia, it was decided to launch an IWWF Licence to help finance/reduce costs for organisers to host future IWWF World Titled events in particular the IWWF World Open Waterski Championships which includes the hosting of the IWWF Congress. The International Hall of Fame ceremonies, held at the respective IWWF World Championships of each sport discipline, also needs to be financed.
- This would result in there being more interested parties wishing to bid and host for this event so the IWWF can select event venues with the best conditions so athletes can perform to the best of their abilities.

- Most International Sports Federations practice a licencing system to finance their operations, some up to USD130.00 for a yearly Licence! The IWWF Licence, for a modest fee, will help improving the quality of our services to our Athletes and National Federations
- The IWWF Executive Board is counting on the support of all National Federations and Sports Division Councils to achieve this goal because it is in the best interest of our Athletes and Sport.

Will the IWWF Licence be mandatory for all Athletes participating in a RL or RC competition?

- **YES, it will concern ALL Athletes participating in a Ranking List competition** (and not only the Athletes who want to have their names listed on the Ranking List!). This is not a Licence for those who want to be on the Ranking List but a Licence for those who want to **PARTICIPATE** in a Ranking List competition from 2021 onwards.
- An Athlete may not be interested to be part of the World Ranking List but will appreciate participating in a Ranking List event which guarantees a high level of competition: good event venue, good skiing/riding conditions, experienced & competent technical officials (judges/drivers), first-class technical equipment (cableway, obstacles, homologated slalom course and jump ramp, video, tow boats), publicity (live streaming, public relations, social media, etc.), professional infrastructure and the motivating factor of competing together with high profile Athletes. **It would be only fair that ALL Athletes participating in the same quality competition pay for a Licence.**

IWWF Executive Board
December 2, 2020

* IWW Licence required for competitions based on Homologation Codes: **Barefoot/Waterski**: Record Capability, Ranking List. **Cableski**: Record Capability, Normal. **Wakeboard Boat/Wakeboard Cable**: 3 to 6 Stars

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PAN AM REPORT

To: AWSA Board and Regional Councils

From: Dana M. Garcia

Date: December 19, 2020

RE: Reporting on Pan Am and IWWF Issues

I. Introduction

First, thank you for your votes of confidence at the Summer Meeting. I realize many of you were hesitant to change our representation on the international stage, and I understand the skepticism. As I promised at the summer meeting, I plan to coordinate and work closely with our Board and Regions to the best of my ability. This effort started with my participating in the Rules Committee Virtual Meeting on November 7th 2020 (with the committee's permission). I plan to attend our Southern Regional Meeting, and look forward to receiving an invite to the AWSA Winter Meeting.

I was formally seated as your Pan Am Representative at the Pan Am Tournament Council Meeting on November 5th 2020, it was during this meeting that I was elected as one of three persons from the Pan Am TC selected to represent the Pan Am Region on the IWWF Tournament Council (IWWF TC). Thus far I have attended three IWWF TC meetings, the Pan Am Congress Meeting on November 19, 2020, and a zoom meeting with Peter Frei to discuss and familiarize myself with the new *Event Management System (EMS)*. In October, Bob Corson asked me to sit on the Pan Am Scorers Committee, along with Diego Restrepo (Chair) (COL), and Michelle Grant (CAN). Further details on these meetings and the committee is outlined below.

II. PanAm Tournament Council Meeting – November 5, 2020

- A. The Pan American Waterski Council meeting minutes are attached please see the Supplemental Material at the end of my report.
- B. Highlights
 - 1. Pan Am is initiating a new test and re-test for Pan Am Judges.
 - 2. Pan Am is initiating a new position of Pan Am Scorer. A committee has been started to handle the testing and protocols for advancement.
 - 3. A new Chairman was elected- Robert Ritter from Chile
 - 4. The three Pan Am representatives appointed to the IWWF TC are:
 - a) Robert Ritter CHI
 - b) Larry Gisler BRA
 - c) Dana Garcia USA
 - d) JoAnne Moore CAN Alternate
 - 5. Bob Corson was asked to stay on as the Chair of the Technical Committee for the Pan Am Region.

III. Pan American Confederation Congress Meeting – November 19th, 2020

- A. The Pan American Confederation meeting minutes are attached please see the Supplemental Material at the end of my report.
- B. This was Jeffry Armstrong's final meeting as President of the Confederation, and everyone expressed their appreciation for her years of work and dedication to the sport. I am sure Jeffry will continue to provide much needed guidance to the Pan Am Region into the future.
- C. Highlights
 - 1. Election of Officers
 - a) President- Isa Mancheno COL
 - b) Secretary General- Karen McClintock CAN
 - c) Vice President- Javier Julio ARG
 - 2. Discussion focused on Multi-Sport Games such as the Pan Am Games and the introduction of the Panamanian Federation.
 - 3. We discussed the need to bring in additional countries to the Pan Am Region which will bolster the Region as a whole.

4. The Mexican bid for the Pan Am Championships was discussed. During the discussion; Colombia expressed an interest in hosting the Championships as well. It was agreed to give Colombia and Mexico an additional week to present bids to the board. After a few weeks of further deliberation the event was awarded to Mexico. Specifically Boca Laguna, Chapala, Mexico. The tournament is expected to be held in Oct/Nov 2021.

IV. IWWF Tournament Council Meetings

A. The Meetings were held over Three Days: November 27th 2020, December 3rd 2020, and December 19th 2020. I do not have the final draft minutes to attach to my report. Please email me with a request (danagarciawaterski@gmail.com) and I will forward the draft minutes when they are printed.

B. Tournament 21S034R

1. Two potential World Records were set at this event, however the driving was deemed out of tolerance and the records rejected.

2. The decision was made to review, by committee, the entire tournament. Donal Connolly and Bob Corson were asked to make the reviews and provide a report.

3. All 11.25 m passes and shorter were reviewed. Of 22 scores reviewed, 18 were reduced. The final decision was to downgrade all slalom scores which did not meet the specified tolerances and conform to rules (1.09) (8.01) and (8.15).

4. The TC has expressed hope that the implementation of the RTK technology will help minimize future issues.

C. New End Course Rule presented by Donal Connolly and Will Bush

1. The New Rule was Finalized during our 2nd meeting and unanimously approved. The Revised Rule 8.15: Boat Path has been expanded upon to include; Boat Path Measurement Systems which may be RTK-GPS or Video Based, reride situations, and tolerances. Please see the full rule at within the Supplemental Material at the end of my report.

2. The Rule is effective 60 days from publishing of the meeting minutes.

3. The Pan Am region requested a one year reprieve for the requirement at L & R Events. The request was accepted, and the rule currently allows for use as "official" or "informational" use.

D. World Championships 2021 at Jack Travers Waterski School, Groveland Florida, from October 11- 17, 2021.

1. The tournament will be organized by the IWWF in coordination with the Greater Orlando Sports Commission (GO Sports).

2. The GO has requested a larger entry pool of contestants to 200 skiers. The World Event typically has from 120 to 140 skiers/entries.

3. The WSC is to come up with a scheme to increase the number of entries. A final plan has not yet been determined, however the discussion includes increasing the size of teams, wildcards, expanding the qualifications based on the ranking list for individual entries, and incentivizing “low turnout” countries to send more skiers. The general consensus is against increasing the team sizes, while utilizing a mix of all other suggestions.
4. The increased number of skiers should not increase the number of days the event is held, as IWWF expects to run events on two lakes.
- E. Skier of the Decade & Skier of the Past 25 Years
 1. Next Year will be the 75th Anniversary of IWWF
 2. The plan is to hold a special presentation at the World’s Banquet to recognize the Female & Male Skiers of the Decade and Past 25 Years.
 3. Ryan Dodd and Larry Gisler are preparing a proposal on the selection criteria
 4. We also discussed the IWWF Hall of Fame Dinner. It was agreed that this event must not be held during the World’s Banquet.
- F. Overall World Record Formula
 1. Discussion was directed around the OA World Records and the Slalom points attributed to the record.
 2. The formula consists of base scores from 1999 World Records, and various manipulations of slalom buoy counts.
 3. The suggestion was to adjust the base scores to current world records and not manipulate the slalom buoy count further.
 4. The final decision was to revise the OA World Record Formula utilizing the current World Records. This will be effective for the new year. The current World Records will be recalculated with the new base scores and any new potential records will be matched up against the prior record with the new formula.
 5. OA World Records will be recalculated at the end of each year with new base numbers, if a new single event record is set (slalom, trick, jump).
 6. This formula also affects the Overall Ranking List, so it will be important to revise concurrently.
- G. End Course Video Quality
 1. Felix Loreto was commenting on the quality of end course videos submitted for review.
 2. The IWWF, Pan Am, and US Technical Committees are working on new parameters which will be printed in the Homologation Guidelines.
 3. The Dossier will also include new requirements.
- H. Over 35 World Championships- Minimum Number of Entrants to Open a Category.

1. Current rules require a minimum of 5 competitors to hold the 70+, 75+, 80+ and 85+ divisions.
 2. Rule Change: No minimum number of competitors will be required to open an age division, however there will be a minimum of 3 competitors for a title to be awarded.
- I. Ranking Scores with the new “Over” Divisions: 35+, 45+, and so on
1. Current rules allow a 45+ Skier to Ski in 35+ and 45+
 2. There was no rule as to how we would handle a 45+ Skier with a score in the 35+ Division. For example Women 45+ max speed is 52k while Women 35+ is 55k. Would the scores carry across age division rankings (much like an U21 Ranking Score is also displayed on the Open Ranking).
 3. Decision: A skier who ski’s in a “faster” than their “real” age division in slalom will also receive the same score in their age division. For example: Men Over 45 Skier- Recieves a score of 1@11.25/58k while skiing in Open, will also receive a score of 1@11.25/55k.
 4. The Top Elite Skiers who are over 35 will be asked to Opt Out of the Age Division Ranking List, so as not to push the scores down.
 5. New Wording Rule Book Wording: *If a skier competes in a different age division, a Slalom score at 58, 55, 52 or 49 will be equal to a score at any slower speed of 55, 52, 49 or 46. A Tricks score will be accepted as it is. A Jump score will be accepted as it is regardless of speed/ramp height, except that, a Jump performance done in an age division different from the Natural Age Division, will only be used in the Under 21 or Open Division Ranking List, regardless of the skier age, requested speed and ramp height.*
- J. Under 17 and Under 21 World Records
1. Recently the rule changed allowing these records to be set at any Record Capability Tournament. Prior to the change, all records had to be set at the Worlds.
 2. This has created a large burden on U.S. ski sites and U.S. tech controllers.
 3. The discussion centered on the fact that several records have already been set, and it would be very hard to unravel those records.
 4. The council agreed to leave the rule unchanged, however discussion did include declining the expansion of this rule to the Over 35 Age Divisions.
- K. Age Division Uniformity Request amongst all countries
1. A request has been made to try and have better uniformity with the age divisions through the different confederations
 2. The TC had a discussion of conforming all the countries “age divisions” into the same ages and naming the groups similarly.
 3. The TC asked if the US would please consider re-naming our age divisions to match the IWWF age divisions.

- L. Ranking List to be used to determine the skiers for the “2020” Under 17 Worlds Held in August 2021
 - 1. The May 2021 List will be a hybrid of 2020 and 2021.
 - 2. Skiers qualified last year will still be qualified to ski, in addition skiers who qualify this year will also be allowed to ski.
 - 3. The skiers who qualified last year will have their position “protected” and any newer skiers also have the opportunity to qualify based on 2021 list ranking. This leads to a potential of having more than one skier qualified for any one spot.
 - 4. A Skier who has technically aged out of the division may win an event, however will not be allowed to set a divisional record.
 - 5. Qualifications
 - a) *The Weekly Ranking List 60 days before the Event*
 - b) *The final May 2021 Ranking List (which is a hybrid of 2020/2021)*
- M. Ranking List to be used to determine the skiers for the “2020” Over 35 Worlds Held in September 2021 (France).
 - 1. The May 2021 List will be a hybrid of 2020 and 2021.
 - 2. Skiers qualified last year will still be qualified to ski, in addition skiers who qualify this year will also be allowed to ski.
 - 3. The skiers who qualified last year will have their position “protected” and the any newer skiers also have the opportunity to qualify based on 2021 list ranking. This leads to a potential of having more than one skier qualified for any one spot.
 - 4. Per the new rules an Over 45 Skier may ski in the Over 35 or the Over 45 division, however they may not ski in both divisions
 - 5. When a skier/skiers are in the top of two or more ranking lists, the number of eligible skiers from the list will increase by “n”. For example: a 45+ Skier is in the top positions (top 15 for current year) of the 35+ and 45+ List, the 35+ list will increase by +1 eligible skiers (15+1).
 - 6. Over 45 Women Top Speed has been changed to 52k/32mph (formerly 55k/34mph)
- N. Ranking List Which will be used to determine the skiers for the 2021 Elite Worlds Held in October 2021
 - 1. For qualification purposes the following apply for Individual Skiers:
 - a) *the Weekly List 60 days before the Championships*
 - b) *The Final May 2021 Ranking List (which is a combination of the May 2020 and May 2021 lists)*
 - c) *This means there may be multiple entries for any particular position on the May 2021 list.*

- d) *It also means the Top 12 Skiers may be numerically more than 12.*
- e) *The skiers on the 2020 list will have their positions protected, and will remain on the list in the same position in 2021*
- f) *Elite List- 30 Days Before and 1 year and 30 days before (same rule)*
- g) *Wild Cards – Each Federation Shall be given 2 Wild Cards which must be used for National Skiers, has no requirement for gender, and may be used for 1, 2, or 3 events.*
- h) *Top Three places in slalom, trick, jump, and overall from the previously held U21 World Championships.*
- 2. The additional requirements of adding total skiers has not yet been addressed
 - a) *Additional Wild Cards*
 - b) *Deeper down “the List” for independents*
 - c) *increased team size- not likely*
- O. Clarification on Rule 5.09:e). Light Lines
 - 1. Correction: Up through to the Under 14 division, light weight ropes (with or without shortening) may be used. Those ropes must meet the specification in rule (5.09a)
 - 2. Breaking load, minimum = 499kg
- P. Clarification on World Ranking List Rule 24
 - 1. Requested by US
 - 2. Decision- Language Clarified. Any 4 rounds can be used for Ranking List or Record Scores, but those rounds must be declared and posted in advance on the homologation dossier.
- Q. Rule 12 We added language to cover weather holds.
- R. Rule 8.09: Scoring Buoys. This rule is being re-worked for clarity
- S. Reclassifying Ranking List.
 - 1. This is proposal to by a group of Pro Skiers
 - 2. It is a re-working of the Elite Point System to have the feel and clout of a Tour or Cup.
 - 3. If anyone would like further details, especially those planning Elite events- please reach out to me directly.
- T. Reinstate Chief Driver – Proposed by Pan Am
 - 1. The TC accepted the concept of re-instating the position of Chief Boat Driver.
 - 2. However several members preferred a different title such as Head Boat Driver or Lead Boat Driver.

3. The Rule will also include language which clearly gives the power to assign event drivers to the Chief Judge.

4. The rule is currently being “re-worked” and will be submitted before the final rule book is complete.

V. IWWF Event Management System (EMS) Meeting with Peter Frei, Zoom Call Nov 7th 2020

A. Please see the additional information on EMS in the Supplemental Material at the end of my report.

B. I believe Robert Howerton will have a more thorough explanation of the new system, as he has volunteered to run point for the U.S. as our Federation Administrator

C. My Take Away From my meeting with Peter

1. It is not currently mandatory for the U.S. to use the system.

2. It is mandatory for all other federations effective in the New Year.

3. Licensing is \$25 per athlete per year or \$7 per event.

4. U.S. Athletes will need a license if they wish to have their scores uploaded to the IWWF Ranking List- I believe this will be instituted next year.

5. The EMS is a complete package which includes but is not limited to; sanctioning events, scoring management, tournament result reporting, ranking list management, and official's tracking.

6. Part of the EMS System is creating Tournaments/Sanctions – we are not part of this process, and there are no plans for us to be. This part is controlled by the Discipline Admin- which will be a slim role- as we do not sanction our events thru EMS.

7. Part of the EMS tracks athletes, officials and their ratings, ranking lists, upcoming calendar of events, scorebook submission, homol dossiers, email contact lists for organizers, and much more- this is more under the purview of the US Federation Administrator. This is where we really need someone who understands and is willing to work with Peter Frei and the others. It is not hard, but could be labor intensive.

8. Cool point- My Official Logon lists my current Ratings. We have been discussing how to differentiate who has the PanAm Rating and who does not. This system covers that. My Scoring Rating is Level 1 aka Pan Am. My Judges rating is Level 2 aka Senior USA!

9. This system will fund the World Events, including hosting the Congress, instead of requiring a sanction fee from the organizer, with the burden now on IWWF. The 2021 Worlds at Jacks- will be funded by this system and supplemented with sponsors.

10. Finally, of course the IWWF would like us to convert
 - a) *EMS is offering to include functionality we would require, such as age divisions and Sanction Fee Collection*
 - b) *Collecting Data the US wants*
 - c) *They want to work with the US*
 - d) *They understand only a small part of the US skiing population really cares about how we coordinate internationally.*

VI. Pan Am Scoring Committee

- A. Committee Chair- Diego Restrepo (COL), Michelle Grant (CAN), Dana Garcia (USA)
- B. We have been tasked with developing a test and parameters to allow advancement of scorers in the Pan Am Region.
- C. We are also looking at a small group of current Senior Scorers who would be automatically advanced to Pan Am.
- D. Pan Am Scorers must have experience with international events, and familiarity with the EAME scoring program or a willingness to learn the program before attending an event.
- E. Pan Am level will be required for World Title and Elite Events, not for Ranking or Record Events.
- F. If you have a recommendation for this position- please email me directly.

VII. Pan Am Judges- U.S. Judging Requirements to Test Up from Senior to Pan Am

- A. The Pan Am Council has asked if we (the US) would modify our requirements to test from Senior to Pan Am.
- B. It is felt our current 5 year requirement is too strict.

VIII. Supplemental Materials

Pan American Waterski Council Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2020

Attendees:

Bob Corson USA Chairman
Peter Person CAN
Larry Gisler BRA
Sergio Font MEX
Felix Loreto PER
Robert Ritter CHI
Santiago Correa COL
Georgi Renosto ARG
Dana Garcia USA – incoming representative
JoAnne Moore CAN – incoming representative
Jeffry Armstrong USA Pan Am President
Will Bush USA – Chairman, Pan Am Drivers Committee
Diego Restrepo COL – Chairman, Pan Am Scorers Committee
Russ Dickson CAN Pan Am Drivers committee member

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm EST

1. Confirmation of Ballots

Two issues from the discussion log #23 – Sure Path Rules and #16 Pan Am Drivers List initially received only Yes votes, but not a majority of the Council. The council reconsidered and voted approval for these issues by a 7-0 majority.

2. EMS Volunteer

IWWF requested a volunteer to be the Pan Am interface. Larry Gisler who is already has world responsibility said he would help. Robert Howerton from the US will be the USA interface and help with Pan Am as well. Note that USA and Canada are not participating in EMS use but USA and Canada skiers that ski internationally must be registered in the EMS system.

3. IHOF Selectors

Pan Am has been asked to name selectors for the Hall of Fame which has been redefined. The names nominated were Steve Bush CAN, Jim Jaquess USA, Tony Baggiano USA. The council decided that we wanted to consider a possible member from the Latin American community. No decision was taken at this point waiting for additional nominations. For information the newly defined IHOF is described on iwwf.sport at the following link:

<https://iwwf.sport/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/IHOF-Presentation-Rules-final-5.pdf>

This document would seem to indicate that there will be 1-2 selectors from the Pan Am region Waterski division. In the 2019 version of the HOF, selectors from Pan Am were Arturo Torres MEX, Richard Gray CAN, Dusty Shultz USA and Tony Baggiano USA with Arturo and Tony being from waterskiing.

4. Level of Pan Am Judges

A discussion was held about the requirements for Pan Am judges. It was determined that for a Pan Am judge to be appointed to the Worlds it was important that they be fluent enough in English to communicate effectively. This was set as a recommendation and will become a requirement in 2024.

5. Pan Am Judges test

Larry Gisler feels that there should be a new test as the current retest is working but must be kept up to date. It was decided that the best approach would be a working committee. The initial volunteers for this committee were Larry Gisler, Peter Person and JoAnne Moore. Going forward the committee will have more members and a mission statement will be created.

6. Driver Committee Report

Will Bush sent in a written report and a rules recommendation referring to the use of the new RTK GPS systems. It was discussed that bad driving continues to be a problem. Action was taken by this council on bad driving earlier this year. A recent tournament (21S034R) is currently under investigation by AWSA. Three potential World records were set at this tournament but the slalom driving was shown to be grossly out of tolerance in each case in that it deliberately favored the skier to enhance the performance. This issue continues despite efforts to correct it. It is hoped that the introduction of the RTK technology and realistic corrective measures and discipline will address the issue.

7. Scorers Committee

Diego Restrepo was introduced as the recently appointed Chairman of the Pan Am scores committee and made a few remarks about the initiation and start of progress of his committee,

8. Divisional Records

A discussion about the additional work caused by the introduction of U17 and U21 records was held. The council agreed that the Pan Am position is that records for the 35+ etc. divisions should remain as they are in that they can only be set at World Championships and not at individual R tournaments.

9. Zero Based Scoring

Zero Based Scoring is recommended by the USA. Chairman Corson noted that zero based scoring had been used for one ranking list for women 45+ but that the World Council decided to go back to 52kph maximum speed. There was some concern about increasing past maximum speed for additional points. USA will refine its proposal and re-introduce it.

10. Ranking List Clarity regarding tournament qualifications

Although the World Council has taken a position and defined the qualification system to account for the problems encountered with the global pandemic, it is still not clear to skiers who have questions. The Pan Am council is requesting that the World Council list each World Championship and the specific lists or modified lists that apply to each event to provide clarity.

11. Election of a Chairman

Robert Ritter CHI was elected as the new Pan Am Waterski Council Chairman

12. The Pan Am Representatives to the IWWF Waterski Council were appointed as follows:

Robert Ritter CHI

Larry Gisler BRA

Dana Garcia USA

JoAnne Moore CAN Alternate

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Corson



Minutes Of the

Pan American Confederation of the

International Waterski and Wakeboard Federation

November 19, 2020 Zoom Meeting 4:00pm CST

Attendance:

Present:

- Jeffry Armstrong USA, President
- Karen McClintock, Canada, Secretary General
- Maria Isa Mancheno, Colombia, Vice President
- Peter Person, Canada, Treasurer

Voting Delegates:

- Cathy Williams USA
- Russ Dickson, Canada
- Juan Carlos Osorio, Colombia
- Walter Ditsch, Argentina
- Daniel Garcia, Brazil
- Larry Gisler, Brazil
- Reuban Rosenberg, Chile
- Rodrigo Miranda, Chile
- Carlos LaMadrid, Mexico
- Sergio Font, Mexico
- Raoul Podas, Paraguay
- Felix Loreto, Peru
- Monica Bedoya, Peru

Non-Voting Delegates/Observers:

- Dana Garcia, USA
- Javier Julio, Argentina
- JoAnne Moore, Canada
- Jasmine Northcott, Canada
- Santiago Correa, Colombia
- Jose Antonio Perez Priego, Mexico, President IWWF
- Paul Fong, Executive Director, IWWF
- Peter Frei, Switzerland, Treasurer IWWF and Presenter - EMS
- Bob Corson, USA
- Max Kretzschmann, Panama
- Mario Pigozzi, Dominican Republic

Absent:

- Daniel Garcia, Brazil
- Rodrigo Miranda, Chile
- Sergio Font, Mexico

Meeting was called to order by Jeffry Armstrong at 4:03pm CST

Jeffry called the meeting to order and introduced a few observers and invited guests. Jeffry also requested that the Congress observe a moment of silence while she read a prayer for those who have passed away over the previous 2 years (Ralph Armstrong, USA, Dave Goode, USA, Kreg Llewellyn, Canada, Mark Stevens, Canada).

1. Attendance Records - Secretary General

The countries in attendance were:

Dominican Republic, Mexico, Chile, Brazil, Argentina, United States, Paraguay, Canada, Panama and Colombia, as well as the IWWF, as stated above.

2) Allocation of votes by country - Secretary General

The Secretary General reminded the attendees that the number of votes assigned to each country depends on certain activities that the countries perform within the Regional, Con-

tinental and World stages of Waterski, up to a maximum of 4 votes per country. Because of Covid, some of the points were pulled in from a previous year if necessary.

She also clarified to the attendees that in order to exercise their right to vote, the countries must be up to date on their financial and statutory obligations. Those countries with votes are paid up to date.

Therefore, the allocation of votes was determined in the following way:

- Argentina 4
- Brazil 4
- Canada 4
- Chile 4
- Colombia 4
- Dominican Republic 0
- Mexico 4
- Paraguay 2
- Peru 4
- USA 4
- Panama 0

3) Approval of the Agenda

Jeffrey asked that item 12 - EMS Event Management System Update, be moved up in the agenda, following item 9 - Multi Sport Games Report.

Larry Gisler proposed a motion to approve.

Cathy Williams seconded the motion by unanimity.

4) Approval of the Minutes of the Congress held in Chile 2018

Jeffrey explained that in 2018, there was a Task Force struck to review the “Dues” structure. The Executive Committee decided not to increase the dues at this time due to Covid, leaving many countries struggling to pay dues with no tournaments to draw from. This item will not be forgotten but rather tabled to a later date with the new Executive Committee.

Karen McClintock stated that in order to improve the swiftness of the meeting, these minutes were sent by email to all those present on January 19, 2020 and again, September

20, 2020 , and therefore refrained from reading them, asking instead whether the attendees had any comments about them. There were no comments.

Russ Dickson presented a motion to approve the minute; the motion was seconded by Felix Loreto and approved by unanimity.

5) Report from the President

Jeffrey Armstrong gave a verbal President's Report. She spoke about her many years of enjoyment in all capacities of the Confederation and Federation, working with PASO and focussing for the past 2 years on bringing in new member countries.

All reports will be attached to this document for reference.

6) Report from the Secretary General

Karen McClintock, in her role as Secretary General, reported her activities on behalf of the Pan American Confederation from the end of 2018 - present.

7) Reports from the Councils

All received reports are attached to this document for reference.

- **Water Ski Council**
- **Cable Wakeboard Council**
- **Boat Wakeboard Council**

Cathy Williams proposed a motion to approve all reports submitted, which was seconded by Larry Gisler and approved by unanimity.

8) Financial Report

Peter Person shared the financial report, attached, as well as the draft budget for the upcoming year.

He explained to the Congress that there were primarily 2 sources of fees to the Federation - Subscription Fees (approx. 13 - 15k per year) and Sanction Fees (approx. 4 - 5k per year). These sanction fees are for major events, of which there were none held in 2020 due to Covid-19.

There is currently 96k US on hand. Projected revenues for 2020 - 21 is 14k for Subscription Fees and 7k for Sanction Fees.

In the past, the Federation has received “development fees” from other sources, however, there have been none received lately.

Councils have been allotted an amount in the upcoming budget.

Russ Dickson presented a motion to approve the financial report and proposed budget; the motion was seconded by **Felix Loreto** and approved by unanimity.

Both the financial report and proposed budget are attached to this document.

9) Muti Sport Games - Vice President

Isa Mancheno spoke briefly about her report on Multi Sport Games. She stated that work is currently being done on the Pan Am Technical Manual (specific for each discipline) including protocol in which Isa has been working on with Paul Fong. It is imperative to think forward and that, specially with wakeboard, must learn from Peru. It is essential that the Pan Am Delegate must work with all disciplines to ensure that the needs and considerations for both are being met in a timely manner.

Both the Water Ski Council and Wakeboard Council must be involved to avoid any potential issues on site at the Games. Councils must develop the specific discipline rules for these Games. As Larry Gisler mentioned, this ensures that the location as well as the conditions are given consideration, including the opportunity for live streaming. It is essential that we maintain high visibility wherever possible.

Walter also added that it is important that both disciplines and all athletes are ensured equal conditions.

It is essential that the Technical Delegate treats both disciplines - needs and considerations equally.

Isa previously spoke to the Director of the upcoming Games in Cali, Colombia. We were initially included in those games but the organizers were forced to cut 10 - 12 sports and unfortunately, we were taken out of the roster.

Again, with regards to the Junior Pan Am Games, if we want to have a chance to get into 2nd Games, we must work to have more countries join the Federation.

Report is attached to this document.

10) Report on New Federations - Vice President

Isa welcomed Max Kretzschmann from Panama, one of the Regions newest members. Isa and Jose Antonio Perez Priego met with the Panamanian NOC prior to the shut down of the borders due to Covid-19. They were able to discuss the ability to develop sites and infrastructure for Waterski, Wakeboard, Cable Wakeboard and Cable Waterski.

Isa has also been working closely with Raul Cudas from Paraguay trying to get more involvement in waterski, trying to get government access to support.

Also, Guatemala and Uruguay are also working on building their organization to join the Federation.

Jeffrey spoke about the numerous communications that the Executive Board has with Bahamas, prior to the hurricane in the early spring.

All of the countries show great promise to become the latest countries to join the IWWF Pan Am Federation.

11) Report from the Executive Board of IWWF - President of IWWF

Jose Antonio Perez Priego confirmed that the 2021 IWWF World Water Ski Championships will be held in Orlando, Florida at Jack Traver's site October 16 - 21, 2021. The IWWF is extremely excited to work with the Travers family.

2021 is also the 75th Anniversary of the IWWF which will be celebrated throughout the year at the different upcoming international events including:

U21 and U17 World Waterski Championships - July 2021 at Cory Pickos in Florida

World Boat Wakeboard Championships - July 2021 in Italy

World Cable Wakeboard Championships - November 2021

Jose Antonio explained to the Congress that at the 2019 IWWF Congress, a licence fee was approved for all athletes competing in any world ranking list tournament. This will roll out in January 2021 and is independent of the EMS.

The intention of this is to finance future events and lower cost of the organizing committees. It is the hope that this will increase the number of bids for different events and expand site possibilities.

This has been observed as best practices with many other sport federations.

Presentation is attached to these minutes.

12) EMS Event Management System Update - Peter Frei

- Status implementation in the PANAM countries - Peter Frei
- IWWF Licence and new IWWF Financing concept (by Jose Antonio Perez Priego)

Presentation is attached to these minutes.

13. Report on new Hall of Fame of IWWF selection criteria - Jose Antonio Perez Priego IWWF - Hall of Fame

Jose Antonio spoke about the many changes that have occurred over the past year with regards to the IWWF HOF. Des Burke Kennedy has now retired and Jeff Blaauw has now taken over as Chair.

Presentation is attached to these minutes.

14. Requests for Bids to Organize the 2020 Pan Am Championships from any Sport Discipline

A. Mexican Bid for Waterski, 2020 Pan American Championships held in 2021.

Carlos Lamadrid told the Congress that he would alter his bid to include the lowering of fees with regards to familiarization and entry fees and that he would include lunches for the athletes at the site.

Juan Carlos Osorio let the Congress know that Colombia intends to bid for the 2020 Pan American Waterski Championships.

It was decided by the Congress that both bids should be resubmitted and submitted, the locations should be reviewed by the Chair of the Water Ski Council, and the voted on by the Presidents at a later date.

B. 2020 Pan American Cable Wakeboard Championships -

There has been an LAO received for the 2020 Pan Am Cable Wakeboard Championships that, because of Covid, will be resubmitted following additional conversations. Cathy Williams is working with Greg Norman Jr. on this. Jose Antonio will speak to Greg following the World Championships in Thailand and report back.

15. Election of Officers

- President
- Secretary General
- Vice-President
- Treasurer is appointed not elected

Jeffry explained that this point there is one candidate for each position. Unless we have nominations from the floor, we may hold elections by acclamation.

There were no other nominations from the floor.

The following positions were filled by acclamation:

President - Isa Mancheno

Secretary General - Karen McClintock

Vice President - Javier Julio

13. Any Other Business:

There was no other business brought to the floor.

Jose Antonio thanked outgoing President, Jeffry Armstrong for her years of commitment to the Pan Am Federation and IWWF. This was echoed by the entire Congress.

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

8.15: Boat Path

The Boat shall follow, as closely as possible, a straight path on the centerline of the course. This path shall be maintained from the entrance pre-gates and continue for as long as the skier is in the course.

End Course Video

End course video shall be recorded for all passes 11.25m and shorter. A rigidly mounted video camera shall be operated from a point on the centerline on at least one end of the slalom course, adjusted to show all of the boat guides in clear focus, and equipped with optical (not digital) magnification of sufficient power to display the far entrance/exit gate occupying at least 1/6th of the full width of the screen (1/3 width or larger is recommended).

The video file shall be forwarded to the Confederation Waterski Council immediately after the competition. All passes at 11.25 and shorter are subject to review by Council for compliance to rules (1.09) (8.01) and (8.15) including boat path cumulative deviation. Any passes that do not conform may result in the associated score being changed on, or removed from the IWWF standings lists.

Boat Path Measurement System

A Boat Path Measurement System, (BPMS) is required for Titled Events (World or Confederation), World Cup and Elite Events during which all passes at 14.25 and shorter must be monitored with applicable tolerances and rules applied.

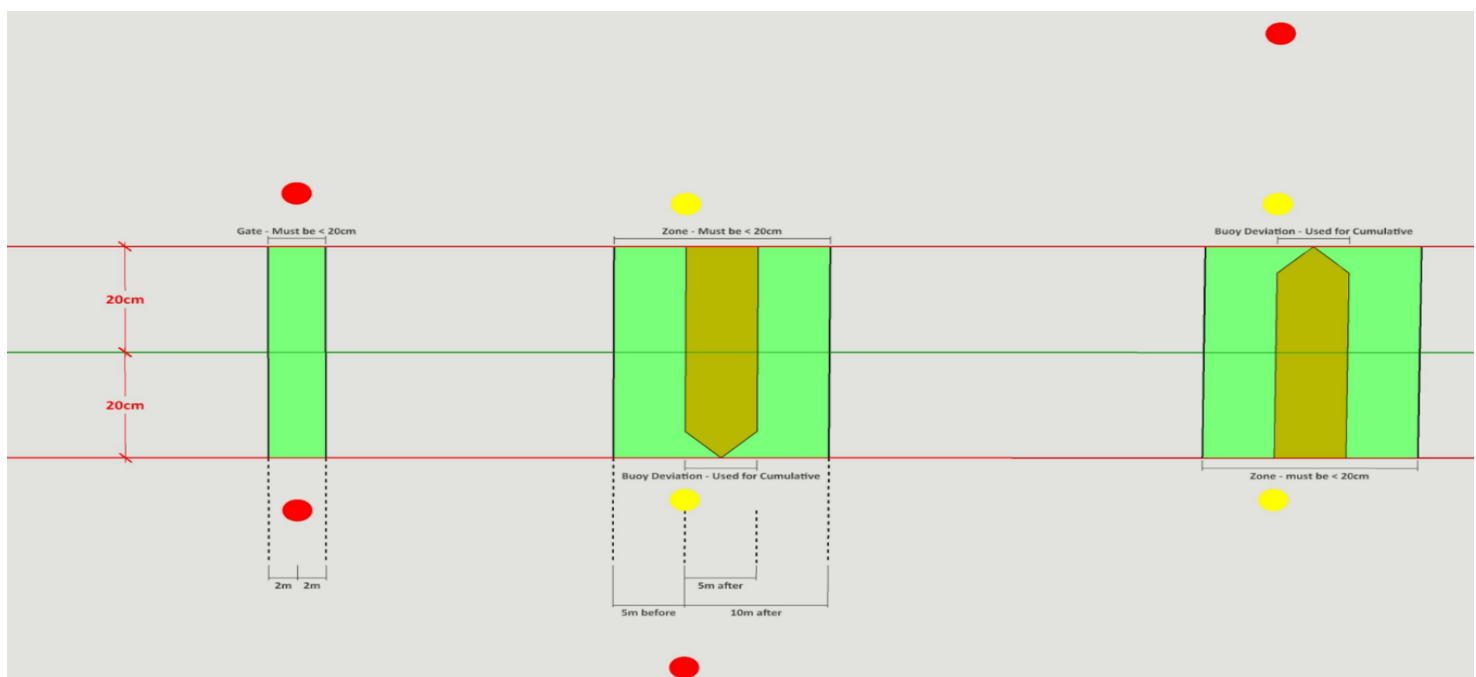
BPMS is recommended for "R" and "L" events. If used officially in "R" or "L" events, all passes at 11.25 and shorter must be monitored with applicable tolerances and rules applied. If used unofficially (information only) all rules regarding End Course Video must be followed (see BPMS not in use).

BPMS may be RTK-GPS or Video based. The use of RTK-GPS systems is strongly recommended.

Mandatory Rerides

There shall be no more than one mandatory reride for boat path deviation in a single pass. If during the mandatory reride the boat deviation would require another mandatory reride then the score given will be the maximum score in tolerance on the reride pass. No reride. In this case the Chief Judge shall warn the driver that the driving is not acceptable and the driver may be replaced.

Diagram 1 - Gate, Zone and Buoy area definitions



a) BPMS in use

The BPMS will be installed, setup and calibrated according to the homologation guidelines under the responsibility of the Homologator.

If RTK-GPS is used along with a judge's application which displays deviation in the Judge's Tower, the monitoring of end course video in the judge's tower is optional.

The Chief Judge will assign a judge or driver to monitor the BPMS and award re-rides on the following criteria:

1) Entry Gate

The Entry Gate Deviation is the maximum deviation measured when the pylon is from 2 meters before the Entry Gate to 2 meters after the Entry Gate.

If the Entry Gate Deviation is more than 20cm to the left or right of centerline a mandatory reride will be awarded. No protected score.

2) Zone

The Zone Deviation is the maximum deviation measured when the pylon is from 5 meters before the buoy to 10 meters after the buoy.

If the Zone Deviation is more than 20cm Away from the Skier an optional reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is protected.

If the Zone Deviation is more than 20cm Toward the Skier a mandatory reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is not protected. The skier may decide not to take a reride and accept the score that was achieved within tolerance.

3) Buoy

The Buoy Deviation is the maximum deviation toward the skier measured from when the pylon is at the buoy to 5 meters after the buoy. It is also used to calculate the Cumulative Deviation

If the deviation is more than 20cm Away from the Skier an optional reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is protected.

If the Deviation is more than 20cm Toward the Skier a mandatory reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is not protected. The skier may decide not to take a reride and accept the score that was achieved within tolerance.

4) Cumulative Deviation

The Cumulative Deviation is the sum of the Buoy Deviations.

The Cumulative Deviation will be considered out of tolerance if it is greater than the values in the following table:

Buoy	Cumulative Tolerance
B2	28 cm
B3	35 cm
B4	40 cm
B5	45 cm
B6	49 cm

If the Cumulative Deviation is out of tolerance **NEGATIVE** away from the skier an optional reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is protected.

If the Cumulative Deviation is out of tolerance **POSTIVE** toward the skier, a mandatory reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. No protected score. The skier may decide not to take a reride and accept the score that was achieved within the Cumulative tolerance.

5) Cumulative Applies First

The rules for Cumulative Deviation will always be applied before the rules for Zone Deviation.

6) Continuing at Risk

If the Cumulative Deviation or Zone Deviation is out of tolerance (mandatory reride) on a completed pass the skier is allowed to continue at risk to the next pass. If the next pass is not a completed pass the score awarded will be the maximum score in tolerance on the original pass.

7) GPS-RTK BPMS failure

If during a tournament event, a required RTK-GPS BPMS fails, end course video (monitored in the judges tower) may be used until such time as RTK-GPS BPMS is reestablished. The Homologator shall note in the Homologation report the event(s) when failure occurred.

b) BPMS not in use

The Chief Judge will assign a judge or driver to monitor the end-course video and award rerides. The end course Judge and the Chief Judge (or the Chief Judge's designee) must agree on the determination.

1) Entry Gate

The Entry Gate Deviation is the maximum deviation measured when the pylon is at the Entry Gate.

If the Entry Gate Deviation is more than 20cm to the left or right of centerline a mandatory reride will be awarded. No protected score.

2) Buoy

The Buoy Deviation is the maximum deviation toward the skier measured when the pylon is at the buoy.

If the deviation is more than 20cm Away from the Skier an optional reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is protected.

If the Deviation is more than 20cm Toward the Skier a mandatory reride will be awarded. The skier can improve. The score is not protected. The skier may decide not to take a reride and accept the score that was achieved within tolerance.

The position of the center and maximum deviation lines of the boat shall be indicated by placing visible marks or vertical posts on the windshield showing the 20cm deviation lines. Marks shall be placed on the windshield that are visible in the end-course video camera (visible from both directions). The marks shall be placed 20cm from the center of the windshield on both sides of the center to aid in the determination of the 20 cm deviation. If the boat path deviation is determined by placing a string or line on the end course video, the end course camera must be exactly in the center and exactly level so that the string or line is in the middle of both the entry and exit gates.

c) Approved BPMS

1) Video Systems

- i) Corson
- ii) SplashEye

2) RTK-GPS Systems

- i) Sure-Path – Provisional Approval in Europe and PanAm
- ii) SkiPath – Pending Approval

d) When a RTK-GPS system is used:

- 1) The deviation shall be recorded 10 times per second (10Hz) in the relevant measurement zone.
- 2) The maximum is calculated as being the single maximum of the deviations calculated by averaging each two consecutive readings within the measurement zone.
- 3) The deviation will be displayed rounded to the nearest centimeter.

e) When a video-based system is used:

- 1) Where practicable the deviation should be calculated at each frame within the relevant measurement zone and the single maximum recorded deviation used.
- 2) Where it is not practicable due to time constraints to measure at every frame a visual inspection process should determine the frame with maximum deviation and the maximum deviation should be measured from that frame.



EMS UPDATE PANAM CONGRESS 2020

November 12, 2020

Reminders

2020 has been dedicated to implementation and testing, the use of EMS by all National Federations will enter into application in January 2021 for the disciplines Barefoot, Cable Ski, Disabled, Wakeboard Boat, Wakesurf and Waterski.

If not already done, the PANAM Federations should create their Athletes/Officials database in EMS. So far:

- Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and USA Barefoot have already done it
- The other PANAM countries (Brazil, Dominican Republic, Paraguay, Peru, others) have not started yet their data preparation in EMS (status November 12, 2020)
- USA Waterski and Canada will be linked through their systems electronically to EMS for the payment of the IWWF Licences and Ranking List results
- For information, all other IWWF National Federations in the world are part of EMS with so far 4'000 users.

The discipline Wakeboard Cable will follow during the 1st quarter 2021 (their Athletes/Officials database will automatically be migrated from cablewakeboard.net).

Competitions must be run through EMS as from January 2021: Organisers/Federations must enter them into the EMS calendar and instruct their Athletes to register directly through the EMS system and no more as done before.

EMS functionalities

Available now

- User registration
- EMS general & competition news
- Federation Directory
- Athletes, Officials & Members profiles
- Approval processes for athletes, officials and competitions
- Competition sites information, calendar and registrations
- Registration of Athletes & Officials to competitions
- Migration of historical data
- Download of Athletes & Officials competition participants from EMS to Lion Scoring System
- Upload of start lists and final results from Lion Scoring System to EMS
- Group/Family Account Login (one Login for the whole family or for spouses)
- Data clean-up tool for merging duplicate Athletes and Officials
- EMS user mailing tool (sending emails to selected Athletes, Officials)
- Video Tutorials
- IWWF Licence as per decision IWWF Congress Malaysia 2019 (introduction January 4, 2021: for more details please refer to separate presentation by Jose Antonio Perez Priego)

Will be available in the 1st quarter of 2021

- Implementation EMS for Wakeboard Cable
- Collection of Entry Fees for Organisers
- Calculations of Ranking Lists for all disciplines
- Integrated Titled Events Entry List and Intention to Enter processes
- Additions of data fields in Athletes profile
- Seminars Management
- Various enhancements for more user's comfort, supporting Sports Councils, etc.

Foreseen for implementation in 2021

- Sanctioning module to be developed with the interested Confederations/Federations
- Possible integration of further Sport disciplines: Kneeboarding, Racing, Show Ski
- Specific requirements from Athletes

Contact and further information on EMS

If you need more information please refer to the appropriate video tutorial which you can find on the EMS Home/Calendar screen by scrolling down to the bottom and clicking the RESOURCE item or through the following website access <https://ems.iwwf.sport/Legal/Resources> .

See also our last EMS [Newsletter #6](#) for details on how to run a competition with EMS and tasks of the Scorer in EMS and the Scoring System

Last but not least, please contact Peter Frei peterfrei@iwwf.sport if you have questions or need a ZOOM demonstration on the EMS System.

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Event Management System

Newsletter #7

December 2, 2020

Dear All,

Missed the previous Newsletters? See <https://ems.iwwf.sport/Home/News>

Reminders

1. EMS is available for all kinds of competitions including national events. Federations/Organisers can choose Grassroot, Club, Regional, National competitions as well as Ranking List or Record Capability events when creating a competition in EMS.
2. From 2021 it will be effective that competitions and participants must be registered in EMS and electronically downloaded to the IWWF Scoring System. Participants will have to register to events directly in the EMS System and no more via email or registration form to the Organiser as done in the past. Scorers will not be able to register RL/RC competitions manually in the IWWF Scoring System anymore.
3. How to run a competition with EMS? Please see [Newsletter #6](#)
4. What are the tasks of the Scorer in EMS and the Scoring System? Please see [Newsletter #6](#)

New Functionalities available in EMS

1. ENTRY OPTIONS COMPETITION DETAILS

As part of EMS Version 2 we have implemented the new function of "Entry Options" which you will find on the "Competition Details" in the lower part on the right side. Subsequently the description of the new fields:

Entry Type

- "Open": Any Athlete registered in EMS can register to the competition as long as the registration period is open. "Open" is the default code proposed when registering a new competition
- "Invitational": Only the "Organiser" can register the participants (the Athletes cannot). With this option the Organizer has full control over the registrations (who he wants to accept and when)

Entry Status

- "Registration Pending": Default code when registering a new competition. It is recommended to leave the code "Pending" as long as the Entry Details of the Organizer are not finalized and published. When the code is set "Pending", participation registrations cannot be done by the Athlete, Organizer or Federation Administrator
- "Registration Open": Registration is open for participations of Entry Type "Open" (see above) by Athletes, Organizers and Federation Administrators
- "Registration Closed": Registrations no more possible

Entry Limit

- Number of participants accepted to participate (no entry means unlimited participation). When the Entry Limit is reached, EMS will set the registrations to Status "Waiting List" and the Organizer can "Accept" or "Reject" the Athlete through the appropriate buttons appearing on the Participation List

Entry Deadline

- Date deadline for registration. After this date registrations will be put on the Waiting List (see Entry Limit). Organizer may also set the "Entry Status" to "Registration Closed".

2. HOMOLOGATION PER EVENT

It is now possible to indicate the Homologation level per Event.

3. EMAIL TOOL

- Already for some time there is an Email function available under the Menu item TOOLS
- You can create an email in EMS to be sent to the recipients as per the Search Filters selected.
- The sender address of the email is an EMS system address. For replies do not use your Reply button in your email system but the email address of the person who created the email and who is mentioned in the mail.
- For data protection reasons the email addresses of the recipients are not displayed, just the names.

4. EMAILS TO PARTICIPANTS

Similar as in the Mail Tool you can send an email to all Participants of the Competition (Jury Panel, Athletes, Federation Contacts) through the Email tab on the Competition Details.

5. ADDITIONAL FORESEEN ENHANCEMENTS

See functionalities in preparation for the 1st quarter 2021 and during the year in our [Newsletter #6](#).

New IWWF Licence

Please find attached a message from the IWWF Executive Board to the Federations on this subject. Based on a decision made at the 2019 IWWF Congress in Malaysia, all athletes wishing to register for Ranking List (RL) / Record Capability (RC) competitions must hold an IWWF Licence in the future. The introduction of the IWWF Licence will begin with the Barefoot, Cableski, Wakeboard Boat, Wakeboard Cable and Waterski disciplines as of January 2021 (see * below concerned Homologation Codes). The disciplines Disabled Ski, Racing, Show Ski and Wakesurf will follow in 2022.

You will receive additional technical information on the Licence Purchasing Process mid-December with our Newsletter #8. The Licence Purchasing function will be **activated in EMS on January 4, 2021**.

If you need more information about EMS please refer to the appropriate video tutorial which you can find on the EMS Home/ Calendar screen by scrolling down to the bottom and clicking the RESOURCE item or through the following website access <https://ems.iwwf.sport/Legal/Resources> . Please contact Peter Frei peterfrei@iwwf.sport if you have questions or need a ZOOM demonstration on the EMS System.

Your EMS Project Team

* IWW Licence required for competitions based on Homologation Codes: **Barefoot/Waterski**: Record Capability, Ranking List. **Cableski**: Record Capability, Normal. **Wakeboard Boat/Wakeboard Cable**: 3 to 6 Stars

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
AWSA Board Report
January 2021

The AWSA International Activities Committee met by video meeting on November 7, 2020. Minutes of the committee meeting are attached.

Action items are:

1. Approval of the Qualifications and Procedures as attached.
2. Approval of the nominations for officials, scorers and drivers for these events.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Smith
Chair

IAC NOMINEES FOR 2021 EVENTS

U17 Worlds

CJ/ACJ: Bob Harris
J1: Jeff Smith
J2: Keith Lindemulder
D1: Scott Greenwood
D2: Matt Byrne
S1: Nikki Lee
S2: Cynthia Logan

U21 Worlds

CJ/ACJ: Nikki Lee
J1: Jeff Smith
J2: Nikki Lee
J3: Lisa Steiner
D1: Lyman Hardy
D2: Greg Chapman
S2: Tina Lindsey

Open Worlds

CJ/ACJ: Lisa Steiner
J1: Lisa Steiner
J2: Cindy Benzel
J3: Jeff Smith
D1: Les Todd
D2: Will Bush
S1: Nikki Lee
S2: Tina Lindsey

35+ Worlds

CJ/ACJ:
J1: Keith Lindemulder
J2: Kirby Whetsel
D1: Matt Byrne
D2: Brent Overmire
S1: Larry Downs
S2: Cynthia Logan

Pan American Championships

CJ/ACJ: Dan Van Dyk
J1: Jeff Smith
J2: Kerri Lee
J3: Bob Harris
D1: Greg Chapman
D2: Les Todd
S1: Nikki Lee

Can Am Challenge

J1: Bob Harris¹
J2: Keith Lindemulder
J3: Dan Van Dyk
J4: Bob Schouten
D1: Scot Ellis
D2: Lyman Hardy
S2: TG Powell
S2: Cynthia Logan

- Nominees for World Championships events are sent to the Pan Am Confederation to be considered along with all other Pan Am nominees. From that preliminary pool of nominees, the Pan Am Confederation will determine the Confederation's nominees. The Confederation's nominees are then sent to IWWF for (as to most positions) further consideration and selection. See IWWF Rule 14.

- Nominees for the Pan American Championships are sent to the Pan Am Confederation to be considered along with all other Pan Am nominees. From that preliminary pool of nominees, the Pan Am Confederation will determine the tournament officials, drivers, etc.

- Nominees for the CanAm Challenge are subject to AWSA BOD approval.

- The selection of tournament officials, drivers, etc. for the Jr. U.S. Open is made by AWSA's President (in consultation with the LOC). AWSA's President has been advised of all persons indicating an interest in working at this tournament (the IAC does not make any recommendations).

¹ The chief tournament officials for the Can Am Challenge are selected in accordance with the Can Am Fact Sheet (see USA-WSWS website)

**2020 U.S. TEAM SELECTION
and
INDEPENDENT SKIER
QUALIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES
Under 17 (Junior) World Championships
To Be Held August 22-29, 2021**

A. Team Description

A six-member team will be selected to compete at the 2020 Under 17 (Junior) World Championships. The tournament will be held August 22-29, 2021, at Pickos Ski School, Santa Rosa Beach, Florida. The team will be announced on or about **July 20, 2021**.

B. Eligibility

Eligibility for selection to the U.S. Team shall be:

1. U.S. citizen or otherwise qualified to ski as a member of the U.S. Team (see IWWF Rules of Eligibility for World and Confederation Titled Events);
2. Active member of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports in good standing, born in 2003 or later (per IWWF eligibility rules).
3. **Age qualification will be based on each athlete's "2020 Age" as defined by IWWF Rule 2.03.**

C. Notice of Interest Requirements and Procedures

To be considered for a position on this team, *or to compete as an independent athlete (see IWWF eligibility rules for independent athletes at IWWF Rule 16)*, ALL ATHLETES MUST FULLY COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING STEPS BY **JULY 1, 2021**:

1. **Notice of Interest to be selected as a member of the U.S. Team** (athletes must indicate the event(s) in which they are interested in competing) must be submitted;
2. **Notice of intent to participate as an independent athlete** must be submitted (independent athletes can only participate in the tournament through this process; independent athletes not completing this process will not be entered); **NOTE: ALTHOUGH THE IAC WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO RECONFIRM THE INTERESTED ATHLETE RESPONSES SUBMITTED DURING 2020, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL INTERESTED ATHLETES MAKE SURE THEIR NOTICE OF INTEREST SUBMISSIONS ARE CURRENT.**
3. These notice forms are online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf-dMKrwBscrXi_XtyqlA-j6BvZms0fodt3Wrf2dKulvPCoNg/viewform
4. In completing these forms, all athletes (or their parent/guardian in the case of minor athletes) must acknowledge and agree to the **USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Code of Conduct and Athlete Agreement**. Those documents are available for review online at USA-WSWS's website.
5. **Full payment of all entry and team fees must be received by the official U.S. team manager, not later than the Notice of Interest deadline.** All athletes filing a Notice of intent to participate will be advised of the entry and team fees in advance of the payment deadline. All fees are non-refundable (for any reason) except: (a) full or partial refunds will be made to athletes selected as team members in the event/to the extent that team funding is available; and (b) refunds will be made to athletes who only express interest in being selected to the team, i.e., no refund will be made to athletes submitting a Notice of Interest and also

indicating an intent to participate as an independent athlete. Forfeited fees will be used to fund team expenses, as determined by the IAC and Team Manager.

6. All completed athlete Notices of Interest will be acknowledged.
7. A list of all submitted athlete Notices of Interest (who have filed a Notice of Interest and paid all fees) will be available online beginning approximately four (4) weeks before the Notice of Interest deadline. Notices of Interest will not be considered as received unless the Notice of Interest form has been completed and payment of all fees has been received.
8. **Primary consideration will be given to those individuals who have completed this process on a timely basis, but the IAC reserves the right to consider other individuals for the team.**
9. Questions regarding this process should be addressed to IAC members Hutch Haines (HutchAaron@aol.com) or Kerri Lee (kleecki@hotmail.com).

D. Team Selection Considerations

The AWSA International Activities Committee (IAC) is tasked with the responsibility of selecting athletes to participate on the Water Ski Teams that will represent the United States in International Competitions. The committee's primary goal in this process is to select teams that will have the greatest opportunity to win each of the international competitions. In this selection process there are numerous considerations that the committee will utilize in the effort to select the best combination of athletes for each tournament, with the ultimate goal to win the team title. These elements include, but are not limited to:

1. Numerical Division of Male / Female athletes to make up the team;
2. Numerical scores from selected tournaments that precede the event and are close enough in time to the event to produce the most viable team (see Team Selection Score procedures below). These scores are compared to expected scores from other international teams to predict the anticipated scores that may be produced;
3. Each individual skier's past performance in recent premier tournaments, to include any issues that may or could possibly affect anticipated scores in the target international competition;
4. The ability of any skier to function in a team atmosphere, contribute to a team effort, and other positive or negative factors that may exist.

The IAC reserves the right to rely on all of these factors in selecting this team. In the event of unforeseen circumstances which, in the judgment of the IAC, render these considerations and procedures clearly ineffective, the IAC may (by a two-thirds vote of the full IAC committee) amend these qualifications and procedures as necessary to accomplish the goals of the AWSA International Competition Program.

E. Team Selection Procedures and Score Calculations (Team Athletes Only)

1. The team will be selected based on the above process. No team trials will be held.
2. Sex distribution for the team shall be 3/3 or 4/2.
3. Each athlete's "Team Selection Score" shall be determined. The Team Selection Score shall be the average of each skier's **two** best tournament scores in each event (the "events" being slalom, tricks, and jump) which shall be extracted from USA Water Ski & Wake Sports ranking list performances during the period beginning on January 1, 2020 and ending on July 18, 2021 (inclusive). The IAC reserves the right to give preference to scores achieved in calendar year 2021. Each round score must be from a different site. To be considered, all scores must be

reported (through each tournament's local organizing committee or scorer) to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports not later than Monday, July 19, 2021 at 11:59 PM (PDT). It is each athlete's responsibility to ensure that all eligible scores are submitted in a timely manner.

4. Team Selection Scores shall be based on the 1,000 point system where 1,000 points is the **greater of the average of the top two** Ranking Values on the most recent "officially posted as final" IWWF Rankings List and the highest score among U.S. scores posted for this selection process, excluding those who have aged out. The Team Selection Scores shall be computed in accordance with IWWF (Junior Competition) Rule 16.04. The scores resulting from these calculations (including an overall score computed based on the sum of these Team Selection Scores (from each event), in accordance with applicable IWWF Rules) shall be used in the numerical score evaluation process.
5. The top male and female skiers based on "overall score" will be selected first provided that the skier contributes to the team score in at least one event. "Overall score" is computed as the sum of the Team Selection scores from each of the three events.
6. The next skier will be the male or female skier with the next highest "overall score" provided that the skier contributes to the team score in at least one event.
7. The fourth and fifth skiers will be the male and/or female skiers with the highest "two event score" not already selected on the team, provided that the skier contributes to the team score. "Two event score" is defined as the sum of the two highest "event scores" for a skier.
8. The sixth skier will be the male or female skier with the highest "one event score" not already selected on the team, provided that the skier contributes to the team score.
9. The six skiers chosen following the above criteria will be Team 1. Then other combinations of six U.S. skiers will be identified and shall be hereafter referred to as "Team X." Each Team X shall meet the gender requirements above, and shall have at least three skiers in each event (slalom, tricks and jump). The Team Score for Team X will be calculated by summing the best three individual Team Selection Scores from each gender in each division (3 slalom, 3 tricks, and 3 jump). Consideration will be given to the number of scores per event, with the preference of at least four scores in each event (4 slalom, 4 tricks, and 4 jump). Team X having the highest Team Score will be named the U.S. Junior World Championships Team.
10. If there are no qualifying overall scores meeting some or all of the criteria (male and/or female) set forth in any of the above steps (steps (E.5-8), the IAC will consider alternative criteria and procedures as necessary to accomplish the goals of the AWSA International Competition Program.
11. The IAC reserves the right to choose another combination of athletes who create a higher team overall score than chosen using the above steps.
12. The team selected through this process will be designated as the official 2020 Under 17 World Championships Team.

F. Other Information

1. The IAC may (but may not) designate alternates to the U.S. Team. The method of selecting these alternates will be at the discretion of the IAC and will not necessarily be based on any fixed formula.

2. Partial funding may be available for team members, but all skiers are responsible for all unfunded costs.
3. Excellence in competition is the sole determining factor in making any U.S. Team. The policy of the IAC is always to send the best possible team.

**2021 U.S. TEAM SELECTION
and
INDEPENDENT SKIER
QUALIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES
Under 21 World Championships
To Be Held August 22-29, 2021**

A. Team Description

A six-member team will be selected to compete at the 2020 Under 21 World Championships. The tournament will be held August 22-29, 2021, at Pickos Ski School, Santa Rosa Beach, Florida. The team will be announced on or about **July 20, 2021**.

B. Eligibility

Eligibility for selection to the U.S. Team shall be:

1. U.S. citizen or otherwise qualified to ski as a member of the U.S. Team (see IWWF Rules of Eligibility for World and Confederation Titled Events);
2. Active member of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports in good standing, born in 2000 or later (per IWWF eligibility rules). See IWWF Rules 2.03, 17.01.

C. Notice of Interest Requirements and Procedures

To be considered for a position on this team, *or to compete as an independent athlete (see IWWF eligibility rules for independent athletes at IWWF Rule 17)*, ALL ATHLETES MUST FULLY COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING STEPS BY **JULY 1, 2021**:

1. **Notice of Interest to be selected as a member of the U.S. Team** (athletes must indicate the event(s) in which they are interested in competing) must be submitted;
2. **Notice of intent to participate as an independent athlete** must be submitted (independent athletes can only participate in the tournament through this process; independent athletes not completing this process will not be entered).
3. These notice forms are online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf-dMKrwBscrXi_XtyqlA-j6BvZms0fodt3Wrf2dKulvPCoNg/viewform
4. In completing these forms, all athletes (or their parent/guardian in the case of minor athletes) must acknowledge and agree to the **USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Code of Conduct and Athlete Agreement**. Those documents are available for review online at USA-WSWS's website.
5. **Full payment of all entry and team fees must be received by the official U.S. team manager, not later than the Notice of Interest deadline.** All athletes filing a Notice of intent to participate will be advised of the entry and team fees in advance of the payment deadline. All fees are non-refundable (for any reason) except: (a) full or partial refunds will be made to athletes selected as team members in the event/to the extent that team funding is available; and (b) refunds will be made to athletes who only express interest in being selected to the team, i.e., no refund will be made to athletes submitting a Notice of Interest and also indicating an intent to participate as an independent athlete. Forfeited fees will be used to fund team expenses, as determined by the IAC and Team Manager.
6. All completed athlete Notices of Interest will be acknowledged.

7. A list of all submitted athlete Notices of Interest (who have filed a Notice of Interest and paid all fees) will be available online beginning approximately four (4) weeks before the Notice of Interest deadline. Notices of Interest will not be considered as received unless the Notice of Interest form has been completed and payment of all fees has been received.
8. **Primary consideration will be given to those individuals who have completed this process on a timely basis, but the IAC reserves the right to consider other individuals for the team.**
9. Questions regarding this process should be addressed to IAC members Larry Downes (larrydownes@miamioh.edu) or Sam Greenwood (samjg55@gmail.com).

D. Team Selection Considerations

The AWSA International Activities Committee (IAC) is tasked with the responsibility of selecting athletes to participate on the Water Ski Teams that will represent the United States in International Competitions. The committee's primary goal in this process is to select teams that will have the greatest opportunity to win each of the international competitions. In this selection process there are numerous considerations that the committee will utilize in the effort to select the best combination of athletes for each tournament, with the ultimate goal to win the team title. These elements include, but are not limited to:

1. Numerical Division of Male / Female athletes to make up the team;
2. Numerical scores from selected tournaments that precede the event and are close enough in time to the event to produce the most viable team (see Team Selection Score procedures below). These scores are compared to expected scores from other international teams to predict the anticipated scores that may be produced;
3. Each individual skier's past performance in recent premier tournaments, to include any issues that may or could possibly affect anticipated scores in the target international competition;
4. The ability of any skier to function in a team atmosphere, contribute to a team effort, and other positive or negative factors that may exist.

The IAC reserves the right to rely on all of these factors in selecting this team. In the event of unforeseen circumstances which, in the judgment of the IAC, render these considerations and procedures clearly ineffective, the IAC may (by a two-thirds vote of the full IAC committee) amend these qualifications and procedures as necessary to accomplish the goals of the AWSA International Competition Program.

E. Team Selection Procedures and Score Calculations (Team Athletes Only)

1. The team will be selected based on the above process. No team trials will be held.
2. Sex distribution for the team shall be 3/3 or 4/2.
3. Each athlete's "Team Selection Score" shall be determined. The Team Selection Score shall be the average of each skier's **two** best tournament scores in each event (the "events" being slalom, trick, and jump) which shall be extracted from USA Water Ski & Wake Sports ranking list performances during the period beginning January 1, 2020 and ending on July 18, 2021 (inclusive). The IAC reserves the right to give preference to scores achieved in calendar year 2021. Each round score must be from a different site. To be considered, all scores must be reported (through each tournament's local organizing committee or scorer) to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports not later than Monday, July 19, 2021 at 11:59 PM (PDT). It is each athlete's responsibility to ensure that all eligible scores are submitted in a timely manner.

4. Team Selection Scores shall be based on the 1,000 point system where 1,000 points is the **greater of the average of the top two** Ranking Values on the most recent “officially posted as final” IWWF Rankings List and the highest score among U.S. scores posted for this selection process, excluding those who have aged out. The Team Selection Scores shall be computed in accordance with IWWF (U21 Competition) Rule 17.04. The scores resulting from these calculations (including an overall score computed based on the sum of these Team Selection Scores (from each event), in accordance with applicable IWWF Rules) shall be used in the numerical score evaluation process.
5. The top male and female skiers based on "overall score" will be selected first provided that the skier contributes to the team score in at least one event. "Overall score" is computed as the sum of the Team Selection scores from each of the three events.
6. The next skier will be the male or female skier with the next highest "overall score" provided that the skier contributes to the team score in at least one event.
7. The fourth and fifth skiers will be the male and/or female skiers with the highest "two event score" not already selected on the team, provided that the skier contributes to the team score. "Two event score" is defined as the sum of the two highest "event scores" for a skier.
8. The sixth skier will be the male or female skier with the highest “one event score” not already selected on the team, provided that the skier contributes to the team score.
9. The six skiers chosen following the above criteria will be Team 1. Then other combinations of six U.S. skiers will be identified and shall be hereafter referred to as “Team X.” Each Team X shall meet the gender requirements above, and shall have at least three skiers in each event (slalom, tricks and jump). The Team Score for Team X will be calculated by summing the best three individual Team Selection Scores from each gender in each division (3 slalom, 3 tricks, and 3 jump). Consideration will be given to the number of scores per event, with the preference of at least four scores in each event (4 slalom, 4 tricks, and 4 jump). Team X having the highest Team Score will be named the U.S. Junior World Championships Team.
10. If there are no qualifying overall scores meeting some or all of the criteria (male and/or female) set forth in any of the above steps (steps (E.5-8), the IAC will consider alternative criteria and procedures as necessary to accomplish the goals of the AWSA International Competition Program.
11. The IAC reserves the right to choose another combination of athletes who create a higher team overall score than chosen using the above steps.
12. The team selected through this process will be designated as the official 2021 Under 17 World Championships Team.

F. Other Information

1. The IAC may (but may not) designate alternates to the U.S. Team. The method of selecting these alternates will be at the discretion of the IAC and will not necessarily be based on any fixed formula.
2. Partial funding may be available for team members, but all skiers are responsible for all unfunded costs.

3. Excellence in competition is the sole determining factor in making any U.S. Team. The policy of the IAC is always to send the best possible team.

**2021 U.S. TEAM SELECTION
and
INDEPENDENT SKIER NOTIFICATION
QUALIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES
World Championships**

A. Team Description

A six-member team will be selected to compete at the 2021 World Championships. The tournament will be held October 11-17, 2021 at Jack Travers International Tournament Skiing in Groveland, FL., U.S.A.

B. Eligibility – Team and Independent Skier “Notification of Interest” Requirements

1. Eligibility for selection to the U.S. Team shall be:
 - a. U.S. citizen or otherwise qualified to ski as a member of the U.S. Team (see IWWF Rules of Eligibility for World and Confederation Titled Events);
 - b. Member of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports in good standing; and,
 - c. **Notification of Interest to be selected as a *member* of the U.S. Team (athletes must indicate the event(s) in which they are interested in competing), or to be entered to ski as an *independent* U.S. athlete (denote what events), must be sent by email to Larry Downes (larrydownes@miamioh.edu), Lyman Hardy (lymanland@att.net) and Doug Robbins (drobbins@teleplexinc.com) not later than Tuesday, August 31, 2021. All independent U.S. Athletes must be entered through this process. Primary consideration will be given to those individuals who have submitted timely notifications of interest, but the IAC reserves the right to consider other individuals for the team.**

C. Selection Considerations

The AWSA International Activities Committee (IAC) is tasked with the responsibility of selecting athletes to participate on the Water Ski Teams that will represent the United States in International Competitions. The committee’s primary goal in this process is to select teams that will have the greatest opportunity to win each of the international competitions. In this selection process, there are numerous considerations that the committee will utilize in the effort to select the best combination of athletes for each tournament, with the ultimate goal to win the event’s team title. These elements include, but are not limited to:

1. Numerical Division of Male / Female athletes to make up the team;
2. Numerical scores from selected tournaments that precede the target event and are close enough in time to the target competition to produce the most viable team (see Team Selection Score procedures below). These scores are compared to expected scores from other international teams to predict the anticipated scores that may be produced using the existing scores for comparison;
3. Each individual skier’s past performance in recent premier tournaments, to include any issues that may or could possibly affect anticipated scores in the target international competition;
4. The ability of any skier to function in a team atmosphere, contribute to a team effort, and other positive or negative factors that may exist.

The IAC reserves the right to rely on all of these factors in selecting this team. In the event of unforeseen circumstances which, in the judgment of the IAC, render these considerations and procedures clearly ineffective, the IAC may (by a two-thirds vote of the full IAC committee) amend these considerations and procedures as necessary to accomplish the goals of the AWSA International Competition Program.

D. Procedures and Team Selection Score Calculation

1. The team will be selected on or before Tuesday, September 14, 2021. No team trials will be held.
2. Sex distribution for the team shall be 3/3 or 4/2.
3. Each Athlete's Team Selection Score shall be determined as follows:
 - a) Each athlete's Team Selection Score shall be determined from the athlete's three best tournament scores in each event (the events being slalom, trick and jump) which shall be extracted from USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, and International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation, scores (Class L and R tournaments) for tournament performances during the period of August 9, 2020 to September 12, 2021 (inclusive). Each score must be from a different site. Scores from 2021 will be given primary consideration, although the IAC may consider 2020 scores for skiers with fewer than three 2021 scores, or for skiers with one or more 2020 scores which are higher than one or more 2021 performances. To be considered, all U.S. tournament performances must be reported to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (through the tournament organizer or scorer) not later than September 13, 2021 at 11:59 PM; proof of all international tournament performances (IWWF Class L or R) not otherwise reported to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports must be submitted by each athlete to the IAC (to the above IAC representatives) not later than September 13, 2021, at 11:59 PM. All tournament performances are subject to verification by the IAC. It is each athlete's responsibility to ensure that all eligible scores are submitted in a timely manner. No late-reported scores, or scores which cannot be verified, will be considered.
 - b) Each athlete's Team Selection Score will be determined by weighting the three tournament scores as follows:
 - i) 50% of the athlete's best score, plus
 - ii) 50% of the athlete's average score (average of the three scores).
 - c) Each athlete's Team Selection Score, as determined through this process, shall then be considered in selecting the team.
4. A foreign team pool will then be determined. **Three Foreign Teams** (those opposing teams expected to be most competitive at the World Championships) shall be the basis of the **Foreign Team pool****. If the **Base Score** (see section 7 below) in any event is likely to be established by a **Foreign Team** member who is not on one of the first three **Foreign Teams**, then these scores shall be treated as **Wild Card Scores** for the purpose of establishing the **Base Scores** in three events.
5. Combinations of six U.S. skiers will be identified (Team 1, Team 2, etc.) and shall be hereafter referred to as **Team X**. Each **Team X** shall meet the gender requirements above, and shall have at least three skiers in each event (tricks, slalom, and jump).

6. Each **Team X** (and **Foreign Team Xs**) **Team Score** shall be calculated in a simulated World Championships tournament, using the Team Selection Score for each member.

7. Scoring shall be based on the 1,000 point system outlined in IWWF Competition Rule 15. The 1000 points in each event shall be awarded to the higher of:

- a) The best **Team Selection Score** from the members of **Team X**; or,
- b) The best **Team Selection Score** from the members of the **Foreign Team** pool; or,
- c) The best **Wild Card Score**

The highest score (from 7a-c) shall form the **Base Score** for men and women in each event. Each competitor (U.S. & Foreign) will be awarded **Individual Overall Points** according to the relationship of his/her **Team Selection Score** to the **Base Score** for that event, as follows:

Men's Tricks: Calculated from IWWF Rule 15.04 of the Competition Rules

Women's Tricks: Calculated from IWWF Rule 15.04 of the Competition Rules

Men's Slalom: Calculated from IWWF Rule 15.04 of the Competition Rules

Women's Slalom: Calculated from IWWF Rule 15.04 of the Competition Rules

Men's Jump: Calculated from IWWF Rule 15.04 of the Competition Rules

Women's Jump: Calculated from IWWF Rule 15.04 of the Competition Rules

8. The **Team Score** for **Team X** and each **Foreign Team** will be calculated (as per IWWF Technical Rule 5.05) by summing the best three **Individual Overall Points** scores, from either gender, in each event (3 slalom, 3 tricks, & 3 Jump).

9. **Team X** having the highest **Team Score** with at least four team members in each event will be named the U.S Team unless:

- a) Its **Team Score** does not produce a winning team; or,
- b) The **Team Score** is not considered to produce a large enough win margin; in which case, the IAC may consider other **Team X's** with fewer than 4 scores per event, according to the following prioritized event combinations: (Slalom, Trick, Jump) (4,4,3 - 3,4,4 - 4,3,4 - 3,4,3 - 4,3,3 - 3,3,4 - 3,3,3)***.
- c) Other Selection Criteria (see above) are determined by the IAC to substantially outweigh this numerical analysis.

E. Other Information

1. All registered independent skiers for the U.S.A. will be designated by the IAC as alternates to the U.S. Team. The method of selecting these alternates will be at the discretion of the IAC and will not necessarily be based on any fixed formula.

2. Excellence in competition is the sole determining factor in making any U.S. Team. The policy of the IAC is always to send the best possible team.

**** Foreign Team Selection Score:** The current formula for calculating the Raw Score Value for foreign team members is based on the original methodology developed with the introduction of this team selection program.

The formula is: Foreign Skier Team selection Score = Top-2 Avg/2 + Median/2.

***** Risk Factor:** “Risk Factor” is a formula used to quantify the Team Selection Score that would result in a case where the fourth (4th) highest Individual Overall Points value (in each event) was substituted in place of one of the top 3 Individual Overall Points values used to calculate the original Team Selection Score.

APPENDIX III
CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS
USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31, 2021

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (USA-WSWS) is committed to providing a safe and ethical environment for all of its members, affiliated clubs, athletes, volunteers and employees (collectively “Colleagues” for purposes of this Code of Conduct and Ethics). USA-WSWS has adopted this Code of Conduct and Ethics (“Code of Conduct”) which governs all members, affiliated clubs, athletes, volunteers and employees in USA-WSWS activities.

I. PRINCIPLES OF ACCEPTABLE AND ETHICAL CONDUCT

As a part of this Code of Conduct, all Colleagues must:

1. Be knowledgeable of, and abide by USA-WSWS’s Bylaws, Policies (including USA-WSWS’s SafeSport policies), Competition Rules, and other member requirements which may be adopted from time to time.
2. Resolve all alleged ethical and conduct violations in a fair, direct and prompt manner.
3. Preserve USA-WSWS’ stewardship role for water ski and wake sports.
4. Handle and engage in all USA-WSWS activities honestly and ethically, and in accordance with this Code of Conduct of Conduct.

Additionally, all Colleagues must exercise any duties and responsibilities undertaken on behalf of USA-WSWS (such as being an official, coach, director, officer, committee representative, or as an employee) (a) in good faith, (b) with the care an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances, and (c) in a manner that the Colleague reasonably believes to be in the best interests of USA-WSWS. This Code of Conduct establishes minimum standards of acceptable conduct, and all Colleagues are expected to seek clarification or direction from the Ethics Committee Chair (who shall respond in consultation with the Ethics Committee) if they are uncertain about what is required or if they have any questions as to how this Code of Conduct may apply to their circumstances.

This Code of Conduct is intended to set forth the principles and procedures for defining, preventing, and addressing violations of USA-WSWS’ ethical and conduct standards, consistent with USA-WSWS’ Bylaws, Competition Rules, and other member requirements which may be adopted from time to time. **The standards set forth in this Code of Conduct are mandatory, and must be followed by all USA-WSWS Colleagues.** This Code of Conduct applies to all USA-WSWS Members and all other Colleagues. **USA-WSWS national team athletes will also be required to sign a team Code of Conduct and U.S. Team Agreement, which will apply in addition to this Code of Conduct (and which extend from this Code of Conduct to the extent that any higher or stricter standard applies under the team Code of Conduct or U.S. Team Agreement).** USA-WSWS employees may also be subject to additional requirements as set forth in USA-WSWS’ employee policies.

II. SCOPE OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT

The standards set forth in the Code of Conduct are mandatory; they must be followed by all Colleagues.

III. LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

USA-WSWS Colleagues holding positions of leadership must exercise their responsibility in a manner that ensures that Colleagues have sufficient information to comply with applicable laws, regulations, and policies, provides the resources required to resolve ethical concerns, creates a culture that promotes the highest standards of ethics and conduct, and never sacrifices ethical and compliant behavior in the pursuit of other organization objectives.

In exercising any duties and responsibilities undertaken on behalf of USA-WSWS, officers, directors, committee persons and employees of USA-WSWS are subject to the laws of the State of Florida relating to the exercise of those duties in good faith, with ordinary and prudent care, and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the best interests of USA-WSWS. No such person shall be personally responsible to USA-WSWS for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty to USA-WSWS unless any such damages result from (a) a breach of loyalty, (b) acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, or (c) transactions from which the director, officer, or committee member directly or indirectly derives an improper personal benefit.

IV. OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

USA-WSWS recognizes that open and honest communication is essential to achieving the productive and transparent environment necessary to protect the integrity of sport. All USA-WSWS Colleagues are encouraged to create an environment and culture in which asking questions and challenging the status quo is encouraged and rewarded.

V. LEGAL AND REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

USA-WSWS requires all Colleagues to abide by all applicable United States federal, state, and local laws, including the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act, and foreign laws, as applicable. The Code of Conduct operates in tandem with the policies and procedures of USA-WSWS, USA-WSWS's staff, and with all applicable U.S. and foreign laws and regulations. Where more than one set of laws, regulations, local customs, or norms exist, USA-WSWS Colleagues shall use the highest standard of behavior or the most restrictive requirement that applies.

All questions regarding conflicts of law, such as a conflict between any United States and foreign law, or regarding the legality of any action should be directed immediately to the USA-WSWS Executive Director and President for information and guidance.

VII. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

USA-WSWS has instituted a strict policy regarding conflicts of interest. All USA-WSWS Colleagues must refrain from any activity or investment that creates, or that might appear to create, a Conflict of Interest. This policy requires all Conflicts of Interest, either actual or perceived, to be immediately reported following the procedures detailed below. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace all applicable state and federal laws governing conflicts of interest in nonprofit or charitable organizations.

Specifically, all Colleagues must be free from any influence which might interfere with the proper and efficient discharge of their duties, or which might be inconsistent with their loyalty to USA-WSWS. It is also the duty of USA-WSWS employees and volunteers not to use their position with USA-WSWS for personal advantage or gain. To that end:

- A. Colleagues shall not accept monetary compensation or benefit other than normal salaries and business expense reimbursement for services within the scope of

their duties to USA-WSWS. In addition, no Colleagues, except for athletes speaking on the subject of their competitive experiences, shall accept honoraria for speaking engagements where the subject of the discussion relates to activities of a USA-WSWS sports discipline.

- B. It is normal and acceptable for a Colleague to be provided meals, lodging and event clothing when acting in an official capacity at a USA-WSWS sanctioned event. It is also normal and expected that members and staff of a competition team representing a USA-WSWS sports discipline will be provided travel expenses and clothing. It is expected that exceptions to this rule will be made where no actual or perceived conflict of interest exists. USA-WSWS Colleagues shall submit requests for exceptions to the Chairman of the Ethics Committee who, in consultation with the Ethics Committee, shall have the authority to approve or disapprove of any such request.
- C. No Colleague shall engage in outside activities that are in clear and direct conflict with the interests of the USA-WSWS.
- D. Colleagues shall attempt to remain free from obligations to, or relationships with, any person or concern with which USA-WSWS has a business or other relationship. Where a Colleague has such an obligation or relationship, he or she shall disclose it to the Ethics Committee Chairman, who in consultation with the Ethics Committee, shall have the authority to approve or disapprove of the obligation or relationship. The Ethics Committee could request the individual to:
 - 1. Excuse himself or herself from any formal or informal discussions related to the relationship between the USA-WSWS and the person or concern; and
 - 2. Abstain from voting and from seeking to influence the vote on any matter related to the person or concern.
- E. USA-WSWS volunteers and employees shall not use assets, intellectual property or confidential information for personal gain.
- F. When a matter comes before the Board or any Committee as to which a Director or Committee Representative has a conflict of interest, an alternate without a conflict of interest may be designated (either a designated alternate selected in advance, or by the AAC, the Sport Discipline, or the President, as appropriate) to participate and vote with respect to that matter. If no alternate is designated, the vote shall be re-apportioned such that the conflicted Director's or Committee Representative's vote shall not be given any weight vis-à-vis the outcome of the vote (to avoid abstentions being counted as "no" votes).

VIII. GIFTS

USA-WSWS has instituted a strict policy regarding gifts. All USA-WSWS Colleagues must refrain from accepting or offering any gift in violation of this Code of Conduct. This policy requires all improper gifts to be immediately reported following the procedures detailed below. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace all applicable state and federal laws governing conflicts of interest in nonprofit or charitable organizations.

Except as permitted in this Code of Conduct, no Colleague shall accept any gift as a result of their position, including travel and entertainment. The gift policy will also apply to the purchase of goods and services at a price less than would be available to them if it were not for their position with USA-WSWS. Specifically:

- A. Gifts which the recipient reasonably and in good faith believes to have a value of less than \$150, and provided that the cumulative value of gifts from one

source in any calendar year does not exceed \$300, may be accepted. In no event, however, may any such gift influence or appear to influence the recipient in the discharge of his or her official duties. No gift with a value of less than \$50 will count toward the \$300 annual limit.

B. The following gifts shall be permitted:

1. Gifts from relatives.
2. Gifts from personal friends, unless the gift is provided because of a USA-WSWS affiliation.
3. Gifts from USA-WSWS.
4. Gifts provided as a result of the recipient's outside business or employment activities.
5. Awards or prizes given to competitors in contests or events open to the public.
6. Honorary degrees and other bona fide, non-monetary awards presented in recognition of service.
7. Gifts of personal hospitality.
8. Commemorative plaques or trophies
9. Food or refreshments offered as a part of a meal.
10. Hospitality (e.g., tours, event tickets, meals) provided to groups in conjunction with USA-WSWS board and committee meetings.
11. Gifts of tickets to athletic events shall also be permitted. This exception shall only apply to spectator events and shall not apply to events in which the recipient participates (e.g., the exception will not apply to a gift of lift tickets). Any gift of tickets with a value in excess of \$150 must be disclosed to the Chairman of the Ethics Committee no later than thirty (30) days after the event in question unless it is exempt by virtue of one of the exceptions listed above.

Questions regarding the application of the gift policy will be addressed by the Ethics Committee. The Committee will have the authority to waive the application of the gift policy on a case by case basis, if no actual or perceived conflict of interest exists.

Care must also be taken not to influence, or appear to influence, the decision-making processes of third parties through gift giving. To that end, the same restrictions that apply to the receipt of gifts shall apply to the delivery of gifts to third parties.

IX. USA-WSWS INFORMATION

All USA-WSWS Colleagues are responsible for the integrity and accuracy of organization documents, communications and financial records. USA-WSWS records serve as a basis for managing its activities and are important in meeting its obligations to vendors, sponsors, government regulators, creditors, the Board, and its members.

USA-WSWS shall maintain a system of internal controls to assure appropriate authorization, recording and accountability of USA-WSWS's assets. USA-WSWS shall maintain high standards of accuracy and completeness in documenting, maintaining, and reporting financial information. USA-WSWS shall also comply with tax and financial reporting requirements. All USA-WSWS financial documentation must reflect actual USA-WSWS funds, assets, and transactions. It must also conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

All responses to requests by internal auditors, legal staff, independent accountants, the Board, and outside counsel, must be complete and truthful. Colleagues must include all relevant information, even if the request does not specifically ask that that be done.

It is a violation of this Code of Conduct to alter or falsify information on any record or document, to intentionally make a false or exaggerated claim to anyone, or to mislead anyone about USA-WSWS activities. USA-WSWS documents and records must be retained according to the law, and our own record retention policies. No one may remove or destroy records before the specified date without first obtaining permission as outlined in USA-WSWS's records management policy.

X. CONDUCT

Any one or more of the following shall constitute violations of this Code of Conduct or the USA-WSWS Code of Conduct of Ethics:

- A. Drugs and Alcohol. It is the duty of individual members of USA-WSWS to comply with all anti-doping rules of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), IWWF, the USOPC National Anti-coping Policy, and of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), including the USADA Protocol for Olympic and Paralympic Movement Testing (USADA Protocol) and all other policies and rules adopted by WADA, IWWF, the USOPC and USADA. Athlete members agree to submit to drug testing by the IF and/or USADA or their designees at any time and understand that the use of methods or substances prohibited by the applicable anti-doping rules make them subject to penalties including, but not limited to, disqualification and suspension. If it is determined that an individual member may have committed a doping violation, the member agrees to submit to the results management authority and processes of USADA, including arbitration under the USADA Protocol, or to the results management authority of the IWWF, if applicable or referred by USADA. This includes participation in out of competition testing as required by the IWWF, USOPC, USADA and/or WADA Rules.
- B. Athlete Team Agreements. All members of USA-WSWS teams and independent athletes entered into international events by USA-WSWS must also adhere to the requirements and obligations set forth in any athlete team Code of Conduct of Conduct and U.S. Team Agreement.
- C. Equal Treatment. USA-WSWS strictly prohibits unlawful discrimination or unlawful harassment of any kind. Treating someone in an unlawful discriminatory or harassing manner is a violation of this Code of Conduct and Ethics.
- D. SafeSport Policy. Any violation of the USA Water Ski & Wake Sports SafeSport Policy (to be implemented shall be a violation of this Code of Conduct.
- E. Fraud, Deception. Any act of fraud, deception, improper use of USA-WSWS assets, or dishonesty in connection with any USA-WSWS-related activity.
- F. Inappropriate Conduct. Any non-consensual physical contact, obscene language or gesture, or other defamatory, demeaning, or threatening language (whether written or oral) or conduct directed towards a Colleague is a violation of this Code of Conduct.
- G. Conduct Detrimental. Any other material and intentional wrongful act, conduct or failure to act not provided for above, which is detrimental to the image or reputation of USA-WSWS or its Objects and Purposes.

- H. Disclosure of Confidential Information. Any intentional or reckless disclosure of material USA-WSWS confidential information.
- I. Retaliation. Any retaliation against any person who reports or participates in an investigation of a possible violation of our Code of Conduct and Ethics, including Whistleblowers (see below). Retaliation shall include (by way of example; other actions may also constitute retaliation) threats or actions of physical harm, threats or actions (including social media postings) which constitute bullying or other misconduct under USA-WSWS' SafeSport Policy, and actions taken to prevent or restrict another person from fully participating as a member of USA-WSWS and its Sports Disciplines.
- J. Failing to Report Violations and False Accusations. Any knowing or intentional failure to report a violation of this Code of Conduct or USA-WSWS' Code of Conduct of Ethics, or any false accusation which is knowing or intentional.

XI. RESOLVING ETHICAL AND CONDUCT ISSUES

Colleagues have an obligation to be familiar with this Code of Conduct and Ethics. Lack of awareness or misunderstanding of an ethical or conduct standard is not itself a defense to a charge of unethical conduct that violates the Code of Conduct. USA-WSWS Colleagues should direct all conduct and ethics questions and concerns to the Ethics Committee or to other appropriate authorities in order to choose a proper response. It is the responsibility of all Colleagues to resolve any issues arising under this Code of Conduct and Ethics before the Colleague takes any action which may be a violation of this Code of Conduct and Ethics. It is intended that this Code of Conduct and Ethics will be strictly enforced.

The following persons shall be required to deliver an annual certification (which can be satisfied by email statement) to the Executive Director of USA-WSWS or her/his designee regarding compliance with this Code of Conduct and Ethics:

1. USA-WSWS and Sport Discipline Board Directors;
2. Members of the USA-WSWS AAC;
3. Members of Designated Committees;
4. Employees of USA-WSWS.

The Ethics Committee shall report all issues, interpretations, and decisions (including guidance provided to Colleagues under this policy) to the Executive Director or her/his designee. All such records shall be permanently maintained as a record of those actions. Those records shall be confidential except for any matters which are reported to the Judicial Committee or for other required reporting activities.

XII. WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY

A "whistleblower" as defined by this policy is any USA-WSWS Colleague who reports an activity to one or more of the parties specified in this policy that they consider to be illegal, dishonest, unethical or in conflict with the interests of USA-WSWS. Reports should be made as set forth below. All Colleagues must exercise sound judgment to avoid baseless allegations. A Colleague who intentionally files a false report of wrongdoing will be subject to sanctions up to and including termination.

"Whistleblower" protections provide confidentiality and prevent retaliation. Insofar as possible, the confidentiality of the whistleblower will be maintained. However, to conduct a thorough investigation, to comply with the law and to provide accused individuals their legal

rights of defense, disclosure of identity may be required. USA-WSWS will not retaliate against a whistleblower. Any "whistleblower" who believes he or she is being retaliated against must contact the USA-WSWS Executive Director immediately, with copies to USA-WSWS' President and the chair of the committee having jurisdiction (Ethics Committee or Judicial Committee). The right of the "whistleblower" to protection against retaliation does not include immunity for any personal wrongdoing that is alleged and investigated. USA-WSWS Colleagues with any questions regarding this policy should contact the Ethics Committee.

XIII. INVESTIGATION AND ADJUDICATION

All reports and claims of violations under this Code of Conduct and Ethics shall be referred to the Judicial Committee except as follows:

- A. Jurisdiction over issues arising under USA-WSWS' SafeSport Policy shall be as set forth in the Bylaws of USA-WSWS and its SafeSport policy.
- B. Alleged violations involving USA-WSWS employees may be addressed if/as appropriate by USA-WSWS' Executive Director and USA-WSWS' President.

When Colleagues believe that a violation has occurred, they should report it to the USA-WSWS Executive Director, with copies to USA-WSWS's President and the chair of the Judicial Committee, each of whom shall confirm that receipt of such reports by the others.

In certain circumstances, issues may be resolved informally. Any informal resolution must be agreed to by all parties-in interest, and approved by the Executive Director, the Chair of the Judicial Committee, and the President of the Sport Discipline most closely connected to the matter at issue. All informal resolutions must be in writing, and retained as a part of the records of USA-WSWS. If an information resolution is not agreed upon or is otherwise inappropriate, a formal proceeding shall be commenced as set forth above.

Anyone who violates this Code of Conduct and Ethics is subject to disciplinary measures, which may include termination of employment, suspension or expulsion from USA-WSWS. Disciplinary measures may also be taken with respect to senior staff who condone improper conduct by their associates or who do not take measures to correct problems that are brought to their attention.

This policy serves as a framework to guide ethical conduct, but by no means covers every situation. If you are unclear about the requirements of this policy, please consult your supervisor or contact the Chairman of the Ethics Committee. You have a responsibility to ask questions if you have doubts about a situation or proposed course of action.

Certification of Compliance to USA-WSWS Code of Conduct and Ethics

I certify that I have read the USA-WSWS Code of Conduct and Ethics, and have not engaged in any activities that are not in compliance with its requirements and I am not aware of activities that would be in noncompliance with the Code.

Signed (electronically) _____
Sport Discipline _____
Position or Office _____
Date _____

Email to: USA-WSWS Executive Assistant (currently Jessica Modrak, jmodrak@usawaterski.org)

By way of administration, the Manager of Business Operations would annually email this form to each USA-WSWS BOD member and each Sports Discipline President, who in turn would be responsible to get it to their respective BOD for electronic signature and return. Staff will also be expected to complete the form.

Athlete Advisory Council Report

USOC Report

Announcer's Committee Report

Awards Committee Report

Regional & National Drivers Committee Report January 2021

Highlights of Committee Accomplishments:

- The Committee met several times during the 2020 calendar year. A number of the meetings were focused on how we continue to improve the skills of our drivers & the appropriate level of action that needs to be taken when there are issues with drivers/tournaments, etc.
- The Pan Am Region Drivers Committee developed & shared the following with the Drivers Committee:
 - The Pan Am Region adopted a Sure-Path Use Policy that recommends using a Boat Path Monitoring System for 2021 tournaments as information only so that officials become familiar with its capabilities. While IWWF rules do provide for official use, initially it is recommended that the system be used as information only to provide boat driver data to self-monitor and correct boat path.
- The Committee discussed the need to update the Drivers Policy Manual. The Manual needed to be modified to reflect a number of policy & procedure changes that have been made over the years but not documented in the Policy Manual (see attached).

Planned activities for next 12 months:

- **International Drivers Rating:** Will Bush has been asked by the IWWF Tournament Council to lead a workgroup to develop a rating for international events (Worlds, etc.). He will keep the Drivers Committee involved in the progress.
- **Online Drivers Clinics (Classroom):** Continue to pilot the classroom portion of the Drivers Clinics throughout the U.S.
- **Drivers Testing Program:** The Committee will review the current drivers' tests, including the qualifications for each level, and make recommendations to the Board.

Board Action Required:

- The Committee recommended that we ask the AWSA Board for the following configuration/number of drivers for 2021 (7-day tournament/2 lakes):
 - 1-Appointed Driver (3-event) per region and 1-2 Assigned Drivers per region. The Assigned Drivers must be 2 event drivers at a minimum.
 - Note: Assigned Drivers will not have to be onsite all week & relieves the LOC from having to pay for rooms for the Assigned Drivers.

Changes to Committee Membership: None.

Awards & Other Recognition: None.

Other Issues: None.

Review Notes for Draft 2021 Drivers' Policy Manual

This draft is a complete structural revision of the manual. Information in the manual is now broken down into 12 sections and four appendices. This will help readers find the information they need quickly, reduce confusion in interpretation, and will facilitate update of the manual in the future.

Most of the content in the manual was taken directly from the existing manual with only minor changes to the text to fix grammatical errors or improve clarity. To make the manual more readable to a new driver, several new descriptive topics were added. Some of the information, like the number of tournaments required for maintenance, appears in more than one place. This may be seen as redundant, but it was done deliberately to help users find information quickly without having to search through the manual.

To facilitate review and discussion, the sections are discussed briefly below with substantive changes noted. Grammar fixes and minor changes in wording are not highlighted. Entirely new sections are identified. Substantive changes to existing material are explained below and **highlighted in green** in the draft manual.

1 - Program Description

This was all in the existing manual, it has just been made a section with a title. **Where it talks about clinics, the statement about not being allowed to attend a clinic on the same weekend as an upgrade test was removed.** It was also removed anywhere else it appeared in the manual.

2 - Driver Rating Levels

This new content is a general description of driver ratings and what different ratings can do. It is intended to help aspiring drivers understand the ratings. **Added a general statement about driver responsibilities with a reference to Appendix D, and a statement about ECV/BPMS and a reference to Appendix C for Regular and Senior Drivers.**

3 - Qualifying for Assistant Driver

This is essentially the existing material but it has been given it's own section so it's easy to find for someone who wants to become a driver. **There has been confusion in the past about clinics. To eliminate confusion around clinics testing for Assistant Driver has been separated from clinic and renamed "Assistant Driver Test Session". Additional wording was added to make it clear that aspiring drivers need to attend a clinic and a test session. Wording was added to say applicants should be familiar with materials and procedures before they arrive and should be prepared to drive any approved boat.**

4 - Advancement to Regular Driver

5 - Advancement to Senior Driver

The content is mostly unchanged, but each rating has been given it's own section because the processes, though very similar, are not the same. Currently, test results for Regular Driver upgrades go directly to USAWS-WS, but test results for Senior Drivers must pass through regional committee reps. The separate section will help make this clear. It's also likely in future that additional requirements unique to Senior Drivers such as Sure Path data, will be added to the requirements for Senior Drivers. In that case we can just update the Senior Driver section. BPMS was added where it talks about end course

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video.

6 - Special Fast-Track to Rating Procedures

On fast track to a tricks rating, where it says the written portion of the exam must be administered by the Regional Drivers' Committee Rep, “or his designee was added”.

For fast-track to Assistant Driver for Level III Coaches and Open rated skiers, the following changes were made.

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will review and approve the application and notify the applicant once they have received the MVR Review. USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will notify the applicant and Regional Drivers' Committee representative that he is eligible to attend 1) a driver clinic and 2) an Assistant Driver Test Session to take the written and on-water practical evaluations. The regional Driver's Committee representative will work with the applicant and other drivers to schedule a clinic and a test session.

Upon successful completion of the clinic, the Clinic Instructor will forward the clinic payment and written/on-water practical evaluations to the Regional Drivers' Committee representative who will review and forward on to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator who will award the Assistant Driver rating.

7 - Driver Clinics

This section contains existing information on driver's clinics and because of confusion in the past, new descriptive text to explain more about clinics and what they offer. Discussion of Assistant Driver testing previously added was removed.

8 – Maintaining Driver Ratings

All maintenance requirements and MVR requirements are in this section. Some introductory text was added at the beginning. This text was added:

Driving Practice at Regional and National Tournaments: Event credit will be given for each different event driven provided arrangements are made **in advance** with the Chief Driver.

While we had some discussion about credit for other types of work, there was not a clear consensus so no attempt was made to add anything other than the bit above about driving practice. This could be revisited sometime in future.

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9 - Testing For Driver's Rating or Upgrade

The following was added at the beginning of the section:

Testing to become an Assistant Driver or upgrade to a Regular or Senior Driver, requires the driver to successfully pass both a written test and an on-water practical evaluation of his skills.

For new Assistant Drivers, Assistant Driver Test Sessions are convened and include the testing administrators needed to conduct the tests. **Only new Assistant Drivers are tested at these sessions.** These sessions are typically scheduled in conjunction with driver clinics.

For upgrade to Regular or Senior Driver, tests are conducted during sanctioned tournaments.

10 – Driving Information Collection/Use and Distracted Driving

DRIVING INFORMATION COLLECTION/USE is a stab at making sure drivers understand we are gathering information about their performance. Others are working on this and it's probably not the final wording. Maybe it will not even be in here. We'll need to validate the status on this before publishing. Distracted Driving is unchanged.

11 – Discipline, Hardship and Reinstatement

These are unchanged.

12 – Emeritus and Retired

These are taken from the existing manual, but there is one notable change. For Retired, it no longer says “no more driving”, and instead says Retired Drivers can drive Grassroots activities and sanctioned practice. This will allow a driver to retire from active tournament driving and the need for meeting maintenance requirements except MVR review. Without this change, a driver who retires and wants to help out driving Grassroots, sanctioned clinics, and sanctioned practice would need to become a Trained Driver to meet risk management requirements. This title will allow differentiation from Trained Driver and provide some recognition of past contributions.

Appendix A – Definitions

This material is unchanged except for the addition of Emeritus and Retired. As a separate section this can be more easily updated as new definitions are added. **Added reference to Appendix C for Regular and Senior Drivers.**

Appendix B – Quantitative Requirements for Advancement and Renewal

This table is unchanged but was moved to an appendix to make it easy to find and maintain.

Appendix C - Slalom Drivers End Course Video Requirements

The name of this appendix was changed because it now includes something for Regular Drivers. The appendix name isn't specific as to driver rating deliberately - it won't hurt for all drivers to read this even if they don't need to do it. The text of Appendix C is what we looked at and settled on on 12/31.

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This bit was bolded to make sure we get a Regular Driver's attention: **“mandatory for any Senior Driver or Regular Driver”**

Appendix D – Driver Responsibilities

Quotations of AWSA rules in this appendix were replaced with plain-english descriptions and with references to AWSA rules by number.

AWSA DRIVERS' POLICY MANUAL

(Revised Jan. 2021)

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1 - Program Description

PURPOSE

The drivers' program is designed to improve, develop and maintain the skills of both new drivers and those drivers with many years of experience behind the wheel. The program works to ensure knowledge and skills are shared, to improve the skill levels of all drivers within the sport of water skiing. Advancement to Assistant, Regular and Senior driver is accomplished through three steps: Step 1 - Education; Step 2 - Participation and Step 3 - Evaluation.

STEP ONE - EDUCATION

Education is provided through drivers' clinics which are conducted in two parts; in a classroom setting and on the water. A clinic is mandatory to initially become an assistant driver and for upgrade to regular or senior driver. The concept of clinics is to provide background and education to apply during Step 2 - Participation. It is anticipated that drivers working towards an upgraded rating will not wait to attend a clinic as one of the last requirements for upgrade. In addition, all drivers must attend a clinic once every four years to maintain their existing rating (see Section 7 – Clinics for further information).

STEP TWO - PARTICIPATION

For each rating level (assistant, regular and senior) there are quantitative requirements that must be met in order to advance. Typically, these requirements are met through experience gained from driving and working tournaments (refer to the [“Quantitative Requirements for Advancement”](#) section for details). A Driver's record of work at these tournaments is documented in the WSTIMS Scoring Program or recorded on the [“Tournament Officials' Record”](#) by the Chief Scorer and submitted to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (USA-WSWS) Headquarters. It is the driver's responsibility to ensure his work has been accurately recorded. Also, drivers should maintain an [Official's Personal Performance Record](#) so they can follow their progress towards advancement. It also serves as an important back-up to Headquarters records in case of discrepancies.

STEP THREE - WRITTEN AND PRACTICAL EVALUATIONS

The written testing for **all** driver ratings is an open book exam. The on-water practical test evaluates a driver's skills in the boat and is conducted under the supervision of three drivers as outlined in the sections for Assistant, Regular, and Senior Drivers.

2 – Driver Rating Levels

AWSA has three established driver rating levels for active tournament drivers: Assistant, Regular, and Senior. Drivers are rated for these levels in each of the three events, Slalom, Tricks, and Jump. It is possible to hold different rating levels for different events.

All drivers, regardless of rating, have a responsibility to pull every skier as fairly and equitably as possible in accordance with AWSA rules. See Appendix D – Driver Responsibilities

Assistant Driver

Assistant is the entry level driver rating. Aspiring Assistant Drivers qualify for the rating by meeting prerequisite experience requirements, passing an MVR records review, completing an Application for Assistant Driver and passing written and on water testing during a driver clinic convened for the purpose of new driver testing.

Assistant Drivers may drive in any Class C or below tournament and may serve as Assistant Chief Driver in Class C or below tournaments.

Regular Driver

Regular Driver is an advanced rating for tournament driving. Regular Drivers advance from Assistant Driver by accumulating experience driving in 12 tournaments, two of which as Assistant Chief Driver, and then passing written and on water tests during a tournament under the supervision of three Senior drivers. Before testing for upgrade, the driver must have attended a clinic since becoming an Assistant Driver.

A Regular Driver may drive any class of tournament, including record capability, with the exception of the National tournament. A Regular Driver may serve as Chief Driver of a Class C or below tournament.

Senior Driver

Senior Driver is the highest rating for AWSA tournament drivers. Senior Drivers advance from Regular Driver by accumulating experience driving in 18 tournaments, two of which as Chief Driver, and then passing written and on water tests during a tournament under the supervision of three Senior Drivers. Before testing for upgrade, the driver must have attended a clinic since the last upgrade.

A Senior Driver may drive any class of tournament and also serve as Chief Driver.

Regular and Senior Driver End Course Video/Boat Path Monitoring Report

Regular and Senior Drivers who drive in record capability tournaments must supply this information about their driving to AWSA annually. See Appendix C.

3 – Qualifying for Assistant Driver

An aspiring Assistant Driver must:

- complete the prerequisite tasks outlined on the *“Application for Assistant Driver”*.
- purchase and authorize a Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review as outlined on the application
- forward the completed application to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, Attention: Officials Programs. Be sure to keep a copy for your records.

Once USA-WSWS Headquarters has been notified the aspiring driver has successfully passed the MVR Review, Headquarters will notify the applicant and regional Drivers’ Committee representative that the aspiring driver is eligible to attend 1) a driver clinic and 2) an Assistant Driver Test Session to take the written and on-water practical evaluations. The regional Driver's Committee representative will work with the applicant and other drivers to schedule a clinic and a test session.

The written test is open book. While testees may use the AWSA Rule Book and Zero Off documentation for reference, they should be familiar with this material before attending the clinic.

The on-water practical test will simulate pulling skiers under tournament conditions. Testees should come prepared to drive any tournament-approved boat and should be familiar with procedures followed in the boat during a tournament.

Upon successful completion of the testing clinic, the test administrator will forward the aspiring driver's written test and the on-water practical evaluation to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, who will award an Assistant Driver rating.

4 – Advancement to Regular Driver

- Drivers should ensure they are receiving proper credit for events worked by logging into their “*Members-Only*” section of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Web site using their membership number and password and clicking on “*Official Ratings/Certifications*”, “*My Officials’ Ratings*”, “*Events*”.
- Drivers who do not receive proper credit for an event, should notify the Chief Driver or Chief Scorer of the event and request that they e-mail officials@usawaterski.org with the event date, name, sanction number, class, state and the position and events for which they should receive credit.
- Upon completing all quantitative requirements (see Appendix B), including attendance at a clinic since receiving their current Assistant Driver rating, drivers should contact USA Water Ski & Wake Sports’ Officials Coordinator at officials@usawaterski.org to request verification of their quantitative requirements to upgrade.
- Once verified, Headquarters will notify the driver and Regional Drivers’ Committee representative via e-mail that the driver is ready to take the written and practical on-water evaluations which are conducted in conjunction with a USA Water Ski & Wake Sports-sanctioned AWSA Class C tournament. The Regional Drivers’ Committee representative will assist the driver in setting up a testing date and location, as needed.
- On successful completion of testing, the test administrator will forward the written test, and the on-water practical evaluation to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator to award the new Regular Driver rating.

There is no minimum time requirement to complete the quantitative requirements to advance.

5 – Advancement to Senior Driver

- Drivers should ensure they are receiving proper credit for events worked by logging into their “*Members-Only*” section of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Web site using their membership number and password and clicking on “*Official Ratings/Certifications*”, “*My Officials’ Ratings*”, “*Events*”.
- Drivers who do not receive proper credit for an event, should notify the Chief Driver or Chief Scorer of the event and request that they e-mail officials@usawaterski.org with the event date, name, sanction number, class, state and the position and events for which they should receive credit.
- Upon completing all quantitative requirements (see Appendix B), including attendance at a clinic since receiving their current Assistant or Regular Driver rating, drivers should contact USA Water Ski & Wake Sports’ Officials Coordinator at officials@usawaterski.org to request verification of their quantitative requirements to upgrade.
- Once verified, Headquarters will notify the driver and Regional Drivers’ Committee representative via e-mail that the driver is ready to take the written and practical on-water evaluations which are conducted in conjunction with a USA Water Ski & Wake Sports-sanctioned AWSA Class C tournament. The Regional Drivers’ Committee representative will assist the driver in setting up a testing date and location, as needed.
- On successful completion of testing, the test administrator will forward the written test, and the on-water practical evaluation, and end course video or BPMS report **to the Regional Drivers' Committee representative** for final approval and forwarding to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports for award of the Senior Driver rating. See Appendix C for end course video and BPMS information .

There is no minimum time requirement to complete the quantitative requirements to advance.

6 – Special Fast-Track To Rating Procedures

FAST TRACK TO A REGULAR OR SENIOR TRICKS DRIVER

- Fast Track to a Regular Tricks Driver: Drivers holding a Regular or Senior Slalom Driver rating or a Regular or Senior Jump Driver rating who do not have a rating to drive Tricks, can Fast Track by passing the written portion of the Regular Tricks Driver exam. If they are successful, they will be awarded a Regular Tricks Driver rating.
- Fast Track to a Senior Tricks Driver: Drivers holding a Senior Slalom Driver rating or a Senior Jump Driver rating AND holding an Assistant or Regular Driver rating in Tricks, can Fast Track to a Senior Tricks Driver by passing the written portion of the Senior Trick Drivers exam.

Process to Fast Track to a Regular or Senior Tricks Driver

1. The Regional Drivers' Committee representative is responsible for coordinating the Fast Track process for a Regular or Senior Tricks Driver.
2. The Regional Drivers' Committee representative will verify the person meets requirements to take the written exam.
3. The written portion of the Regular or Senior Tricks Driver exam shall be administered by the Regional Drivers' Committee representative or his designee.
4. The completed exam results are to be scanned/mailed to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator. Please include an email/note to with the following information:

Applicant's Name:

Applicant's USA-WSWS Membership Number:

Results of the Written Tricks Driver Exam:

Level of Tricks Driver After Exam (Regular or Senior):

Name of the Exam Administrator:

USA-WSWS Number of the Exam Administrator:

FAST-TRACK PROCEDURES FOR LEVEL III COACHES AND OPEN RATED SKIERS

As an alternative to meeting all quantitative requirements for a driver's rating, Level III Coaches and skiers who hold an "Open" rating on AWSA's National Rankings List may take advantage of "Fast Track" options for earning an Assistant Driver rating or upgrading to Regular Driver in the event(s) for which a rating is held.

Fast Track to Assistant Driver: The aspiring driver must:

- purchase and authorize a Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review as outlined on the [Application for Assistant Driver](#).
- complete the top portion only of the [Application for Assistant Driver](#). Level III Coaching certification or an “Open” rating replaces the need to complete the sign-off requirements.
- submit the application, along with proof of Level III Coach certification and/or proof of an “Open” rating” for each event for which the applicant is applying, to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Program Coordinator.

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will review and approve the application and notify the applicant once they have received the MVR Review. USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will notify the applicant and Regional Drivers’ Committee representative that he is eligible **to attend 1) a driver clinic and 2) an Assistant Driver Test Session to take the written and on-water practical evaluations. The regional Driver's Committee representative will work with the applicant and other drivers to schedule a clinic and a test session.**

Upon successful completion of the clinic, the Clinic Instructor will forward the clinic payment and written/on-water practical evaluations to **the Regional Drivers' Committee representative who will review and forward on to** USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator who will award the Assistant Driver rating.

Fast Track Upgrade to Regular Driver: The quantitative requirements to advance to Regular Driver are reduced, as follows:

- drive five tournaments (reduced from ten)
- serve as Assistant Chief Driver at one tournament (reduced from two)
- attendance at a USA Water Ski & Wake Sports-sanctioned AWSA Drivers’ Clinic since becoming an Assistant Driver

Upon completing the reduced quantitative requirements noted above, the applicant should contact USA Water Ski & Wake Sports at officials@usawaterski.org with his request to fast-track to Regular Driver and include proof of Level III Coaching certification or “Open” rating(s) in the events for which he is applying.

Once USA Water Ski & Wake Sports verifies that the applicant has successfully completed the fast-track quantitative requirements, they will notify the applicant and Regional Drivers’ Committee representative that he is eligible to take the written and on-water practical evaluations in conjunction with a USA Water Ski & Wake Sports-sanctioned AWSA Class C tournament. The Regional Drivers’ Committee representative will assist setting up a testing date and location.

Upon successful completion of the testing, the test administrator will forward the written and on-water practical evaluation to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator to award the Regular Driver rating.

7 – Driver Clinics

Driver clinics provide for review of driving policies and techniques, serve to introduce new and updated technical developments, and create an opportunity for drivers to share experiences. Clinics can take several forms depending on the need. All clinics meet driver rating maintenance and advancement requirements. **All drivers must attend at least one clinic in every four-year experience period.**

Clinics may take the form of classroom only sessions conducted in person or online, conducted by one or more Senior Drivers. Clinics involve no testing and can be attended by any driver to meet maintenance or advancement requirements. They may optionally include on water practice.

Clinics may also be convened with a special focus, with on water practice and coaching, conducted by one or more Senior Drivers. These clinics are convened with a focus on driving technique and include coaching, feedback and review. They typically include use of end course video and/or other boat path tracking technology. These clinics are arranged on an invitational basis, and do meet maintenance and or advancement requirements.

Scheduled clinics are listed on the USAWS-WS website here:

<http://www.usawaterski.org/pages/offdirectory.asp>

Regional Driver's Committee Representatives may also be aware of clinics that are not publicly advertised.

Driver Clinic Sanctioning:

- AWSA Drivers' Clinics are sanctioned by completing the [*"AWSA Drivers' Clinic Sanction Request Form"*](#), located under the *"Officials' Resources"* section of the USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Web site, and submitting it to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports.
- Once approved, USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will send a sanction approval via e-mail along with a sanction number and the electronic clinic materials.

8 – Maintaining Driver Ratings

QUANTITATIVE AND CLINIC REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Drivers must drive in at least 8 Class C tournaments for each event rating held, and attend at least one clinic during the four year experience period.

Regular and Senior Drivers must drive in at least 12 Class C or higher tournaments for each event rating held, and attend at least one clinic during the four year experience period.

Senior Drivers who hold a slalom rating must submit an end-course video of their driving or a boat path monitoring system report of their driving performance to their Regional Drivers' Committee representative once a year for review. See Appendix C

EVENT CREDIT

Chief Driver: The Chief Driver shall receive credit for driving a tournament even if he does not actually drive in the tournament.

Assistant Chief Driver: The Assistant Chief Driver does not receive credit for driving a tournament in which he does not drive. However, credit will be given for advancement purposes in meeting the requirement to serve in the capacity as assistant chief driver.

Multiple Credits: For upgrade purposes, work towards fulfilling the quantitative requirements as Chief Driver or Assistant Chief Driver of a tournament may not also count toward the required number of tournaments to be driven. For example, serving as Chief Driver of a tournament counts toward work as a Chief Driver or toward tournament quantity, but not both.

Other Drivers: Appointed or assigned drivers will only receive credit for those events driven in a sanctioned tournament.

Driver Test Administrators: Drivers who serve as test administrators for on-water practical testing for rating upgrades in conjunction with a Class C or higher tournament, qualify for tournament credit. Test administrators should check with the Chief Scorer of the tournament to be sure they are properly listed on the *"Tournament Officials' Record"* that is returned to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports in order to receive credit.

GrassRoots (Class F) Tournaments: Driving in a GrassRoots (Class F) tournament counts for maintenance purposes only – not for upgrade. The Chief Driver of a Class F tournament receives one credit (for maintenance or upgrade) for the events included in that tournament. Only one credit per year may be earned from a GrassRoots tournament.

Drivers' Clinics: Clinic attendee and instructor participation in a Drivers' Clinic may be used in place of one tournament credit per calendar year.

Towboat Evaluations: Event/Tournament credit will be given to drivers who drive at the USA Water Ski & Wake Sports / AWSA Towboat Evaluations.

Driving Practice at Regional and National Tournaments: Event credit will be given for each different event driven provided arrangements are made **in advance** with the Chief Driver.

MOTOR VEHICLE RECORD (MVR) REVIEW REQUIREMENTS

Aspiring Assistant Drivers must successfully pass a Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review before attending an AWSA-sanctioned Drivers' Clinic as outlined on the [Application for Assistant Driver](#). **Currently rated drivers** must also pass a MVR Review once every two years to maintain their rating.

Follow the instructions below to purchase and authorize a Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review. Typically, it takes two to three business days for the results to be returned to USA Water Ski. The screening agency will only notify the applicant if they fail the review.

- Log into your "Members-Only" section of the USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Web site using your membership number and password
- Select the "[Drivers' Programs](#)" link from the navigational menu on the left-hand side of the page
- Select the "[Purchase and Authorize a Motor Vehicle Record \(MVR\) Review](#)" link and follow the instructions to pay the screening fee.

9 – Testing for Driver's Rating or Upgrade

Testing to become an Assistant Driver or upgrade to a Regular or Senior Driver, requires the driver to successfully pass both a written test and an on-water practical evaluation of his skills.

For new Assistant Drivers, Assistant Driver Test Sessions are convened and include the testing administrators needed to conduct the tests. **Only new Assistant Drivers are tested at these sessions.** These sessions are typically scheduled in conjunction with driver clinics.

For upgrade to Regular or Senior Diver, tests are conducted during sanctioned tournaments.

Written Testing: The written test shall be an open book test with a copy of the current AWSA rulebook made available. Passing scores for the written test are provided below.

WRITTEN TESTING PASSING PERCENTAGES <i>(# questions correct ÷ total questions)</i>				
Testing for:	General Considerations	Slalom	Tricks	Jumping
Assistant	80% (20/25)	80% (17/21)	80% (12/15)	80% (18/22)
Regular	85% (21/25)	85% (18/21)	85% (13/15)	85% (19/22)
Senior	90% (23/25)	90% (19/21)	90% (14/15)	90% (20/22)

On-Water Practical Evaluation: Drivers successfully completing the written test may proceed with the on-water practical testing as outlined below.

ON-WATER PRACTICAL EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS <i>(current speed control system required)</i>				
Testing for:	Testing Location	Test Administrator Requirements	Alternate Test Administrator Requirements ¹	Maximum # of Times Can Test Per Calendar Year
Assistant	Assistant Driver Testing Clinic	1 Senior Driver 2 Regular Drivers	2 Senior Drivers	2
Regular²	Class C or higher tournament	2 Senior Drivers 1 Regular Driver	2 Senior Drivers + ECV or BPMS report ³	2
Senior²	Class C or higher tournament	3 Senior Drivers	2 Senior Drivers + ECV or BPMS report ³	1

NOTE: All upgrades to Senior Driver must be submitted to the Regional Drivers' Committee representative for final approval. Be sure to include all testing materials and end course video or BPMS data.

¹ Use of reduced test administrator rating requirements or the use of two test administrators **requires the approval of the Regional Drivers' Committee Representative**

² For Regular and Senior Driver testing, one of the test administrators must also be an AWSA-rated judge

³ECV = End course video meeting the technical guidelines for record capability tournaments is required for slalom and recommended for jumping.

- **Assistant Driver Testing:** In the event the appropriate level of drivers is not available to hold an **Assistant Driver Test Session**, the Regional Drivers' Committee representative shall describe, in writing, the situation and forward it to the Chair of the Committee for a vote and/or appropriate action, prior to holding the clinic.
- **Test Administrator Roles:** Two of the test administrators shall ride in the boat with one acting as the boat judge. The third test administrator shall be positioned at the end of the course to observe the boat path both inside and outside of the course. If the third test administrator is not used, end-course video (required for slalom and recommended for jump) must be used to evaluate boat path inside the course. All evaluation of in-course slalom boat path must be done either by a test administrator stationed at the end of the course or by the two test administrators' review of end-course video. The video should be made available to the driver for feedback on his performance. **For Senior Driver upgrades, end-course video or BPMS data must be captured and forwarded to the Regional Drivers' Committee representative along with relevant paperwork. See Appendix C.**
- **Inspection of Equipment:** The test administrators will inspect the boat to be used prior to testing to ensure it is adequate to pull the event. Inspection shall also be made to ensure there is no play in the steering, that the throttle operates smoothly, that the speed control system and related instrumentation are in good working order, and that there are no problems with the boat that will affect the results of the practical evaluation.
- **Skiers for Practical Evaluation:** When administering the practical test for upgrade to Regular or Senior Driver, the candidate must drive the more difficult events (i.e., Mens 1, Mens 2, Mens 3). An adequate number of skiers should be pulled to properly evaluate the candidate's skills and abilities; typically, at least 10 to 15 skiers per event (two events can be combined to obtain enough skiers for testing). Also, when selecting a tournament for testing purposes, select one where slalom, tricks and jumping performances will be in the range expected for a Regular or Senior Driver.
- **Scoring the On-Water Practical Evaluation:** All test administrators shall rate the driver on those critical factors observed, as outlined in the supplied Boat Driver's Practical Evaluation Forms. Each test administrator shall compute a score for each event (slalom, tricks, jumping). A score for EACH EVENT will then be computed by averaging the individual examiner's scores for that event. The following minimum scores are required for upgrade:
 - Assistant Driver – 3.0
 - Regular Driver – 3.5
 - Senior Driver – 4.0

Each event (slalom, tricks and jumping) must have an average score equal to or exceeding the above numbers in order to advance to the next higher level for that event. Scores

should not be rounded and shall be computed to at least one decimal point. A driver may pass in one event but not pass in another. This may result in a driver with a regular rating in slalom, for example, and an assistant rating in jump.

10 – Driving Information Collection/Use and Distracted Driving

DRIVING INFORMATION COLLECTION/USE

During sanctioned events, AWSA collects and stores data and information including but not limited to: skier name, boat driver and judge names, boat speed, rope length, and measured boat path. While some data is in text or numeric form, boat path data may be captured with video and/or with GPS-based boat path monitoring systems (BPMS).

Boat path data may be used for but not limited to: determining a valid boat path, determining the need for a reride, validating skier records, and evaluating driver performance.

As a driver in any sanctioned USA Water Ski and Wake Sports event, you agree to the collection, use and retention of such data and information as a condition of driving in the event.

DISTRACTED DRIVING

Distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person's attention away from the primary task of driving. Distractions are shown to compromise the safety of the driver, passengers, and individuals being towed behind a boat.

Every state has a different set of laws regarding Distracted Driving, particularly with the use of cell phones while operating a motor vehicle. State laws define a boat as a motor vehicle.

For laws in your state please refer to:

<https://www.idrivesafely.com/driving-resources/laws/distracted-driving/>

Policy

- A boat driver shall not use a cell phone while operating a boat unless that phone is used in a hands-free manner such as with the use of a headset. Use during a sanctioned event, even with a headset, should be minimized to communication with officials, safety crew, dock starters and shore personnel in conduct of the event.
- A boat driver shall not text while operating a boat.
- Operating a boat is defined as in the driver's seat with the motor running.

11 – Discipline, Hardship, and Reinstatement

DISCIPLINE

As a driver, you are expected to follow the rules. The use of any tolerances by you to improve skier performance will not be tolerated. It is your responsibility to attempt to be as close as possible to the actual rule specification.

Any driver breaking the rules will be subject to disciplinary action. Actions may include a letter of reprimand, suspension and/or demotion depending on the nature of the incident and any past occurrences.

Intentional disregard of the rules should be reported to the respective regional Drivers' Committee representative, copying the Driver's Committee Chair. The Driver's Committee will review the incident and if the situation warrants, will initiate a course of disciplinary action.

HARDSHIP

The AWSA Drivers' Committee is responsible for ensuring all drivers have the skills necessary to guarantee skiers the best ride possible. A skier should not have to ski behind a driver who has not practiced. Driving skills require continual work during practice and tournaments. The requirements for maintaining a rating are minimal and necessary to ensure our skiers receive the best driving available.

There are, however, situations beyond a driver's control which would prevent meeting the renewal requirements. An excusable hardship is an event or condition over which a driver has no control. In other words, the event or condition is not self-imposed and personal choice has not been exercised.

Each request for hardship will be considered on its own merits. Hardships will not be granted for ability, prior qualifications, personality or length of service. Hardships are not renewable.

The following are examples and are not all inclusive:

Excusable conditions:

- Medical problems - major injury or illness, surgery, pregnancy
- Military duty
- Temporary job assignments lasting two months or more over which you have no control

Inexcusable conditions:

- Non-awareness of renewal requirements
- Personal error in record keeping
- Lack of tournament attendance due to other personal activities
- Absence due to school
- Failure to attend a drivers' clinic

Individuals applying for hardship shall obtain and complete an AWSA Hardship Renewal Petition form from USA Water Ski & Wake Sports. The deadline for submitting a hardship request is May 1 of the year following the downgrade or 60 days after official notification of downgrade by USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, whichever is later.

REINSTATEMENT

Assistant Driver – Applicants must:

- have held a valid AWSA Assistant Driver's rating within the previous five years
- attend a sanctioned AWSA Drivers' Clinic
- successfully complete both the written and on-water practical portions of the Assistant Driver's test
- insure that the *"Drivers' Clinic Registration Form"* returned to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports clearly indicates that the driver is applying for reinstatement

Applicants for reinstatement as an AWSA Assistant Driver **DO NOT** need to complete an *"Application for Assistant Driver"*. Once the required paperwork is received by USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, the applicant will be notified of reinstatement as an Assistant Driver via e-mail.

Regular Driver – Applicants must:

- have held a valid AWSA Regular Driver's rating within the previous five years
- attend a sanctioned AWSA Drivers' Clinic
- contact USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator to verify the date of downgrade to an Assistant Driver and date of the last clinic attended

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will contact the applicant's Regional Drivers' Committee representative who will schedule a date to take the written and practical portions of the Regular Driver's test in conjunction with a Class C tournament. Once the required paperwork is received by USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, the applicant will be notified of reinstatement as a Regular Driver via e-mail.

Senior Driver – Applicants must:

- have held a valid AWSA Senior Driver's rating within the previous five years
- attend a sanctioned AWSA Drivers' Clinic
- contact USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Officials Coordinator to verify the date of downgrade to a Regular Driver and date of the last clinic attended

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will contact the applicant's Regional Drivers' Committee representative who will schedule a date to take the written and practical portions of the Senior Driver's test in conjunction with a tournament.

For Senior Driver reinstatements, the test administrator will forward the written test, on-water practical evaluation and end course video or BPMS report **to the Regional Drivers' Committee representative** who will review and forward on to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports to award the new Senior Driver rating.

Reinstated drivers may use any tournaments driven in the past five years as credit toward advancement to the next driver's rating level.

12 – Emeritus and Retired

SENIOR DRIVER EMERITUS

A Senior Driver Emeritus is recognized as a Senior Driver who:

- has made a significant contribution to the sport of water skiing through many years of driving
- retains the right to work as a Chief Driver or Driver of a Class C or lower tournament with no tournament or clinic maintenance requirements; however, the driver must maintain a current USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Active membership and Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review.
- recognizes that it takes significant practice to retain the skills necessary to drive in a sanctioned tournament and would not drive if his or her skills were not up to date

Minimum Requirements - Applicants must have:

- held a Senior Driver's rating for a minimum of ten years
- driven five Regional tournaments
- driven two National tournaments

Extensive special service of a driver in professional or international events may, at the discretion of the Drivers' Committee, be substituted for any of the above toward meeting minimum requirements.

Application Process: Candidates can apply for Emeritus status in one, two, or three events and will retain their current driver rating in the events not granted Emeritus status.

- Submit a letter requesting Emeritus status along with your qualifications, to your regional Drivers' Committee representative
- Your Drivers' Committee representative will verify that the minimum requirements have been met and obtain regional approval by a vote of the Regional Council.
- Upon regional approval, the recommendation will be forwarded to the Drivers' Committee Chair who will forward it on to the entire Drivers' Committee for a vote. Approval requires a 2/3 majority vote by the committee.
- The recommendation will then be sent forward to the AWSA Board of Directors for final approval.
- USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will formally notify the driver with a letter of confirmation and a certificate of recognition via mail.

REGULAR/SENIOR DRIVER RETIRED

Many Regular and Senior Drivers do not meet the requirements for Senior Driver Emeritus but have been a dedicated driver in the sport for many years. The Regular/Senior Driver "Retired" status allows a driver to retire from **tournament driving** without being subjected to downgrading.

Retired Drivers retain the right to drive in Grassroots events and any sanctioned practice with no tournament or clinic maintenance requirements; however, the driver must maintain a current USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Active membership and Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Review.

Minimum Requirements – Applicants must have held a Regular or Senior Driver's rating for a minimum of five years.

Application Process:

- Submit a letter requesting "Retired" status to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, your regional Drivers' Committee representative and Regional Executive Vice President
- USA Water Ski & Wake Sports will formally notify the driver with a letter of confirmation and a certificate of recognition via mail.

Appendix A - Definitions

DEFINITIONS

Assistant Driver: An Assistant Driver may drive any Class C or below tournament.

Regular Driver: A Regular Driver may drive any class of tournament, including record capability, except for the National tournament. A Regular Driver may serve as Chief Driver of a Class C or below tournament. [Also see Appendix C.](#)

Senior Driver: A Senior Driver may drive any class of tournament and serve as Chief Driver. [Also see Appendix C.](#)

Assistant Chief Driver: An Assistant Chief Driver, if used, shall act in the place of the Chief Driver in the event the Chief Driver is unavailable. In situations where the Assistant Chief Driver is fulfilling requirements toward an upgraded rating, the Chief Driver should try, when at all possible, to allow the Assistant Chief Driver to make boat and driver assignments to gain the knowledge necessary to function as a Chief Driver in the future.

The minimum driver rating required to serve as Assistant Chief Driver shall be:

- Class C and Below Tournaments – Assistant, Regular or Senior Driver
- Class E, L, R and Regional Tournaments – Regular or Senior Driver
- National Tournament – Senior Driver

Chief Driver: The Chief Driver is responsible for assigning all boats and drivers to events and for completing all necessary towboat documentation and other paperwork related to drivers' assignments.

The minimum driver rating required to serve as Chief Driver shall be:

- Class C and Below Tournaments – Regular or Senior Driver
- Class E, L, R, Regional and National Tournaments – Senior Driver
- National Tournament – Senior Driver

In areas where a Regular or Senior Driver is not available, the Executive Vice President may approve the use of an Assistant Driver as the Chief Driver of a Class C tournament, under the supervision of the Chief Judge.

Emeritus Driver: [An Emeritus Driver may serve as Chief Driver and Driver in Class C and below tournaments.](#)

Retired Driver: [A Retired Driver may drive in Grassroots events and any sanctioned practice.](#)

Appendix B – Quantitative Requirements for Advancement and Renewal

DRIVER RATING	APPLICATION AND ADVANCEMENT REQUIREMENTS									RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS		
	Min Age	Clinics	Tourns Driven	Tourns as Asst Chief Driver	Tourns as Chief Driver	TOTAL Minimum Tourns to Advance	Written Test	On Water Practical Test	Motor Vehicle Review (MVR)	Tourns / 4-year cycle	MVR Review / 2 years	Clinics/ 4-Year cycle
Assistant	16	1	See App				1	1	1	8	1	1
Regular	18	1	10 (5*)	2 (1*)		12 (6*)	1	1		12	1	1
Senior	18	1	16		2	18	1	1		12	1	1

*denotes Fast-Track requirement

Appendix C – Slalom Drivers End Course Video Requirements

To refine the skills of our Senior Slalom drivers, the Drivers' Committee continues to stress the importance of **boat path** review. While all Senior Drivers are encouraged to submit a copy of an End Course (EC) video or Boat Path Monitoring System (BPMS) report annually (as described below), it is just as important that drivers not only take the time to review their path on a regular basis but also ask for immediate feedback when they are driving during a tournament. Asking a seasoned senior driver to watch you drive an event and provide immediate feedback, via a cell phone/radio, is the most effective way to get "real time" feedback and make corrections.

As stated earlier, all Senior Drivers are strongly encouraged to use and annually submit ECV or BPMS data, but it is **mandatory for any Senior Driver or Regular Driver** who drives or proposes to drive record tournaments, Regionals, Nationals, international, or pro events, to have current ECV or BPMS data on file in AWSA systems. Organizers of these events and regional selection processes will consider this information in making driver selection decisions.

The EC video or BPMS report must be either from a Record tournament or a pre-approved Class C tournament. . The video or BPMS report should include, if possible, six skiers at short line lengths (35/38/39).

The fastest and easiest way to get a copy of your EC Video or BPMS report is to bring a thumb drive with you to the tournaments you plan to drive. Give the thumb drive to the Technical Controller, Tournament Chair or whoever oversees the EC Video DVR before the tournament starts. It is recommended that you let this person know which event you are going to drive before the event starts so that they know ahead of time that you would like to have a copy of your driving to take home that day.

File Name Format: Driver Name then date

Example: Dave Driver-06-15-2019

File Upload Link: <https://www.dropbox.com/request/kspVkuZjm5GYyJyxpLeO>

The preferred file format for Video is .AVI. Acceptable video file formats include:

.avi, .avchd, .mov, .mpg, .mpeg, .mp4, .qt, .wmv

Please NO .AVR or .VOB file formats; they each require a special viewer or conversion.

The preferred file formats for BPMS reports are .xls, .xlsx, .pdf

You can also find the upload link on USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Web site under Technical Controller Resources - EC Video. Links to view end course video from other events can also be found there.

Appendix D – Driver Responsibilities

As a driver, it is your responsibility to ensure all skiers receive a fair and equitable ride; and that all rules are followed. Make certain that you have good working knowledge of the rules – both AWSA and IWWF if you plan to drive World Standings List or Record events.

You may not use the rule tolerances to improve skier performance. It is your responsibility to attempt to be as close as possible to the actual rule specifications. AWSA 1.12

In slalom, that means that the boat should be as straight as possible in the center of the slalom course from 55-meter pre-gates through the end of the far exit gates as long as the skier is in the course. You must not exceed the allowable deviation for individual buoys or cumulative deviation as specified in the rules. AWSA 10.07

In jump, that means your boat path should be a straight line, at the requested off-set distance from the ramp, from the 180-meter buoy through the End of Course buoys. You should not change your boat path or boat speed to help a skier's landing or ride out. AWSA 9.06, 9.07

In tricks, that means a straight path for every skier as specified by the Chief Driver and Judge for the event. AWSA 11.07

December 18, 2020

To: AWSA Board of Directors

From: Jeff Clark, Chair AWSA Bylaws Committee

Re: 2021 Winter Report, AWSA Bylaws Committee

The committee members Jeffry Hardin E, Lisa Holland SCR, Bill Murbach MW, Ryan Nason W, Brian Detrick AAC, Karen Truelove AAC, and I would like to express our appreciation for allowing us to serve the organization.

The United States Olympic and Paralympics Committee (USOPC) is implementing the “Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions” document that sets the standards for conducting all competitions sanctioned by USA-WSWS as the NGB for our sport that we will be abiding by going forward (USA-WSWS Article VI 6). The officers, directors, committee members, local tournament sponsors and the membership needs to go to the USA-WSWS Policies and Procedures Manual and read the document which will be located in Appendix VI of the manual.

The USOPC has just completed another compliance review audit of USA-WSWS, the NGB for our sport and this has resulted in significant changes to the USA-WSWS Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Manual that requires us to make changes to our AWSA Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Manual.

As we move through the Action Items, where we see names/acronyms changes highlighted in **YELLOW**, those are housekeeping items for approval. There may be others that will be in the final document and we ask that you also approve them after the fact.

AWSA Bylaws Revision 10 Action Items:

ACTION ITEM # 1: Add “gender” and “national origin” to the discrimination basis list in Article III A.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING PRIVILEGES

- A Membership in AWSA shall be open to any individual member of USA-WSWS, without discrimination on the basis of **gender**, race, color, religion, **national origin**, age, or sex; subject only to payment of dues as the USA-WSWS and AWSA Boards of Directors may prescribe from time to time.

RATIONALE: Per the requirements of the USOPC

ACTION ITEM # 2: Change AAC Director seating to 33 1/3% on Board.

ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

B 2 b; (b) AAC Directors shall be allocated sufficient voting directors so that not less than **33 1/3%** of the membership and voting power of the Board consists of AAC Directors.

RATIONALE: Per the requirements of the USOPC. This will increase the AAC director seats to 9 seats effective February 1, 2021

ACTION ITEM # 3: ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES C – Change in Executive Committee membership will require recalculation using the 33 1/3% requirement to determine the correct number of Elite AAC representation on the committee.

- C. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman of the Board, the President, the Vice President, the Treasurer, **up to five at large members appointed by the President**, and sufficient AAC “elite” athletes” to constitute **33 1/3%** membership and voting power. A majority of the Executive Committee shall be voting members of the Board. This committee shall have representation from each Region. The Executive Director (or his delegate) and the immediate past President, shall be non-voting ex-officio members.

RATIONALE: The variable that will affect the AAC seating on the committee is due to the variability of the wording highlighted in **GREEN**. Also added to the variable, in order to avoid any tie votes, it is strongly recommended that the President make sure that the total number of members on the committee (named officers, at large members and AAC totals an odd number. This can be done without changing the number of at large members.

ACTION ITEM # 4: D – Standing Committees affecting athletes shall require 33 1/3% AAC Elite athlete membership.

- D. Standing Committees shall include **33 1/3%** “elite” athlete” membership and voting power.

RATIONALE: The AAC seating will have to be calculated for each of the committees that are affected by the seating requirements of the USOPC by the President and the committee Chair and inform the AAC Chair of the number of representatives they will require.

ACTION ITEM # 5: Add “unlawful discrimination” to Article XI B.

ARTICLE XI - CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND ETHICAL PRACTICE

B. AWSA, an affiliated Sport Discipline of USA-WSWS, will not tolerate any form of harassment, **unlawful discrimination**, abuse or misconduct and will uphold a zero tolerance policy, consistent with the **United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC)** SafeSport initiative. The USA Water Ski & Wake Sports SafeSport Program Handbook is an appendix to the USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Policies and Procedures Manual.

RATIONALE: This addition will apply to any types of discrimination that the USOPC may add to the USOPC SafeSport Program.

ACTION ITEM # 6: Change all of the Expulsion of a member complaints from AWSA processing and the complaint shall be sent directly to the USA-WSWS Judiciary committee for processing.

ARTICLE XII - SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

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- B. Suspension or Expulsion may be appealed and/or a complaint filed to the AWSA per ARTICLE XIII and it shall be sent directly to the USA-WSWS Judicial Committee and resolved in accordance with USA-WSWS Bylaws Article IX.

RATIONALE: Over the past year these type complaints were handled by each of the Sport Disciplines and due to lack of experience in handling issues like this and not following the published guidelines, USA-WSWS is asking that all of the Expulsion of a member and appeals on suspension be sent directly to the USA-WSWS Judicial Committee for a fair and consistent resolution of the original complaint and any appeals.

ACTION ITEM # 7: Send all Complaints that are filed by a member directly to the USA-WSWS Judicial Committee for resolution.

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We will now move on to the Policies and Procedures Manual Revision 13 Action Items:

ACTION ITEM # 8: Revised section 2.4 Definition of Elite Athlete

2.4 Definition of "Elite Athlete"

2.4.1.1 Elite athletes are defined as athletes selected by the Athlete Advisory Council to represent the athletes on the AWSA Board and committees.

2.4.1.2 At time of election, elite athletes shall have demonstrated their qualifications as athletes as **Elite Athlete or Elite + 10 Athlete as defined in the USA-WSWS Bylaws**

RATIONALE: There are new AAC athlete definitions from the USOPC and to avoid any misunderstandings or errors in copying the material to several different places, we believe it is in our best interest to rely only on the definitions in the USA-WSWS Bylaws and the AAC P & P Manual documents. So, we have deleted the previous definitions from 2.4.1.2 and added the same statement that we use 6.3.3. We are not stipulating where the athlete definitions will be located in the USA-WSWS Bylaws in case they get moved.

ACTION ITEM # 9: Added 33 1/3% AAC Member requirement to 9.3 Standing Committees.

9.0 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

9.3 Standing committees- require AAC participation. The following committees require **33 1/3%** AAC membership and voting power.

- Executive
- Bylaws
- Nominating
- International Activities
- Rules
- Seeding
- Skiers Qualification

RATIONALE: Added the required AAC athlete seating by the USOPC and showing the committees that require Elite Athletes for emphasis.

ACTION ITEM # 10: Added the required 33 1/3% AAC membership to all of the committees in section 11.0 and need approval for all revisions.

11 STANDING COMMITTEES – DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

RATIONALE: Per the required 33 1/3% AAC Athletes from the USOPC.

The AWSA Bylaws Rev 10 as amended today shall be posted on the AWSA section of the USA-WSWS website on Monday **February 1, 2021** and will become effective on **April 1, 2021** unless a referendum is initiated per Article XV F of these bylaws.

We remain open to the membership and the Board of Directors for issues to consider.

Thank you for allowing us to serve.

ATTACHMENTS TO THIS REPORT:

1. AWSA Bylaws Rev 10 Proposed Final
2. AWSA Policies & Procedures Manual Rev 13 Proposed Final

AMERICAN WATER SKI ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

APPROVED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rev 0	8/10/1998
Rev 1	1/22/2000
Rev 2	1/19/2001
Rev 3	1/19/2002
Rev 4	8/11/2003
Rev 5	1/26/2008
Rev 6	1/26/2014
Rev 7	1/24/2015
Rev 8	1/27/2018
Rev 9	1/26/2020
Rev 10	1/30/2021

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TURQUOISE HIGHLIGHTS ARE ACTION ITEMS

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**BYLAWS OF THE AMERICAN WATER SKI ASSOCIATION
A SPORT DISCIPLINE OF USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS, INC**

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the organization shall be "AMERICAN WATER SKI ASSOCIATION," the abbreviation of which shall be "AWSA". This organization is a sport discipline of "USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS, INC", the abbreviation of which is "USA-WSWS". USA-WSWS is the national governing body of water skiing in the United States.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES

The purpose of this organization shall be to organize, promote, and govern traditional/3-event water skiing in the United States and to help organize and promote same throughout the world as a Sport Discipline of USA-WSWS.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING PRIVILEGES

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- 1 Privileges of this membership will be exercised in the Region of the individual's legal residence as determined by USA-WSWS membership files.
 - 2 For purposes of these Bylaws, "Full Members" are USA-WSWS members that have designated AWSA their primary Sport Discipline;
 - 3 Special Classes of membership may be authorized and established by the Board on such terms and conditions, for such dues and with such reasonable rights and privileges, including voting privileges, as it may establish from time to time. Rights and privileges granted to Special Member Classes shall be detailed in the AWSA Policy and Procedures.
 - 4 In no case shall the membership or athlete participation eligibility requirements of AWSA be more restrictive than those of USA-WSWS or the International Waterski and Wakeboard Federation (IWWF).
- B Voting privileges shall be open to full members in good standing that are 18 years of age or older.

ARTICLE IV - REGIONAL ORGANIZATION

- A The United States shall be divided into five Regions as follows:
- 1 **EASTERN REGION:** The states of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.
 - 2 **MIDWEST REGION:** The states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.
 - 3 **SOUTHERN REGION:** The states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.
 - 4 **SOUTH CENTRAL REGION:** The states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas
 - 5 **WESTERN REGION:** The states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.
- B Any state, territory, or possession of the United States may be included in one of said Regions or transferred from one Region to another Region by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.
- C Each Region shall adopt and may amend its own Regional Bylaws.
- 1 Provisions of Regional Bylaws, or actions taken thereunder, shall not be in conflict with the Bylaws of AWSA, the Bylaws of USA-WSWS, or any authorized rules made or actions taken thereunder.

Wherever such conflict exists, the conflicting Regional Bylaws, or action taken thereunder, shall automatically be suspended in application and supplanted by the applicable Bylaws of AWSA, the Bylaws of USA-WSWS, or by the rules made or action taken thereunder by the Board. The Board determination as to the existence of a conflict shall be conclusive.

- 2 Regional Bylaws and revisions thereto, must be approved by the Board and require two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote.
 - (a) Regional Bylaws and amendments thereto, approved by the Regional Board shall be submitted to the AWSA Bylaws Committee.
 - (b) The Bylaws committee shall review and upon 2/3 affirmative vote forward the Regional Bylaws or amendments to the Board for approval.
 - (c) With Board approval, the Region is authorized to implement the Bylaws or revisions according to the procedures in the Regions' Bylaws.

ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A The Board of Directors (herein referred to as the "Board") shall have full power and authority over the affairs of AWSA except as limited in these Bylaws.

B The Board shall consist of Directors from the following groups: Regional Directors, Athlete Advisory Council Directors, AWSA Honorary National Directors and Affiliated Organization Directors. Each Director must be an AWSA "full member" in good standing. The term of each duly elected Director shall begin when the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors is called to order and shall end immediately preceding the Annual Meeting of the Board nearest the end of the period provided for such term, or until a successor has been duly elected. Nothing contained herein shall preclude re-election of the same person for successive terms of office.

- 1 Regional Directors are voting Directors elected by the AWSA members of each Region under such rules and regulations and upon such terms and conditions (with respect to qualifications, election procedures, and related matters) as the Board may, by a two-thirds vote, prescribe from time to time.
 - (a) Each Region shall adopt election procedures not in conflict with Board rules and regulations, provided that the right of a voting member to vote for an AWSA Director shall not be restricted by requiring attendance at Regional meetings or the payment of any fees other than USA-WSWS and AWSA dues.
 - (b) Four Directors shall be elected from each Region. Each Region shall elect one of its Directors for a term of one year, during which time this person shall, in addition to being a Director, serve as the executive head of the Region, and shall hold the title Executive Vice President. The other three Directors from each Region shall each serve a term of three years, so arranged that the term of one said Director shall expire each year.
 - (c) Each Region may elect a designated Alternate for each voting Director. Alternates must meet the same qualifications required for the designated Director. Alternates may attend all Board meetings with no voice nor vote. In the event an elected Director is unable to attend any meeting of the Board, the designated alternate for the absent director shall have both voice and vote for that Director.
 - (d) The vote(s) of an absent Regional Director shall not be cast unless a duly elected alternate is in attendance, in which case the alternate shall cast the Director's vote(s).
 - (e) Members wishing to run for Executive Vice President or Director must do so in the Region of their legal domicile.

JEFF: IN B THE NEW USOPC REQUIREMENT FOR AAC 33 1/3% VOTING POWER REPRESENTATION IS INSERTED FOR DIRECTORS. WILL INCREASE AAC FROM 5 SEATS TO 9 SEATS EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2021.

- 2 Athlete Advisory Council Directors are voting Directors elected by the Athlete Advisory Council (AAC). The AAC shall determine how to elect its Directors allocated to the Board.
 - (a) AAC Directors must be AWSA "full" members and "elite athletes" as defined in AWSA Policies and Procedures.
 - (b) AAC Directors shall be allocated sufficient voting directors so that not less than **33 1/3%** of the membership and voting power of the Board consists of AAC Directors.

- (c) The AAC may elect a designated Alternate for each voting Director. Alternates must meet the same qualifications required for the designated Director. Alternates may attend all Board meetings with no voice nor vote. In the event an elected Director is unable to attend any meeting of the Board, the designated alternate for the absent director shall have both voice and vote for that Director.
- (d) The vote(s) of an absent AAC Director shall not be cast unless a designated alternate is in attendance, in which case the alternate shall cast the Director's vote(s).
- 3 AWSA Honorary National Directors are non-voting Directors who accumulate 6 points by serving on the AWSA Board or on the USA-WSWS Board, in one or more of the capacities listed below and who have received a majority vote of the Board. The service years are total years, served separately, and shall not be concurrent years of service. AWSA Honorary National Directors are elected to this position for life.
 - a) President or Chairman of the Board 3 points for each one year term
 - b) Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary 2 points for each one year term
 - c) Voting Director 3 points for each three year term
 - d) Regional Executive Vice President 2 points for each one year term
- 4 Affiliated Organization Directors are non-voting Directors elected or appointed by an Affiliated Organization. Affiliated Organizations must receive a two-thirds vote of the Board to seat a Director on the Board. The Board shall determine the number and term of Directors allocated to each Affiliated Organization.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS:

- A AWSA Officers shall be: Chairman of the Board; President; Vice President; Secretary; and Treasurer.
- B Officers shall be "full" members of AWSA, in good standing. The Chairman of the Board and the President must be current Directors who have served for at least one year; past Directors who have served at least three years; or Honorary National Directors.
- C Officers shall be elected by the Board at its Annual Meeting and the term of each duly elected Officer shall begin when he is elected and shall be for a period of one year or until a successor has been duly elected.
- D Officers shall be allowed voice only unless they are a current voting Director.
- E Officers of the AWSA may not also be Officers of another amateur sport's national governing body, except USA-WSWS.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

- A CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall cause to be called all regular meetings of the Board of Directors in accordance with these Bylaws. He may call special meetings of the Board of Directors at any time at his discretion. He may call for a vote of the Board by mail ballot at his discretion. He may appoint special Board committees at his discretion, provided they do not conflict with standing committees or special committees previously appointed by the President. He shall follow up on actions taken by the Board to determine that they have been implemented and notify the Board of any failure to implement. He shall be a member of the Executive Committee. He shall do those things required to assist in the smooth and efficient operation of the Board of Directors of AWSA.
- B PRESIDENT: The President shall have general direction of the business of AWSA, subject to the authority of the Board. He shall preside at all national meetings of the membership. He shall present or have presented at each Annual Meeting of Members a report of the condition of AWSA and the status of its business affairs. He may call special meetings of the Board of Directors at any time at his discretion. He shall appoint all standing committees, subject to Article IX of these Bylaws. He may appoint special committees at his discretion. He shall instruct, advise, assist, and oversee the progress of these committees as required for their smooth and efficient operation. He shall be a member of and chair the Executive Committee. He is authorized to sign contracts and agreements approved by the Board in the name of AWSA. He shall do those things required to assist in the smooth and efficient operation of AWSA.

- C VICE PRESIDENT: During the absence and/or inability of the President to render and perform his duties or exercise his powers, the same shall be performed and exercised by the Vice President; and when so acting, he shall have all the powers and be subject to all the responsibilities hereby given to or imposed upon the President. He shall be a member of the Executive Committee.
- D SECRETARY: The Secretary is the recording Officer of AWSA and the nominal custodian of its records.
- E TREASURER: The Treasurer is the chief financial officer of AWSA and shall be responsible for the control of AWSA funds and the maintenance of appropriate records. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer may be the same person as the one who occupies the office of Secretary.

ARTICLE VIII USA-WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS REPRESENTATION

- A As a Sport Discipline of USA-WSWS, AWSA is guaranteed representation and voting power on the USA-WSWS Board as defined in USA-WSWS Bylaws Article VI Section A2(a).
 - 1) Should the allocated number of USA-WSWS Directors be equal to the number of Regions, these seats shall be allocated one (1) to each Region.
 - 2) Should the allocated number of USA-WSWS Directors be less than the number of Regions, the Board shall elect the allocated number of Director(s) from the Regional delegates at the summer meeting of the Board.
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ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES

- A Subject to the approval of the Board, the President may appoint the following standing Committees composed of "full" members of AWSA in good standing. Standing committees shall have representation from each Region and from the AAC.
 - Executive
 - Boat Drivers Rating & Classification
 - Bylaws
 - International Activities
 - Judges and Scorers Qualification & Classification
 - Nominating
 - Rules
 - Safety
 - Seeding
 - Skiers Qualification
 - Technical
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- F Special committees appointed by the Chairman or President are not required to have equal representation from each Region.
- G The duties of the standing committees, including the Executive Committee shall be as determined by the Board of Directors from time to time and detailed in the AWSA Policies and Procedures. The officer appointing the committee shall determine the duties of special committees.
- H Subject to approval of the Board, the President shall nominate AWSA representatives to USA-WSWS committees in accordance with AWSA Policies and Procedures, Article 11.

ARTICLE X - MEETINGS

- A The Board shall meet as a body at least two (2) times during each fiscal year, in accordance with the following provisions:
 - 1 The annual meeting shall begin on the day before the beginning of the National Tournament.
 - 2 The annual meeting shall be attended by both incoming and outgoing Directors. Outgoing Directors will attend for the purpose of insuring their votes were recorded correctly on previous mail ballots and may remain with a voice but no vote for the balance of the meeting.
 - 3 The first order of business on the agenda, after call to order, roll call, announcement of a quorum, and approval of minutes, shall be to take action on mail ballots not previously acted on at a Board meeting. The balance of the agenda shall be as determined by the Chairman and approved by the Board.
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 - 5 At all meetings of the Board, a quorum shall consist of 51% of the voting Directors (or their seated designated alternates). A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business notwithstanding the withdrawal of Directors, so long as a number that constitutes a majority of the required quorum approves any action.
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- 1 Members entitled to vote and who are present at the annual meeting shall constitute a quorum, provided a majority of Regions are represented, and an affirmative vote of the majority of those Members shall be the act of the Membership unless otherwise provided by law.
 - 2 Each individual voting member shall be entitled to vote in person on all matters submitted. A family membership shall carry the privilege of two votes, provided there are two voting members in the family present to cast the votes.
 - 3 The order of business at the Annual Membership Meeting shall be:
 - Call to order
 - Roll call of members present
 - Minutes of prior meeting
 - Report of the Treasurer
 - Report of the President
 - Comments and suggestions from members
 - Any action contemplated by these Bylaws

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2. Manner of Filing, Notice and Binding Nature of the Proceedings.

A complaint may be filed by any person who claims direct and actual harm as a result of the actions complained of. The complainant shall file a Complaint with the AWSA President, with a copy to all members of the American Water Ski Association Executive Committee, and also with a copy to the Executive Director of USA-WSWS.

The Complaint shall set forth in clear and concise language, preferably in numbered paragraphs: (i) the alleged violation, grievance, denial or threat to deny, and (ii) the remedy requested. The complainant shall sign the complaint.

Promptly following receipt of the Complaint, the President shall send a copy of the Complaint, together with all materials filed with the Complaint and any relevant documents otherwise in the possession of AWSA to the party(ies) against whom the Complaint has been filed (the "Respondent(s)").

Following receipt of the Complaint, the Executive Committee shall promptly designate a Hearing Panel (which may be the Executive Committee itself) to investigate and decide the Complaint (subject to ratification or amendment of the Hearing Panel's decision by the American Water Ski Association Board of Directors. The parties shall be given notice of the hearing panel appointees, and a reasonable opportunity to object to any hearing panel appointees because of any conflicts of interest or actual bias or prejudice. The Hearing Panel shall designate a chair to preside over all matters and hearings relating to the Complaint. If the Hearing Panel determines that any individual(s) not listed as either as a Complainant or Respondent are interested parties to whom notice of the proceedings (and an opportunity to be added or intervene as a party) should be given, the Hearing Panel Chair shall provide notice of the proceedings (which shall include a copy of the complaint and all other materials and relevant documents to the third-party(ies); the third-party(ies) shall thereafter inform the Hearing Panel of their intent to participate in the proceedings within a time period established by the Hearing Panel, except that the proceedings shall continue even in the absence of any such third-party(ies) who do not give notice of their intent to participate.

Throughout all such proceedings, all parties shall have the right to submit additional relevant documents for consideration by the Hearing Panel. Copies of all materials provided by any party, or any other communications, shall be provided to all other parties, and there shall be no *ex parte* communications between the parties and the Hearing Panel. All parties, including any affected or intervening party, shall be eligible to participate fully in the proceedings, including any hearing. All parties, including any affected or intervening party, shall be bound by the decision of the Hearing Panel, even if she/he chooses not to participate, subject only to the ratification or amendment of the Hearing Panel's decision by the American Water Ski Association Board of Directors.

3. Administration.

The Complaint and all proceedings relating thereto shall generally be administered consistent with the principles of due process for such proceedings as set forth in the USA-WSWS Bylaws and related Policies and Procedures.

The Hearing Panel shall provide a written report of its decision, and the basis therefor, to the American Water Ski Association President, with a copy to the Executive Committee and USA-WSWS Executive Director. Upon receipt of the decision, the President shall present the decision at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors (or a special meeting of the Board of Directors, if determined necessary by the Executive Committee). At that Board of Directors meeting, the interested parties (including any intervening third-party(ies)) shall have the opportunity to provide written and oral presentations as to why they believe the Hearing Panel's decision should be ratified or amended, following procedures as established by the Executive Committee. After considering the matter, the Board of Directors shall ratify the Hearing Panel's decision or may (upon a two-thirds vote of the directors in attendance) amend the decision. The Board of Director's decision may be made in writing, or may be made a part of the minutes of the meeting, and shall be deemed final when made, and the time for filing any appeal from the Board of Director's decision shall commence when that decision is made. The President shall notify the interested parties (including any intervening third-party(ies)) of the decision of the Board of Directors.

4. Appeals.

Any appeal from a decision of the American Water Ski Association Board of Directors resulting in any membership restriction, suspension or termination shall be to the USA-WSWS Judicial Committee in accordance with Article IX of the USA-WSWS' Bylaws.

Any appeal from any other decision of the American Water Ski Association Board of Directors shall be through the appeals arbitration process established and maintained by the **United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee**.

5. Other Complaints.

USA-WSWS shall have the sole and exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all other complaints, which shall be administered as set forth in Article IX of USA-WSWS' Bylaws and related Policies and Procedures.

ARTICLE XIV – INDEMNIFICATION

- A. The members of the Board, as a board and individually, and the members of each permanent standing committee, as a committee and individually, are specifically held harmless by AWSA and USA-WSWS and its membership for all actions taken in good faith on behalf of AWSA and USA-WSWS, including omissions, unless found culpable in a court of law of willful malfeasance, illegal activity or gross negligence, in which case AWSA and/or USA-WSWS shall be entitled to recover any payments, costs or expenses incurred in the defense, compromise or settlement of any claims or suits against such member prior to such finding.
- D. USA-WSWS hereby indemnifies its Officers, Board members and AWSA members, individually and in their official capacities, for any liability incurred as a result of their positions in the organization or actions taken on behalf of the organization subject to exclusions and inclusions detailed in the USA-WSWS Bylaws.

ARTICLE XV - AMENDMENTS

- A. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by either (i) any three members of the Board; or (ii) written petition of a majority of the Board members of a Regional Council Board or the Athletes Advisory Council; or (iii) written petition signed by at least one and one-half percent (1 ½%) of the voting members of AWSA in good standing.
- B. Proposed amendments shall be presented to the AWSA Bylaws Committee, in writing, at least sixty (60) days before a scheduled Board meeting. Proposed amendments shall be voted upon by the Board only at scheduled Board meetings.
- C. The Board shall designate, in its policies and procedures, how proposed amendments shall be presented.
- D. Unless withdrawn, proposed amendments which have been submitted less than sixty (60) days and circulated less than thirty (30) days in advance of meetings at which such matters would otherwise be considered shall automatically be placed on the agenda for action at the next meeting of the Board which is at least thirty (30) days after the date of mailing of such proposed amendment.
- E. Amendments to these bylaws may be adopted after:
 - 1. Approval by the Board with a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote, and
 - 2. Approval by the USA-WSWS Board.
- F. Amendments shall be communicated to the membership sixty (60) days prior to their effective date and shall become effective on that date unless a referendum is called on the amendment, in which case the amendment shall take effect only upon approval by the general membership of USA-WSWS as follows:
 - 1. Members in good standing who are eligible to vote may call a referendum on any amendment to these bylaws which has been adopted by the Board, as set forth above, by filing a petition calling for such a referendum signed by five percent (5%) of the members in good standing of AWSA as reflected on the membership rolls as of the end of the most recent membership year. Failure to obtain signatures from five percent (5%) of the members in good standing shall render the referendum null and void, and the amendment shall take effect as though there had been no attempt to call a referendum.
 - 2. Within sixty (60) days of an effective referendum call, USA-WSWS shall mail to all members in good standing a ballot which shall include all information required to accompany a proposed amendment under Section C of this Article along with a statement by the Board describing its reasons for supporting the amendment, and a similar statement by the members responsible for the petition describing their reasons for opposing the amendment. The ballot shall provide space for members to approve or disapprove the amendment adopted by the Board and shall state that it must be received by AWSA within thirty (30) days of the date of mailing by AWSA to be considered.
 - 3. The vote of a majority of those members returning ballots to the USA-WSWS national offices within thirty (30) days of the date such ballots were mailed by AWSA shall carry the decision. Upon approval by a majority of those members returning ballots, the amendment shall become effective immediately. Upon disapproval by a majority of those members returning ballots, the Board's adoption of the same shall be nullified and the proposed amendment shall be defeated.

ARTICLE XVI - DISSOLUTION

AWSA may dissolve only by an affirmative vote of the AWSA Board and the Regional Council Boards in the manner and proportions described below. Each member of the Board and each Regional Council shall be given notice of a special meeting called for the purpose of dissolution in the manner prescribed herein for special meetings. At a special meeting of the Board, three-quarters (3/4) of all then current directors must approve the proposed dissolution. Within ninety (90) days following Board approval of the dissolution, two-thirds (2/3) of all Regional Council Board members, either voting by mail or in person at the called meeting, must approve the proposed dissolution. In the event of dissolution, the disposal of the assets of AWSA shall devolve upon the Board. No part of the assets, income, or net earnings of AWSA shall inure to the benefit of any AWSA members or Directors or any other individual.

ARTICLE XVII - SAVINGS CLAUSE

Failure of literal or complete compliance with any provision of the Bylaws or Policies and Procedures in respect of dates and times of notice, or the sending or receipt of the same, or errors in phraseology of notice of proposals, which in the judgment of the Board at meetings held do not cause substantial injury to the rights of members, shall not invalidate the actions or proceedings of the members at any meeting.

ARTICLE XVIII - FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE XIX - POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Policies and Procedures shall be established and amended by a 2/3 vote of the Board, and when applicable, shall direct Board actions. These Policies and Procedures shall not be in conflict with these Bylaws or the USA-WSWS Bylaws and/or USA-WSWS Policies and Procedures.

ARTICLE XX - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern AWSA in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order AWSA may adopt.

These Bylaws supersede all previous Bylaws of the American Water Ski Association.

As PROPOSED: January 30, 2021

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

AMERICAN WATER SKI ASSOCIATION

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AWSA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

1.0 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Policies and Procedures shall be established and amended by the Board, and when applicable, shall direct Board actions. These Policies and Procedures shall not be in conflict with AWSA Bylaws.

2.0 MEMBERSHIP

2.1 Associate Membership.

- A Associate Members are USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (USA-WSWS) members that compete, officiate, and/or participate in AWSA events and programs, but are not “full members”
- B Associate members are eligible for all benefits of membership unless specifically limited elsewhere in the Bylaws or these Policies and Procedures;
- C Associate Members 18 years of age or older shall have voting privileges;
- D Associate Members shall pay the same fees as full members;
- E Regional Executive Vice Presidents shall have the authority to grant Associate Memberships on a calendar year basis.

2.2 Regional Organization

A state, territory or possession may transfer from one Region to another contiguous Region via the following procedure:

1. A recommendation, from either the transferring or receiving Region shall be submitted to the Board. To be considered by the Board, this recommendation must have 2/3 approval of both Regional Council's.
2. The Board shall vote to “initiate” the transfer process and this vote requires 2/3 approval of the Board.
3. Upon Board approval, the Bylaws Committee shall create a ballot and cause this ballot to be published in the official publication of the organization.
4. Active USA-WSWS members, in the affected state, territory or possession, which have designated AWSA as a sports division, are eligible to vote. Votes will be due 45 days from the publication date of the official publication the ballot is placed in.
5. The President shall appoint a tellers committee to receive, count and validate the ballots.
6. The vote shall reflect the approval/disapproval of the transfer. Approval requires an affirmative vote on 2/3 of the ballots cast.
7. Upon approval of the recommendation to transfer the state, territory or possession from one Region to another shall be placed on the agenda for the next scheduled Board meeting.
8. The transfer shall become effective upon a 2/3 affirmative vote by the Board (see Article IV Section B) and on a date specified by the Board.
9. Upon approval, the Bylaws committee shall effect appropriate changes in the AWSA and affected Region(s) bylaws.

New states, territories or possessions shall be placed in the nearest (geographically) Region by 2/3 vote of the Board.

2.3 Affiliate Organizations

2.3.1 Affiliate Members are clubs, water ski industry trade associations, or other organizations involved in water skiing. Affiliates must have charters and/or bylaws that support the purposes of AWSA and enhance water skiing. An affiliation shall only entitle the club, association or organization to those rights specifically granted by the Board in the resolution granting the affiliation, subject to payment of fees set from time to time by the Board

2.3.2 Current Affiliates and Rights Granted-None

2.4 Definition of “Elite Athlete”

2.4.1.1 Elite athletes are defined as athletes selected by the Athlete Advisory Council to represent the athletes on the AWSA Board and committees.

2.4.1.2 At time of election, elite athletes shall have demonstrated their qualifications as athletes as **Elite Athlete or Elite + 10 Athlete as defined in the USA-WSWS Bylaws**

- 3.1 AWSA members may count time served on the AWSA NGB BOD as time served on the AWSA SD BOD for the purpose of complying with USA-WSWS Article VI-A-2(a) which states that USA-WSWS Directors must have served no less than two full years on the SD BOD, as a voting member, to be eligible for election to the USA-WSWS BOD.
- 3.2 Regional elections for the USA-WSWS Director shall be staggered as follows:
The East, Midwest and South Regions will hold elections in ODD numbered years and the Director's term will start January 1 of EVEN numbered years.
The South Central and West Regions will hold elections in EVEN numbered years and the Director's term will start January 1 of ODD numbered years.
- 3.3 Effective January 2018, the number of AWSA director seats on the USA-WSWS Board of Directors will be controlled by Article VIII section A 2 of the AWSA Bylaws. Each year, at the summer AWSA Board meeting, the Board shall elect sufficient Directors, from the regionally elected USA-WSWS Directors, to fill allocated seats. At the January 2019 meeting of the AWSA board it was approved to select the nominees utilizing an alternating regional process. Commencing with the preparation of the slate of nominees for election in 2019 for seating in 2020 the Nominating Committee SHALL use the following table to determine the nominees for the open seats.

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Seated	W	SC	E	S	MW	W	SC	E	S	MW
Seated	MW	W	SC	E	S	MW	W	SC	E	S
Seated	S	MW	W	SC	E	S	MW	W	SC	E
Alternate	E	S	MW	W	SC	E	S	MW	W	SC
Alternate	SC	E	S	MW	W	SC	E	S	MW	W

4 REGIONAL DIRECTORS

4.3 Regional National Director Qualifications

4.3.1 Mandatory Qualifications of Candidates for Board membership must possess:

1. U.S. Citizenship
2. Current valid USA-WSWS and AWSA membership

In addition, they must meet two (2) of the following qualifications:

3. Current or previous AWSA Director
4. Current or previous voting member on an AWSA Standing Committee
5. Current or previous voting member of an AWSA Regional Council
6. Current AWSA: Regular or Senior Judge, Scorer, or Driver; Technical Controller; or Regional or National Safety Director.

B. Desirable Qualifications: In addition, the following background factors are to be considered as desirable for Board membership, and are to serve as guidelines for Regional Elections:

1. Ability to travel and attend AWSA Board meetings
2. Good knowledge of the functions of AWSA
3. Good organizational background
4. Good character and personality traits
5. Ability to communicate well
6. No conflicts of interest
7. Active in the sport of water skiing in some capacity

5 ATHLETE ADVISORY COUNCIL DIRECTORS

5.3 Qualifications of an Athlete to be an AWSA AAC Director:

- 5.3.1 U S citizen
- 5.3.2 Current member of USA-WSWS and AWSA
- 5.3.3 Elite Athlete or Elite + 10 Athlete as defined in the USA-WSWS Bylaws

6 HONORARY NATIONAL DIRECTORS

- 6.1 AWSA NGB voting Directors and elected Officers shall be credited for their years of service on the AWSA NGB Board as if all service years had been on the AWSA Sport Discipline Board.
- 6.2 Article V Section 3 rewritten and approved January 24, 2015 has an effective date of August 1, 2014.

7 AFFILIATED ORGANIZATION DIRECTORS

- 6.2 Each such organization so approved shall be allowed one Director with voice and no vote. Each organization may appoint an Alternate who may attend Board meetings but shall have voice only in the absence of the Director from that same organization.

8 ELECTRONIC BALLOTING PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 8.1 The author of an issue for board consideration shall present the issue in resolution form to the Chairman of the Board for processing by the board. The resolution shall contain the following information:
- A. Title of the resolution
 - B. Specific wording of the issue being presented
 - C. Proposed date that the issue will be effective i.e. immediately upon approval of the ballot, 1st day of the next calendar year, etc.
 - D. Relevant and pertinent documentation and data supporting the issue
- 8.2 The Chairman of the Board shall present the resolution, in electronic form, to the board for a discussion period of ten (10) days.
- 8.3 At the end of the discussion period, the author will review the discussion of the board and may revise the resolution to reflect the input of the board, then have the resolution re-presented to the board for further discussion, again with a ten (10) day discussion period or have the Chairman proceed to a Ballot using the original or revised wording of the issue. This decision will be the choice of the author without undue bias.
- 8.4 The Chairman of the Board shall prepare a Ballot, in electronic form, to be sent to the board for voting that meets the criteria outlined in section 8.1 A- D and is approved by the author of the issue. The time span for the Directors to vote on the Ballot shall be set by the Chairman.
- 8.5 The votes shall be counted as noted in Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised in the following manner:
- A. Yes votes will signify approval of the Ballot.
 - B. Measures must pass by the appropriate amount of affirmative votes cast on the issue from among those eligible to vote.
- 8.6 Upon receiving the votes of the board, the Chairman shall send by electronic mail the results of the voting for review by the board. The Directors shall have a period of five (5) days to review and verify/change their vote on the Ballot after which the Ballot will be considered ratified and placed in effect on the date approved in the Ballot. If a Director does not respond to the Ballot voting review, the Chairman shall assume that their vote has been recorded correctly.
- 8.7 The Chairman shall send to the Executive Director the Ballot as presented and the voting record, whether approved or disapproved, for inclusion in the official records of AWSA.

9 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- 9.1 The President appoints committee members and the committee chair. Each Region and the AAC shall make membership recommendations for the President's consideration. These recommendations shall be predicated on those who are best qualified and who have the desire to serve. The President will consider such recommendations but will not be bound by them.
- 9.2 Standing Committee appointments require Board approval.
- 9.3 Standing committees- require AAC participation. The following committees require **33 1/3%** AAC membership and voting power.
- Executive
 - Bylaws
 - Nominating
 - International Activities
 - Rules
 - Seeding
 - Skiers Qualification
- 9.4 Special committees- the President may appoint members irrespective of regional representation, and athlete participation is recommended. The Committee Chairman can be a voting or non

voting member of the committee. The Chairman must be a Regional or AAC representative on the committee to have a vote.

10 COMMITTEE OPERATION

10.1 Term

- A The term of the Executive and Towboat Committees is one year and starts with adjournment of the Summer Board meeting.
- B The term of all other standing committees is one year and starts with adjournment of the Annual Board meeting in January.
- C The term of special committees is determined by the Officer establishing the committee.

10.2 Committee Reports and Recommendations

- A Committees shall work on issues and projects as directed by the Board, an Officer, the Bylaws and P & P's or those identified by the committee.
- B The final report of the committee shall take the form of a recommendation(s) to the Board. Recommendations shall be submitted to the USA-WSWS Executive Director and by him to the President and members of the Board.
- C Recommendations require a two-thirds approval of the committee before submittal to the Board for approval or adoption.
- D Generally, the Committee Chair or his designated representative shall present the committee's report in person at scheduled Board meetings.

10.3 Official Committee documents, including but not limited to: Board Reports, Manuals, Disciplinary Action Documents, etc, shall be maintained by the USA-WSWS Executive Director. Committee chairmen shall maintain the balance of the Committee's files including documentation of committee votes.

11 STANDING COMMITTEES – DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

11.1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall review all matters pertaining to the AWSA Budget and shall submit a complete budget report and recommendations for AWSA Board consideration and action. They shall review and make recommendations on all matters of a financial nature involving AWSA. They shall present strategies and goals to the AWSA Board for consideration and action.

Membership:

The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman of the Board, the President, the Vice President, the Treasurer, up to five at large members appointed by the President, and other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. A majority of the Executive Committee shall be voting members of the Board. This committee shall have representation from each Region. The Executive Director (or his delegate) and the immediate past President, shall be non-voting ex-officio members.

Responsibilities:

Between Board meetings, the committee is authorized to take administrative action only, with respect to policies adopted and decisions made, by the Board, as it may deem necessary and advisable in order to implement such policies and decisions and to expedite the orderly transaction of the business of the AWSA.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote. The objective is to meet in person at least every three months or by electronic teleconferencing.

The Board, at its next scheduled meeting, shall review for approval, all of the actions taken by the Executive Committee.

11.2 BOAT DRIVERS RATING AND QUALIFICATION COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall put into place (subject to Board approval), review, modify as necessary, and oversee the certification, maintenance, and education programs for all current and aspiring AWSA rated Boat Drivers with

the goal of assuring adequate numbers and increasing the expertise of these volunteers as well as the opportunities available to them to serve and to maintain their skills.

Membership:

There shall be one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with the Towboat, Officials' Maintenance, National Junior Development, International Activities, Technical, and Safety Committees to provide input in creating and implementing programs and activities that not only impact the Boat Drivers directly but also the athletes and their development in every area.

Rules Jurisdiction:

See Committee Jurisdiction Table in 10.7 Rules

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee may grant exceptions to rating maintenance requirements by vote on a case by case basis in the event that a hardship has unreasonably affected the ability of a driver to meet those requirements in a given season. Each regional representative shall be responsible for the approval of instructors and examiners for clinics and testing within that region.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The objective is to meet in person at least every three years.

11.3 BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall review and maintain the AWSA Bylaws and the AWSA Policies and Procedures Manual. They will make recommendations for changes in these documents to the AWSA Board of Directors.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power.

At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee will review the Bylaws of AWSA to ensure that they meet the criteria and standards of the AWSA and are in compliance with and not in conflict with the USA-WSWS Bylaws.

The committee will review the Bylaws of the AWSA Regions to ensure that they meet the criteria and standards of the AWSA and are in compliance with and not in conflict with the AWSA Bylaws.

The committee will review the AWSA Policy and Procedures Manual to ensure that it provides the proper support, explanations and interpretations of the policies and procedures used on a daily basis and as a complimentary addition to the AWSA Bylaws.

The committee shall perform such duties with respect to the AWSA and Regional Bylaws, AWSA Policy and Procedures Manual and related matters as the Board may direct.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval.

11.4 INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Purpose:

This will be the principal committee dealing with all aspects of American Water Ski Association participation in International competitions and our relations with organizations such as the International Water Ski Federation, the Pan American Sports Organization and the United States Olympic Committee. They shall make

recommendations to the Executive Committee and to the Board of Directors regarding policies and procedures governing our participation in International competition.

Membership:

There shall be at least two representatives from each Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with the Executive, Junior Development, Boat Drivers, Judges & Scorers Qualification and Skiers Rating Committee's in coordinating the efforts to provide competent officials and competitors to international competitions. They shall also work closely with the **USOPC** through the USA-WSWS Headquarters staff to coordinate the financial grants to support our training and competition programs that support the international teams that we train and select for international competitions. They shall work with the USA-WSWS Headquarters staff to provide input into the review of all aspects of international activities, to assure consistency with the requirements of the Board of Directors, USA-WSWS, IWWF, PASO and **USOPC**. They will make recommendations to the AWSA Board of Directors where conflicting requirements exist. They shall have complete oversight over all representatives of AWSA participating in international competitions, including skiers, officials, coaches, managers, and other members of the official AWSA delegation.

Program Jurisdiction:

The Committee shall review and make recommendations, together with other committees as appropriate, regarding matters being brought before USA-WSWS, IWWF, PASO, the **USOPC**, and others that impact our participation in international competition. They shall establish procedures for the selection of water ski teams or individual skiers who shall be the officially sponsored representatives of the AWSA in competitions designated as international by this committee. In such international competitions, the committee shall be responsible for all related activities, including selection of officials, team managers, coaches and assistants, as it may deem necessary, and selection of AWSA teams and/or individual skiers, subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The Committee shall meet in person twice each year.

11.5 JUDGES AND SCORERS' QUALIFICATION COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall implement, review, modify and oversee the certification and education programs for all current and aspiring AWSA certified Judges and Scorers, with the goal of increasing both the number of Judges and Scorers and the expertise of these volunteers, as well as the opportunities available to them to work in their capacity.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with other AWSA Committees and USA-WSWS HQ to provide input in creating and implementing programs and activities that not only impact the Judges and Scorers directly but also the athletes and their development in every area.

Rules:

See Committee Jurisdiction Table in 10.7 Rules

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee shall have responsibility to host the annual National Senior Judges and Scorers clinic, as well as such other Judges and Scorers' education and testing programs and clinics as may be offered or scheduled from time-to-time. Each regional representative shall be responsible for the approval of instructors and examiners for clinics and testing within that region.

The committee may grant exceptions to rating maintenance requirements by vote on a case by case basis in the event that a hardship has unreasonably affected the ability of a Judge or Scorer to meet those requirements in a given season.

Specific Policies and Practices Governing the Committee:

Committee decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The committee shall attempt to meet in person at least once every three years.

11.6 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall seek qualified candidates for the offices of Chairman, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at-large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee, after careful study of the qualifications of the candidates, shall present a slate of nominees for the offices of Chairman, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer to the Board of Directors. The committee shall also present the slate of nominees for the USA-WSWS Director seating per section 3 in this P & P Manual.

The Committee Chair shall conduct the election of Officers at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. The committee shall make recommendations to the Board for the Honorary National Director candidates' confirmation.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval.

11.7 RULES COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall put into place (subject to Board approval), review, modify as necessary and oversee the competition rules governing AWSA Sanctioned Tournaments with the goal of providing a fair competition for all of the athlete's entered. They shall review the IWWF Rules with the goal of attaining compatibility for the overall competitions held in a combined sanction tournament, so that the athletes can compete without conflicting requirements.

Membership:

There shall be at least two representatives from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work to facilitate the timely preparation and issuance of an Official Tournament Rulebook. The Rules Committee shall receive, edit and compile the relevant materials from the various other rule book committees covering their respective areas of the AWSA Tournament Rules for which each said committee is responsible. The committee shall be responsible for the preparation of a set of rules and requirements governing competition in AWSA sanctioned tournaments, and for the interpretation of the Official Tournament Rules, subject to the approval of the Board. The committee shall be responsible for reviewing the Rulebook's of the AWSA and IWWF and recommending changes in the rules to the two organizations for a compatible wording and interpretation of the application of specific rules.

Committee Jurisdiction Table – Check Rulebook For A More Specific Definition of Chart

Rule	Rule Description	Jurisdiction
1	General	Rules

1.14	Tournament Events, etc.	Rules & Technical
2	Tournament Events, etc.	Rules
3	Division Competition Ratings	Rules & Skiers Qualification
4	Tournament Qualifications	Rules & Skiers Qualification
5	Overall & Team Competition	Rules & Skiers Qualification
6	Officials	Judges & Scorer, Boat Drivers, Safety & Technical
7	Re-rides, Protests & Disqualification	Rules
8	Equipment & Definitions	Technical, Rules, Towboat
9	Jumping	Rules & Technical
10	Slalom	Rules & Technical
11	Tricks	Rules & Technical
12	Safety Requirements	Safety
13	Optional Tournament Formats	Rules
14	Records	Rules & Technical
15	Record Capability Tournaments	Rules, Technical & IWWF
16	Cash Prize Tournaments	AWSA Executive Committee AWSA Board of Directors
17	Ski Flying	Rules & Technical
Appendix	Rules Interpretations	Rules
Appendix	Optional 2-Segment Timing Rules	Rules
Appendix	IWWF/AWSA Rule Differences	Rules
Appendix	Officials Development Program	All Officials Committees
Appendix	Tow Line Dimensions	Technical
Appendix	Official Slalom Course Diagram	Technical
Appendix	Slalom Scoring	Rules
Appendix	Tow-pylon Specifications Diagram	Technical
Appendix	Official Jump Course Diagram	Technical
Appendix	Ramp Setting Chart	Technical
Appendix	Computer Bench Mark Meters	Technical
Appendix	Computer Bench Mark Calculations	Technical
Appendix	Official Trick Course	Technical
Appendix	Trick Speed Calibration Times	Technical
Appendix	Trick Description & Point Values	Rules
Appendix	Tournament Classification Requirements	AWSA & IWWF
Appendix	Speed Control Parameter Adjustment Chart	Rules & Towboat
Appendix	Jump Timing Tables	Technical
Appendix	Slalom Timing Tables	Technical
Appendix	Rules Jurisdiction Chart	AWSA Board of Directors & Rules

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The committee shall meet in person in the fall of each year.

11.8 SAFETY COMMITTEE**Purpose:**

The committee shall put into place, (subject to Board approval) review, modify as necessary and oversee the certification and education programs for all current and aspiring AWSA rated Safety Directors with the goal of increasing both the numbers and the expertise of these volunteers as well as the opportunities available to them to work in their capacity.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with the concerned AWSA Committees and USA-WSWS to provide input in creating and implementing programs and activities that not only impact the Safety Directors directly, but also the athletes and their safety in every area.

Risk Management, which is the management of the risks involved in the competitions of our athletes, shall be the primary concern of the committee.

Rules Jurisdiction:

See Committee Jurisdiction Table in 10.7 Rules

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee is responsible for all Board approved AWSA Safety Committee produced safety materials and the AWSA Official Safety Manual and Policy Handbook.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval.

11.9 SEEDING COMMITTEE**Purpose:**

The committee shall establish a computerized AWSA Skier Standings List for the United States from the information contained in the Tournament Scorebooks, to be used as directed by the Board.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

They shall study the performance data of all of the athletes and develop formulas from the data that will provide the best performance oriented competitions for the athletes. They shall attempt to meet all deadlines as required for the IWWF Standings List data submission.

Rules Jurisdiction:

See Committee Jurisdiction Table in 10.7 Rules

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee shall seed the National Tournament based on an evaluation of the skiing skills and performances of contestants in tournaments from the current skiing year, so that the order of contestants will be arranged in an ascending order to provide for the best skier competing last.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval.

11.10 SKIERS QUALIFICATION COMMITTEE**Purpose:**

The committee shall establish, review and modify as necessary proficiency standards for the classification of skiers; and shall prescribe the procedure and forms of evidencing such classification, subject to approval of the Board. They will set the standards to be attained in each of the ranking levels on the AWSA Ranking List so that the athletes can attain performance standards that will allow them to advance to higher level competitions and performance standards.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with the following AWSA Committees, National Junior Development, Seeding and the Athlete Advisory committees. They shall provide input in creating and implementing ranking level requirements that not only impact the athletes directly, but also contributes to their development in every area.

Rules Jurisdiction:

See Committee Jurisdiction Table in 10.7 Rules

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee has jurisdiction over the Skiers' Qualification & Classification Standard AWSA Ranking List, the Nationals Overall Performance Standard, the Collegiate Rating equivalencies, and the specific rule book sections dedicated to the committee.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The committee will review the ranking levels each year.

All ranking level changes approved by the Board of Directors shall be effective on the first skiing day after the National Water Championships of the current calendar year.

11.11 TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**Purpose:**

The committee shall (with board approval) implement, review, modify and oversee the certification and education programs for all current and aspiring AWSA certified Technical Controllers, with the goal of increasing both the number of Technical Controllers and the expertise of these volunteers, as well as the opportunities available to them to work in their capacity.

The committee shall put into place, (subject to Board approval) review, modify as necessary and oversee the technical rules governing AWSA Sanctioned Tournaments with the goal of providing a fair competition for all of the athlete's entered. They shall conduct studies for the purpose of developing improved jump measuring devices, course layouts, any electronic timing devices useful to the sport, skiing equipment, and perform such other related studies as the Board may direct, submitting its recommendations to the Board for approval.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of 33 1/3% representation in both numbers and voting. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work to facilitate the timely preparation and issuance of the technical requirements required in all AWSA Tournament competitions. The Technical Committee shall receive, edit and compile the relevant technical materials from the various other (rule book) committees covering their respective areas of the AWSA Tournament Rules for which each said committee is responsible. Shall be responsible for the preparation of a set of technical specifications and requirements governing competition sites in AWSA sanctioned tournaments subject to the approval of the Board.

The Chairman of the committee shall be responsible for assuring the validity of all water ski records submitted to AWSA. He shall set up policies and procedures by which this may be done either by himself or by other qualified persons designated by him and approved by the committee to review such records. Procedures are subject to review and approval of the board.

Rules Jurisdiction:

See Committee Jurisdiction Table in 10.7 Rules

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee will design and maintain the Jump, Trick and Slalom Record forms and other matters of a technical nature relating to the sport.

The Technical Chairman, after review by the committee, shall make his recommendations concerning all National Records to the AWSA President for approval or disapproval.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board approval. It is recommended that the committee meet in person each year.

11.12 TOWBOAT COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The Towboat Committee shall establish performance and safety guidelines for towboats used in AWSA events. It shall also develop policy for towboat participation in AWSA sanctioned events, subject to Board approval.

Membership:

There shall be one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President of AWSA, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. The committee shall also have non-voting representation from the Chair of the Boat Drivers Committee. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

- a. Establish towboat specifications (per Rule 8 guidelines), safety and performance standards for towboats used in AWSA events.
- b. Establish testing procedures and standards for the AWSA Towboat approval program.
- c. Administer the annual AWSA Towboat tests.
- d. Maintain and update the AWSA Towboat Policy Manual.
- e. Work in conjunction with the AWSA Boat Drivers and Technical Committees.
- f. Coordinate communications with towboat manufacturers.

Program Jurisdiction:

The committee has responsibility for the AWSA Towboat program and shall maintain the AWSA Towboat Policy Manual.

Specific Policies and Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 majority vote and is subject to Board approval. The committee shall meet in person twice a year.

12.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEES– DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

12.1 AWARDS COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall administer all of the Awards available to the membership of AWSA.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall review the qualifications and selection of all of the candidates for each Award available to the membership of AWSA and prepare a list of the committee selected recipients for each Award available, for presentation to the Board of Directors for approval.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval.

12.2 NATIONAL COACHES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall (with board approval) implement, review, modify and oversee the certification and education programs for all current and aspiring AWSA certified Instructors and Coaches, with the goal of increasing both the number of participants and the expertise of these volunteers as well as the opportunities available to them to work in their capacity.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with the AWSA National Junior Development, AWSA International Activities, AWSA Technical, AWSA Safety, and USA-WSWS headquarters to provide input in creating and implementing programs and activities that not only impact the coaches directly, but also the athletes and their development, including the selection of coaches for these programs and activities.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The objective is to meet in person at least every three years.

12.3 JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Purpose:

The committee shall (with board approval) put into place, review, modify as necessary and oversee the certification and education programs for all of the Junior (under 18 yr.) Athletes, with the goal of increasing both the numbers and the expertise of these athletes. This should be accomplished through programs at the local, regional, national and international levels.

Membership:

There shall be at least one representative from each AWSA Region as selected by the Regional Executive Vice Presidents and approved by the President, with other members appointed by the Athlete Advisory Committee, which will maintain a minimum of **33 1/3%** representation in both numbers and voting power. At the discretion of the AWSA President, at large members may also be appointed (non-voting).

Responsibilities:

The committee shall work closely with the USA-WSWS, **USOPC** and USA-WSWS Committees and USA-WSWS headquarters to provide input in creating and implementing programs and activities that not only impact the athletes directly but also their development in every area. The committee will, when appropriate, work with the USA-WSWS Headquarters staff to secure the resources of the **United States Olympic Committee USOPC**.

Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee:

Decisions shall be made by a 2/3 vote and is subject to Board Approval. The objective is to meet in person every year.

13.0 USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

- 13.1 When the AWSA has the opportunity to place a representative(s) on a USA-WSWS standing or special committee, the President shall make the appointment, and these representatives shall be "full members" in good standing. Appointments require Board approval.
- 13.2 When the appointment is to a committee where AWSA also has a committee, standing or special, generally the President shall appoint the AWSA Committee Chair.
- 13.3 When the appointment is to a committee where AWSA has no committee, the President shall canvas the Regions for candidates. The President will consider such recommendations but will not be bound by them.
- 13.4

14.0 AMENDMENTS

14.1 Amendments to these Policy and Procedures require approval by two thirds (2/3) of the Board.

15.0 COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION FORMAT

1. Purpose
2. Membership
3. Responsibilities
4. Rules Jurisdiction (if applicable)
5. Program Jurisdiction (if applicable)
6. Specific Policies or Practices Governing the Committee

AWSA JUDGES & SCORERS COMMITTEE REPORT

2021 WINTER BOARD MEETING

To: AWSA Board of Directors
From: Tom Nathan, Chairman

ISSUES FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION

A. **ACTION ITEM:** [Eliminate 5-year requirement for Senior Judges to become Pan Am Judges.](#)

The current Judges and Scorers Policy Manual indicates that after becoming a Senior Judge, one “must have held a Senior Judge rating for a minimum of five (5) years and have significant experience at class L & R tournaments.” There is no such requirement from the Pan Am Federation, and for some countries the Pan Am rating is the first and only available officials rating one has available to them. To become a Pan Am Judge, one “must take written and practical exams, more extensive and challenging than those for Senior Judge, to become certified by the Pan Am Tournament Council of IWWF.” [The committee recommends removal of the 5-year requirement for Senior Judges to become Pan Am Judges.](#)

B. **ACTION ITEM:** [Require “real-time” scoring at all Record Capability Tournaments.](#)

The increased use of technology at sanctioned events has improved tournament function. Video and data recording provide opportunity for more accurate judging for all three events. Subsequent review is often predicated on having a determined reference point- specifically a known date/time stamp. Subsequent review is hampered when the reference point is obscure or unknown. It has become a necessity to have all “technology” synchronized with date/time so that camera displays, video recordings, boat path measurement and WSTIMS tournament data are all in alignment. This is a collective issue for Judges & Scorers, Drivers, and Technical Controllers policies. To be decided is whether this should be individually listed in the respective policy manuals or stated in the AWSA rule book. [This committee recommends a requirement that scoring at record capability tournaments be done in “real-time”.](#)

C. **ACTION ITEM:** [Additional condition for Fast-Track Options.](#)

There is an increasing frequency of Fast Track use by members. That has helped identify an issue that is creating additional unnecessary workload for headquarters staff. Some use their Level 8 ranking to automatically become an assistant judge then fail to meet renewal requirements – only to Fast Track again. Some use the Fast Track process to upgrade to Regular or Senior with the same failure to meet renewal requirements, which then follows with downgrades and eventual loss of rating. All this requires headquarters staff time to maintain. We believe that limiting the number of times one can use this option will help encourage those members using it to keep/maintain those ratings. [The committee recommends the Fast-Track Options include a condition that it may be utilized only once every ten \(10\) years.](#)

D. **ACTION ITEM:** [Emeritus Judge application from Mack Sparks – Southern Region](#)

An application has been received by Mack Sparks for Emeritus Judge. Mack meets the requirements for Emeritus, his application was approved by the Southern Region at their winter 2021 council meeting and has also been approved by the Judges & Scorers Committee. [The committee recommends the Board of Directors give final approval to Mack Sparks for Emeritus Judge in slalom, trick, and jump.](#)

CURRENT COMMITTEE ACTIVITY/DISCUSSIONS

- E. The committee was asked to consider allowing a Senior Jump Driver to be able to be a Boat Judge equivalent to a Senior Judge. Part of the reasoning is likened to the approximate equivalent of a boat driver also being used as a boat judge in tricks. With trick, there is a need for an alternative to separate individuals as judge and driver that is created when a driver, videographer and pin person are in the boat together. That is not the case for jump. Also, while there are certainly aspects that a jump driver may have to offer as a boat judge, there is no certainty that some aspects of jump boat judging will be known such as communicating re-ride situations and related options to the skier or judging if a skier lands and skis away in skiing position without falling as defined by the rules. This request appears to be intended for L & R events, which would require IWWF approval. [The committee is not in favor of this proposal.](#)
- F. It appears that the method of calculating Overall scores as described in Rule 5.03 as “first time skied in a division per event = Round #1, second time skied in a division per event = Round #2, etc.” is not consistent with IWWF methodology for calculating Overall scores. Currently, WSTIMS programming follows the AWSA rule description and for each Overall skier places their “first time skied” in round 1 of the scorebook no matter what actual round it was scored/recorded in. At present, there is also no difference in how WSTIMS calculates overall for class C events compared to Class L & R events. I recently had a conversation with Bob Corson regarding this and my impression from him is that any Overall score that were to be reviewed by IWWF would be disallowed if not all skied in the “same round” of the tournament. [Recommendation to review current practice and make recommendations for possible rule and/or WSTIMS programming change to agree with IWWF.](#)

Updating official’s forms, documents and testing materials as needed.

Judges & Scorers statistics for 2021 to be supplied after all changes are recorded at the end of 2020. Several hardships have been approved to help retain current officials.

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Judges & Scorers Committee members remain unchanged for 2021:

	<u>Region</u>	<u>Position</u>
Dean Rudy	East	Member
Kate Knafla	Midwest	Member

Ray Crenshaw	South	Member
Jane Greenwood	South Central	Member
Tom Nathan	West	Chair
Alex Lauretano	AAC	Athlete Rep
Nate Smith	AAC	Athlete Rep
Jim Grew		*Consultant
Melanie Hanson		*Consultant

*non-voting

Junior Development Committee

PROPOSED RULE CHANGES FOR 2021

The AWSA Rules Committee annual meeting was held November 7, 2020 via Zoom.

The members in attendance included:

Richelle Muhlitner, Chair

Ryan Nason, West

Jeff Surdej, MW

Dean Chappell, MW

Gary Noll, East

Dave Allen, East

Bob Harris, South

Jazmine Gagner, South

Bob Mayhew, SC

Lori Krueger, Ath Rep

Alex Lauretano, Ath Rep

Dana Garcia, PanAm Rep

Members not in attendance:

Kathy Ives, SC

Corey Vaughn, Ath Rep

Jim Grew, Consultant

Dave Clark, Consultant

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REGIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation from Southern Region: Eliminate L10 for all divisions/all events. At least eliminate from M6/W6 and up. See Proposal 4

RULE PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL 1: Rule 1.01D Changed some examples of AWSA administrative vs skiing conditions between AWSA and IWWF.

D. IWWF class events (L & R) conducted under USA Water Ski & Wake Sports (USA-WSWS) sanctioning will be conducted administratively by applying AWSA rules and, in instances where skiing conditions are affected, by applying IWWF rules. ~~when different from AWSA.~~

1. The intention is that performances, considered for placement on world ranking lists or for world records, be conducted under conditions identical to events conducted elsewhere in the world (i.e. a level playing field).

2. Examples of administrative issues where AWSA rules would apply:

- a. **Tournament Entry Registration**
- b. Tie breaking rules **at Nationals, Regionals, and State tournaments**
- c. ~~Tow rope specifications or skier supplied allowances.~~
- d. Starting line lengths.

2. Examples of skiing conditions where IWWF rules would prevail:

- a. Trick falls before the course.
- b. **Number of flips scored in a trick run.**
- c. Waiver of conditions encountered in jump.
- d. **Reride actions in jump.**
- e. **Tow Rope specifications.**

Rationale: Still confusion regarding when to use the different sets of rules. Hope this helps. Discussed with Dana Garcia.

Motion to approve-Ryan, second Bob Mayhew. Approved

PROPOSAL 2: 1.13 TOURNAMENT REPORTING Revise the Ranking list function to apply #4 when there are three or more scores but the average of two E/L/R scores doesn't result in a penalty so can be used as the ranking score.

....If the skier has two or more scores, then the Ranking List Score will be the highest of the following possibilities.

1. The best single score with penalty for that one score according to the chart above;
2. The average of the best two scores with penalty for those two scores according to the chart above;
3. The average of the best three scores with no penalty.
4. **The average of the best two Class E/L/R scores.**

Rationale: Since there is no penalty applied to two Class E/L/R scores, those scores can be used for ranking list percentiles.

Motion to approve-Jazmine, second Bob H. Approved

PROPOSAL 3: 1.14 The Escalation Process rule changes were approved at the BOD meeting in Aug 2020.

1.14 Tournament Review - Escalation Process

After the completion of a tournament, if information regarding ***any*** conduct ***during a tournament is raised within 30 days, that concern or issue shall be reported directly to the Chief Judge of the tournament and the Regional EVP. The Chief Judge in consultation with the Appointed Judges (including Pan-Am Judge if applicable) shall review the issue and take appropriate action within 10 days, by responding in writing to the individual who raised the issue and copying and inform the Regional EVP of actions taken.***

~~If the issue is unresolved, The Regional EVP including the Regional Council and Regional AWSA Directors shall review the issue and take appropriate action within 15 days by responding in writing to the individual who raised the issue and copying the AWSA President.~~

The AWSA President can accept the findings of the Regional Council as final or appoint a special committee to review the actions and recommend a course of action for vote by the AWSA Board of Directors.

Actions, at any review level, may include disallowing affected scores, events or the entire competition may be withheld from the ranking lists and/or the sanction for the entire tournament may be downgraded.

The intention of this rule is to assure that appropriate standards of conduct are maintained at tournaments and to assure that only performances conducted using appropriate standards are included in any ranking list. Conduct encountered at a tournament which are in violation of the rules under which the tournament was conducted shall not be tolerated.

This procedure may also be initiated by the Chief Judge of the tournament, the applicable Regional EVP, AWSA President, Chair of the AWSA Rules Committee, the Chair of AWSA Technical Committee, ***Chair of Judges &***

Scorers Committee, or Chair of AWSA Drivers Committee. The process outlined above begins with the Chief Judge and Regional EVP unless they are the subject of the issue or conduct, in which case the first level of review shall escalate to the next level.

Also includes this rule change:

15.06 Technical Requirements

D.1.f. The video/data file shall be uploaded to the AWSA website (Technical Controller Resources – EC Video) as soon as possible (within 7 days is expected) after the competition. Alternatively, the video file can be loaded to a USB thumb drive and forwarded to a designated Regional representative who will upload the file to the AWSA website. The Regional Council may cancel results that do not conform to Rules (1.12) (10.07) and (15.06). In addition, the scorebook and tournament results may be withheld from posting until such time as the video file is uploaded to the website.

Rationale: Due to some circumstances where issues have come up at tournaments this process was instituted so that certain steps are followed to resolve. This was to be used in theory and reviewed after the ski season.

Motion for changes to original document-Ryan, second Gary. Approved

PROPOSAL 4: 3.03 Eliminate L10 for all divisions/all events.

First Vote:(Recommendation from Southern Region) Eliminate L10 for all divisions/all events. At least eliminate from M6/W6 and up.

Discussion: Have discussed many times, but even if eliminated how would this impact skiing twice for overall?

Motion to approve M6/W6 and above-Bob M, second Ryan. Approved

Second Vote Eliminate L10:

Jeff motioned to remove Level 10. There are two areas where is just isn't working for programing and cannot be fixed. Level 9 skiers will still be able to use the ski twice option at Regionals, Nationals or other placement tournaments.

3.03 Elite Division Competition

A. Elite Divisions: There shall be two Elite Divisions of competition:

1. The Open Division may be entered by any skier of any age who is Open Qualified.
 2. The Masters Division may be entered by any skier age 35 or greater who is Masters Qualified.
- B. Open Qualification:
A skier of any age shall be ELIGIBLE to compete in the Open Division in an event (or in Overall) if his ranking score in any reported division for that event equals or exceeds the Level 9 Cutoff ranking score for that event on any date within the ***last twelve months***.
- C. Masters Qualification:
A skier age 35 or greater shall be ELIGIBLE to compete in the Masters Division in an event (or in Overall) if his ranking score in any reported division for that event equals or exceeds the Level 9 Cutoff ranking score for that event on any date within the ***last twelve months***.
- D. Duration:
Skiers will maintain their Level 9 Open or Masters qualification status if their ranking score in any reported division for that event equals or exceeds the Level 9 Cutoff ranking score for that event on any date within the past 12 months.
- E. Elite Overall Provisions:
1. GENERAL: A skier having an OVERALL Elite qualification may compete in the Elite Division in any of the three events, even if an Elite qualification is not held for the individual event.
 2. Skiers, who have an Elite ranking in Overall and wish to compete in Overall, may choose to ski in their age division or in their Elite division for Overall. A skier who is Open qualified ***in one or two events*** and also 35+ (***Masters***) may ski for Overall in the Masters Division, if overall Masters qualified, as an age division skier as defined in rule 3.03F3 and 3.03F4. This applies ONLY to the Masters Division.
 3. TOURNAMENTS WITH PLACEMENT: Skiers with a level 9 qualification in one or two events and skiing in a tournament with placement, such as Regional or National tournaments, and skiing for age division Overall may ski in the Elite division for placement and must also ski a second time in their age division event, for Overall score purposes only, if desiring to compete for age division Overall placement. If skiing for Elite division Overall, skiers may ski in age division for placement in any event and, also ski a second time in the skiers' Elite division in that event for overall score purposes only.
 4. TOURNAMENTS WITHOUT PLACEMENT: At all other tournaments, skiers ***must compete in same division in all three events to attain an overall score***.
- F. Determination of Elite Cutoff Scores:

1. WHEN: The Open and Masters Cutoff ranking scores shall be determined each day, from the distributions of ranking scores in each event on that day.
2. OPEN CUTOFFS: The Open Cutoff (Level 9) ranking score for each event shall be the lowest ranking score in Level 9 as determined by the collection of skiers in that event with ranking scores in the M1, M2, and OM divisions for men and the W1, W2, and OW divisions for women.
3. MASTERS CUTOFFS: The Masters Cutoff (Level 9) ranking score for each event shall be the lowest ranking score in Level 9 of the collection of skiers in that event with ranking scores in the M3, M4 and MM divisions for men, and the W3, W4 and MW divisions for women.
4. GOVERNANCE: The percentile targets for Levels 9 shall be set by the Skiers Qualification Committee in accordance with directives approved by the AWSA board.
5. DUAL RANKINGS: If a particular skier has rankings in more than one of the divisions in either of these collections for an event, that skier shall only be counted once for that collection, with the higher of those scores.

Rationale: There continues to be challenges with computer programming and logistics for the ranking list. While many skiers have approved of the idea of having the top skiers out of the age division ranking list, others felt that it wasn't right to force anyone into that level. Unfortunately, the overall process could not be programmed into the AWSA ranking list. Overall skiers have been happy to have an option to get a chance at overall along with an Elite title which will still stand but now skiers will have to choose which overall they are skiing for at local or ranking list tournaments.

Motion-Jeff, second Bob H. Approved

Motion to eliminate now-Ryan, second Bob H. Approved

PROPOSAL 5: 6.01 National Tournament

A. The Chief Judge, **and** Assistant Chief Judges, ~~and the Qualifications Judge~~ shall be three-event Senior Judges appointed by the AWSA President.

Motion to approve-Ryan, second Lori: Approved

PROPOSAL 6: Rule 6.05

6.05 Disagreement

In any disagreement among judges, the majority rules, and all issues ***shall*** should be settled before the next contestant starts.

Motion to approve-Bob M, second Ryan. Approved

PROPOSAL 7: 9.01, 10.01C, 11.01 Add one minute to each scratched skier at dock under Jump, Slalom and Trick if needed?

Add to 9.01, 10.01C, 11.01: Any contestant who fails to be on immediate hand and in condition to ski when the boat is ready for the contestant shall not be allowed to ski in that round of the event. However, the Chief Judge or his designee, may grant up to three additional minutes for emergencies developing or discovered just prior to the contestant's turn to ski (e.g., ripped binding). ***In the case where a skier has been disqualified or has scratched, a one-minute delay shall be granted to the next skier in the starting order. If more than one skier has been disqualified or has scratched, the time allotted to the next skier shall be one minute for each skier disqualified or scratched.***

Rationale: This could help skiers who might not have been aware that several skiers missed their event causing a "snow ball" effect.

Motion to approve-Jazmine, second Dave A. Approved

PROPOSAL 8: 7.05 Protests

Protests shall be considered only for failure of the tournament committee or the officials to comply with these rules. No protest shall ever be considered on judgment decisions by the judges except as noted in 10.08F and 11.09D ***which are considered challenges.***

Rationale: More clarification that challenges are allowed and not considered protests regarding certain rules.

Motion to approve-Ryan, second Bob M. Approved

PROPOSAL 9: Eliminate rule 9.08F:

~~F. Meter Readers or Masterboard Operator: If using meter stations, rated judges shall be assigned where possible. When not possible, a non-rated, competent person may be used.~~

Rationale: Already moved most of this verbiage to the TC Manual and will move this also.

Motion to approve-Bob M, second Ryan. Approved will send to TC Committee to put into TC Manual.

PROPOSAL 10: 9.13B Scoring Ties: In the case where two or more skiers have the same official score **above zero**, the skier with the longest metric distance (if available) shall be declared the winner. In the event a tie exists, it shall be run off as provided under Rule 9.14.

Rationale: When jumpers have tied with a score of zero there has been the question of whether there should be a runoff or not. By having a score above zero there is no need to runoff since it isn't considered a tie.

Motion to approve-Dave, second Jazmine. Approved

PROPOSAL 11: Remove 9.12A since it says the same thing as 9.03E.

9.03 E The outcome of each attempt shall be communicated to the skier, including the distance and any reride possibilities, before the boat proceeds to any subsequent attempt by the same skier.

~~9.12AThe approximate distance (\pm two feet) shall be communicated to the skier after each scoring jump, before the boat approaches the course for a subsequent jump by that same skier.~~

Rationale: Same intent in different paragraphs, removed one.

Motion to approve-Bob M, second Ryan. Approved

PROPOSAL 12: Same wording in two places makes the intent confusing.

10.06B1. A skier may elect to start at a speed higher than his division maximum speed, up to his respective Open Division maximum speed, and may not return to his division maximum speed on subsequent passes. Any passes skied at that higher speed shall receive credit for buoys as though they were being run at his division maximum speed.

2. In Class C tournaments, the skier may opt to ski at higher maximum speeds, up to 58kph (36mph) for male divisions and 55kph (34.2) for female divisions, excluding juniors, at their discretion. In this case, the skier shall receive credit for the buoys run at the higher speed.

10.06C. A skier may start his run anywhere in the matrix shown in 10.06(g) below, subject only to the maximum speeds for their division as stated in 10.06B. The age division maximum speeds shall be retained for National Records. ~~A skier may elect to start at a speed higher than his division maximum speed, up to his respective Open Division maximum speed, and may not return to his division maximum speed on subsequent passes. Any~~

~~passes skied at that higher speed shall receive credit for buoys as though they were being run at his division maximum speed.~~

Rationale: Probably a mistake in copy and paste.

Motion to approve-Bob M, second Ryan. Approved

PROPOSAL 13: Better define slalom runoffs when using ZBS:

10.13C: The contestant with the most consecutive points earned at the ~~shortest rope length at the fastest speed where the miss occurred~~ shall be the winner of the event. **Refer to Rule 10.14 (Ties).**

~~1. In a case where two or more skiers have the same number of consecutive points but at different boat speeds and/or rope lengths, the skier with the fastest boat speed where the miss occurred shall be declared the winner.~~

~~2. If they still have the same score, the shortest rope length shall be used to determine the winner.~~

~~10.13F Scoring Ties: The skier who scores the most consecutive points shall be judged the winner.~~

10.14 Ties

A. Definition: A tie shall exist when two or more skiers have the same score, greater than zero, ~~in consecutive points earned at the same boat speed and line length~~ **(see 10.14B1)**. For situations where two contestants have equal points but at different speeds and/or line lengths, see Rule 10.13.C.

B. Procedure to resolve:

1. If a tie exists, there shall be a new drawing for running order. Run-offs shall start by repeating the pass before the one in which the miss occurred **even when ZBS involves different line lengths and speeds.** ~~except w~~When the tie occurs at the skiers' minimum starting speed, in which case the starting speed will remain the same. The skier may optionally skip any pass in the run-off. (See 10.13.C & 10.13.D if skiers tie again)

Rationale: With ZBS a tie will exist with the same buoy count where a runoff might be necessary.

10.13C Motion to approve-Ryan, second Dave A. Approved

10.14 Motion to approve-Bob M, second Ryan. Approved in conjunction with 10.13C

PROPOSAL 14: Rule 11.08B4 Change "LOC" to Chief Judge.

At the option of the **Chief Judge** ~~LOC~~, a shore judge may be used to grant rerides for conditions not physically observable by the video judges.

Rationale: The Chief Judge should decide whether a shore judge is necessary.

Motion to approve-Lori, second Ryan. Approved

PROPOSAL 15: 11.08E Remove

D. Official Timer: There shall be a timer on shore approximately in the center of the course. Alternatively, there may be a timer stationed at each end of the trick course with devices which actuate a timing device located approximately in the center of the course. Where an automatic timing device is available which can select the median of five or three separate triggering signals, the event judges may collectively serve as the official timer.

~~E. Backup Timer: A backup timer, with audible signal, must be provided.~~

- ~~1. In Class C tournaments and below, the backup timer and device for the audible signal may be eliminated at the option of the Chief Judge.~~
- ~~2. In Class F, at the option of the Chief Judge, the timer on shore may be eliminated, in which case the boat judge shall become the timer, start the stop watch and then sound the audible device at the end of the pass. If there is no audible device available, the Chief Judge may have the boat judge signal the start and end of the pass with a flag.~~

Rationale: Not necessary since there is a timer already required. Most tournaments are using video.

After meeting vote approved to eliminate 11.08E already have a timer and with video used at most tournaments so a backup timer isn't needed.

PROPOSAL 16: National records set at World Championship/IWWF tournaments (From TC Committee)

14.01 AWSA Recognition

The AWSA shall recognize records for slalom performances, jump distances, and trick performances for each division listed under Rule 3.02 in tournaments of Record Capability only. (Specific requirements for conducting a Record Capability tournament appear in Rule 15.) Only US Citizens, with USA-WSWS Full Active Membership are eligible to set AWSA records. Citizens of other countries are not eligible to set AWSA records. However, a competitor who skis for another federation in an international competition to which the US sends a team, shall not be eligible to set a record for the remainder of that calendar year, plus the following two calendar years, following their performance in that international competition. U.S. skiers may set AWSA records in international tournaments shown to meet the standards of a tournament of Record Capability. Run-offs of ties are used solely for determining placement; therefore, a run-off performance is not eligible for consideration as a record.

The AWSA National Record Review Board will accept the IWWF result (approved/rejected) of any U.S Skier performance that meets the IWWF World Record (Open/U17/U21) requirements and has been submitted as an IWWF World Record. An AWSA National Record may equal but shall not exceed an IWWF World Record for that division.

Motion to approve word with recommended wording from Jim Grew-Bob H, seconded Ryan. Approved

PROPOSAL 17: 15.06D1a-d

- 1) Delete the steps (15.06D1a thru d) in AWSA Rule rules for EC Video and refer to the IWWF Rule Book for EC Video.
- 2) Added a statement that we can use an **Approved Boat Path Measurement System as stated in IWWF Rule book.**

15.06 Technical Requirements

D. Slalom Requirements:

1. End-course video ***or Approved Boat Path Measurement System:***
 - a. End Course Video and/or Approved Boat Path Measurement System must be used in Class E/L/R tournament per IWWF specifications Rules.***

~~a. End Course shall be recorded in the Slalom event for all passes. A rigidly mounted video camera shall be operated from a point on the centerline on at least one end of the slalom course, adjusted to show all of the boat guides in clear focus and equipped with sufficient power to display the far entrance/exit gate occupying at least 1/6th of the full width of the screen (1/3 width or larger is recommended).~~

~~b. It is recommended that a radio receiver be placed by the recorder so that all radio transmissions are recorded on the audio track, and that the skier's name and speed and/or line length be announced on each pass, and the actual times recorded by the official timing devices also be announced.~~

~~c. A black 5cm (2") (approximately) wide strip on the middle of the windshield will be used to show up on the end course video. If the boat already has a visible center mark on the windshield this is not necessary. A visible mark would be a center seam between two halves of the windshield or a center swing-out window that would have vertical seams on either side of center. The mark, if required would only need to come up approximately half way to the top of the windshield, but be clearly visible in the end course video.~~

~~d. A mark or small post on the top of the windshield that is visible in the end course video camera (both directions) shall be placed 20 cm from the center of the windshield on both sides of the center to aid in the determination of the 20 cm deviation (for onsite video review).~~

Motion to approve-Jazmine, second Bob. Approved

Post meeting, many more TC rules have been deleted and referenced the IWWF 2021 Rulebook. Have created a section in this report for those rule changes.

PROPOSAL 18: Remove diagrams on page 101. They are duplications and are covered in rule 10.

Motion to remove duplicate diagrams-Bob, second Ryan. Approved

PROPOSAL 19: Change Allowable Boat Adjustments

MasterCraft Ballast/ Weight System –

Tricks Only, the ProStar is approved in Tricks: 1) with a weight system; and 2) without a weight system. If the boat is used with the ballast/weight system, it must be configured as it was tested and approved.

2021 & Later – If weighted, two options: 1) 200 pounds total, using two sets of weight bags each totaling 100lbs installed in the two rear compartment trays; or 2) 100 pounds total, using two sets of weight bags each totaling 50lbs installed in the two rear compartment trays. (See Rules Interpretations)

2020 & Earlier – If weighted, the configuration must include a full ballast / fat sack in the bilge; inside the front floor compartment (150lbs). In addition, 150lbs total using two sets of weight bags each totaling 75lbs installed in the two rear compartment trays).

Rear storage compartment trays are located inside the top loading access doors at the back of the boat.

The ProStar is not approved with any other configuration, in other words, a user cannot simply put weight on the boat floor.

Rationale: Above wording is now included in the full document for Allowable Boat Adjustments. Now needed to put guidelines in place for skiers' options when using the 2021 or later MasterCraft since there were changes after boat tests.

Areas where the new guidelines for the ProStar are shown:

8.02B3. For tricks if equipped, the ballast system starting level may be chosen by the skier (0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, or 100%). The skier may select +/- 50% for his second pass based on his first pass selection. The LOC along with the CJ may set a maximum upper ballast level. If so, the skier may not exceed that limit when selecting a second pass change. **See rules interpretations and Allowable Boat Adjustment Chart for newest guidelines**

Rules Interpretation Section wording:

2021 MasterCraft Weight System:

- Weight bags must be approved by the boat owner before using in their boat
- Weight bags must be placed in the rear compartment trays as designated by MasterCraft
- No weight bag changes will be allowed between a skier's first & second pass
- Weight bags can be taken in/out between skiers to any of the approved configurations (No weight, 100 lbs., or 200 lbs.)
- No additional ballast is allowed
- Tournament supplied weight in 8.02(B)(2) may be used for balancing the boat

PROPOSAL 20: Nationals Qualification Chart

Divisions	Slalom	Trick	Jump
B1/G1	E/L*	E/L*	--
B2/G2	E/L*	E/L*	L
B3/G3	E/L*	E/L*	L
B4/G4	L	L	L
B5/G5	L	L	L
M1/W1	L	L	L
M2/W2	L	L	L
M3/W3	L	L	L
M4/W4	L	L	L
M5/W5	L	L	L
M6	L	L	L
W6	L	E/L*	E/L*
M7-8	L	E/L*	E/L*
W7-8	E/L*	E/L*	E/L*
M9-11/W9-11	E/L*	E/L*	E/L*
MM/MW	L	L	L
OM/OW	R	R	R
<i>Trick divisions that may expect scores of 10,000 points or higher should be run as an "R" classification. Skiers must request Class R for an IWWF World Record in the U17 and U21 divisions.</i>			
<i>*Class L At the option of the skier</i>			

Rationale: By keeping Class E for B/G 1-3 still allows the use the light line for slalom. Added M/W 11 (typo). Also change the slalom Class for W7-11 and M9-11 to L for IWWF standings list. There are no differences in slalom except the higher standard of judging which would need to be used anyway.

Motion to approve-Ryan, second Jazmine. Approved

PROPOSAL 21: Motion to remove first sentence at bottom of Classification chart above-Gary, second Bob M. Approve

TC COMMITTEE RULE RECOMMENDATIONS:**9.12 Distance Measurement**

E. Any existing video setup can be evaluated against this standard by testing actual movements of the reference markers and landing point

markers, and observing the reported changes in the calculated landing location which results from such movements between adjacent pixels. Such manual evaluations need to be systematically conducted throughout the expected operating range of the setup. **Reference TC Manual for spreadsheet template.** ~~Alternatively, the Technical Committee has prepared a planning and analysis model (in the form of a spreadsheet template) which may be used to evaluate any proposed Corson Video Jump System site configuration against this standard. The use of this latter tool is required for Record Capability tournaments, and a copy of the printout from that spreadsheet is to be attached to the Technical Controller's Report. (This is in the TC Manual).~~

Rationale: The elimination of the two sentences affects no discipline other than Tech Control. The reality is that it is not and has not been required, and is not submitted with the TC report. This wording is being used by no official or TC. The spreadsheet is a method to check the field of view for the cameras. All of the currently approved jump measurement systems calculate the homologation level for each camera and grid.

10.16 Slalom Equipment, Specifications, Definitions:

A. Buoys: (This is all duplicated in rule 8.09)

Replace all of 10.16.A with

"See rule 8.09 for Buoy specifications, and the Official Slalom Course diagram in the Appendix for buoy placements."

~~1. Boat guide buoys:~~

- ~~a. Color: Yellow is recommended.~~
- ~~b. Size: May be spherical, cylindrical, or bullet-shaped.~~
 - ~~i. Spherical buoys shall be 22 – 28 cm (8.75" to 11") in diameter (23 cm (9") recommended), and fastened so that they have 11 – 17 cm (4.375" to 6.75") of height out of the water (11.5 cm (4.5") recommended).~~
 - ~~ii. Non-spherical types may have a cross-sectional area of 75 – 450 square cm (12 – 70 square inches), cylindrical buoys may have a diameter of 9.78 – 23cm (3.8 – 9 inches) (recommend 6 – 8 inches); all shall appear vertical, and shall be 15 – 30 cm (6 – 12") exposed above the water.~~

~~2. Boat path alignment gate buoys:~~

- ~~a. Color: Green is recommended.~~
- ~~b. Size: Where they are required in slalom, they shall consist of cylindrical buoys of a color contrasting to the official course buoys and shall be placed outside the official course at either end, at a distance of 55 meters beyond the entrance gates, and at the 1.15-meter width of the interior boat guide buoys.~~

~~3. Skier and Gate Buoys:~~

- ~~a. Color: Bright red or orange – orange recommended.~~

~~b. Size:~~

~~1. Gate buoys shall be generally spherical in shape and 20—28 cm (7.8" to 11") in diameter (20 cm (7.8") recommended), and fastened so that they have 10—17 cm (3.9" to 6.75") of height out of the water (10 cm (3.9") recommended). They shall be of lightweight, pliable material with an exposed surface that is smooth.~~

~~2. Skier buoys shall be generally spherical in shape and 20—28 cm (7.8" to 11") in diameter (20 cm [7.8"] recommended), and fastened so that they have 8—17 cm (3.15" to 6.75") of height out of the water (8.5 to 9 cm [3.35 to 3.9"] recommended). They shall be of lightweight, pliable material with a smooth, exposed surface. It is recommended that a line or mark be made on the buoy at the 8 cm limit so that it can be easily determined that the buoy height is in tolerance.~~

~~4. In addition, these buoys shall be provided with an elastic device or equivalent (counter weight system, recommend minimum length 16" for elastic). This will allow the gate buoys to rise and fall under tension with the passage of the wakes and allow the skier buoys to move if a skier hits the buoy.~~

Rationale: Totally redundant with 8.09. Same exact language and content in two separate rules.

10.16.B.4 – eliminate duplication that is covered in rule 8.04

4. DIFFERENT SIZE SLALOM ROPES THAT ARE ALLOWED: All slalom ropes are tournament supplied. Any or all of these ropes may be supplied. Skiers can check with the LOC before the tournament to see which ropes are available.

ADD – See rule 8.04.A for slalom rope sizes that are allowed and in what classifications and divisions.

For Class E/L/R organizers will supply a minimum of two slalom ropes below which meets the specifications in Rule 8.04. The ropes may be used as described below:

a) The same brand with the same specifications;

b) The same brand with differing specifications;

c) Different brands altogether.

If different ropes specifications are used, skiers will be permitted to choose which rope to use. No re-ride will be granted if a skier receives the wrong rope.

A skier cannot provide his/her own slalom rope.

~~a. Standard rope; minimum breaking load 726kg (1600#). Reference 8.04A. Revised 5/23/20~~

~~b. 8mm (IWWF Lighter Line) with minimum breaking load 499kg (1100#). Reference 8.04A2a.~~

~~May be used in AWSA Class E/C/F in B 1-3, G 1-4, W6 and above;
IWWF Class L/R in B/G 1-3 (U14 and U10) only. Revised 5/23/20
c. 5mm with minimum breaking load 363kg (800#). Reference 8.04A2b.
Not to exceed 35 off (12m)
May be used in AWSA Class E/C/F in B1-2/G 1-3 only.
Can NOT be used in IWWF Class L or R.
Revised 5/23/20~~

Rationale: The part being eliminated is totally redundant with 8.04. Same exact language and content in two separate rules.

10.07 Boat Path

- A. The boat path is intended to be a straight line along the centerline of the course.
- ~~B. Where end course is available, the towboat pylon shall not deviate by more than 20cm (7.87in) from the course centerline. For instances where end course video is not available, the boat shall follow a straight path as close to the centerline of the course as possible.
Reference IWWF Rule 8.15 for Class L/R and as guidelines for Class E (same rules apply).~~
- C. Class E tournaments also see Rule 14.04.B on Record forms.

Rationale: The part being eliminated affects only class L and R tournaments. IWWF rule 8.15 will govern boat path for those class tournaments. Rule 8.15 will likely see modification over the next year, maybe numerous times - primarily as a result of the development of BPMS. Duplicating changes IWWF makes with regard to this rule would require a revision to the AWSA rules every time they make a change.

14.04 Record Forms

- B. For a National Slalom record to be considered, video of the boat path is required (**Reference IWWF Rule 8.15**) ~~Rule 15.06.D below~~ for all passes. The **EC** video/**EC Data (BPMS)** shall accompany the record application. In addition, for Elite Division National Record in OM, OW, MM & MW video from the boat for the last two passes shall be submitted.

For National Slalom records the final two passes on the **EC** video/**BPMS** tape will be examined by the Technical Chairman or his designee to verify that the boat path is within the following **buoy-deviation and the buoy cumulative deviation specifications as identified in IWWF Rule 8.15**. ~~Maximum deviation of the boat on approach to each buoy/gate is 20 cm (8") toward the side of the skier buoy. The Total Cumulative~~

Deviation (the algebraic sum of the individual deviations) is to be evaluated based on the score for the pass, as follows:

Score	Limit	Score	Limit
0.25—1.00	20 cm	3.25—4.00	40 cm
1.25—2.00	28 cm	4.25—5.00	45 cm
2.25—3.00	35 cm	5.25—6.00	49 cm

Rationale: Records is TC information. Having this only in the TC manual will eliminate the requirement to make changes in both the rules and manual if/when there are changes.

15.06 Technical Requirements

Reference IWWF Rule 25 (Homologation Guidelines).

Reference IWWF Rule 8.15 for Slalom EC and Boat Path Monitoring System (BPMS).

A. ~~For the Tricks event, a manually triggered "automatic countdown" timing device shall be used. Alternatively, a video based frame counting device which has been approved by the Technical Committee may be used.~~

B. Deleted

C. ~~All trick passes must be video recorded from the boat. If a review is required, each judge will review the recording individually and independently at normal speed only. (see Rules 11.20 and 15.06.A)~~

D. Slalom Requirements:

1. End course video

a. ~~End Course shall be recorded in the Slalom event for all passes. A rigidly mounted video camera shall be operated from a point on the centerline on at least one end of the slalom course, adjusted to show all of the boat guides in clear focus and equipped with sufficient power to display the far entrance/exit gate occupying at least 1/6th of the full width of the screen (1/3 width or larger is recommended).~~

b. ~~It is recommended that a radio receiver be placed by the recorder so that all radio transmissions are recorded on the audio track, and that the skier's name and speed and/or line length be announced on each pass, and the actual times recorded by the official timing devices also be announced.~~

~~c. A black 5cm (2") (approximately) wide strip on the middle of the windshield will be used to show up on the end course video. If the boat already has a visible center mark on the windshield this is not necessary. A visible mark would be a center seam between two halves of the windshield or a center swing-out window that would have vertical seams on either side 90 of center. The mark, if required would only need to come up approximately half way to the top of the windshield, but be clearly visible in the end course video.~~

~~d. A mark or small post on the top of the windshield that is visible in the end course video camera (both directions) shall be placed 20 cm from the center of the windshield on both sides of the center to aid in the determination of the 20 cm deviation (for onsite video review).~~

~~e. The Chief Driver shall be responsible for ensuring that the end course video is monitored by an official for compliance with Rule 10.07 and that any driving adjustments or corrections are communicated to the driver.~~

~~f. The video recordings of non record passes shall be submitted to the Regions' Drivers Committee Representative.~~

~~g. Video Specifications~~

~~1. Video to be used: For Judging purposes and record review process, only video from the official cameras can be used.~~

~~2. Video Property: All videos become the property of AWSA and shall be kept in the custody of the Chief Judge during the competition. At the end of the competition the responsibility of the videos goes to the organizer, who must keep them in custody or uploaded to a suitable storage site for one year, in such a way that they are available if required by AWSA.~~

~~3. Recommendations: All recorded video for Tricks and Slalom be recorded at 30 FPS and all video should have a minimum resolution of (NTSC:640x480).~~

~~2. The average of the six "F" (skier buoy width) dimensions shall not be less than 11.48 meters. See the official Slalom Course Diagram in the Appendix.~~

~~3. The judging area on each side of the course shall be located within 44 degrees \pm 3 degrees from the course centerline (rotated clockwise about a point at the center of the entrance gate to the left end of the course as seen from that observation point). If it is not feasible to place the judges' tower at the prescribed angle, a video camera may be mounted at the proper angle and the live signal fed to a monitor in the judges' tower, so that the appropriate event judge(s) can observe the gates. Judgment on the gates will be made by viewing the monitor. The signal will be taped so that review is possible. Also see Rule 10.08.B for an optional method of judging slalom.~~

~~E. The "Record Tolerances" shall be used in verifying boat times in the Jumping event only when a skier is at the maximum speed for his division. See Rule 9.17 and the tables in the Appendix.~~

Rationale: Technical Requirements affect class L & R tournaments. This will all be in IWWF rule 25. Eliminating this language in the AWSA rules will eliminate the requirement to make changes in the AWSA rulebook when IWWF makes changes.

IWWF ISSUES:

Dana Garcia is now the PanAm Representative and we will be working with her to align as much as possible.

AWSA will need to keep watching the Boat Path measurement systems and how the rules will be implemented. There are new requirements that will go into the IWWF 2021 Rulebook #8.15. There will be some tournaments that will require the use of a Boat Path Measurement System which will include these two paragraphs. BPMS is not required only recommended for Class R and L, AWSA officials can now use this opportunity to become familiar with the systems and use the rules that apply. We want our drivers and officials to use these systems as much as they can before they are required.

End Course Video

End course video shall be recorded for all passes 11.25m and shorter. A rigidly mounted video camera shall be operated from a point on the centerline on at least one end of the slalom course, adjusted to show all of the boat guides in clear focus, and equipped with optical (not digital) magnification of sufficient power to display the far entrance/exit gate occupying at least 1/6th of the full width of the screen (1/3 width or larger is recommended). The video file shall be forwarded to the Confederation Waterski Council immediately after the competition. All passes at 11.25 and shorter are subject to review by Council for compliance to rules (1.09) (8.01) and (8.15) including boat path cumulative deviation. Any passes that do not conform may result in the associated score being changed on, or removed from the IWWF standings lists.

Boat Path Measurement System

A Boat Path Measurement System, (BPMS) is required for Titled Events (World or Confederation), World Cup and Elite Events during which all passes at 14.25 and shorter must be monitored with applicable tolerances and rules applied. BPMS is recommended for "R" and "L" events. If used officially in "R" or "L" events, all passes at 11.25 and shorter must be monitored with applicable tolerances and rules applied. If used unofficially (information only) all rules regarding End Course Video must be followed (see BPMS not in use). BPMS may be RTK-GPS or Video based. The use of RTK-GPS systems is strongly recommended.

PROPOSALS NO ACTION OR NOT APPROVED

22) 3.02A How have all the junior divisions been accepted. Did Regionals have enough juniors to fill the spots.

Discussion: Guess a bad year to judge the number of skiers in each group!

No Action

23) 3.03.E. Make all rankings expire at the end of the nationals.

No Action

24) EVP Exception: Should there be more guidelines or a committee for some exceptions? Not all EVPs are granting the same excuses.

No Action

25) 7.06A: Mirror IWWF and allow electronic postings to be official. Most skiers now are looking at what's posted on live results than checking the paper postings.

No Action at this time. Dave Allen will work on a PDF document to see if that could be used along with posting on site.

26) 8.05 isn't true. Speeds over the bottom could vary significantly. It's really speeds as calculated by gps. That's a very old rule.

8.05 Boat Speeds

All speeds are "speeds over the bottom"; compensate in all cases where a current exists. The boat path in all events is intended to be a straight line, run at a constant speed. Variation in speed during any pass may not exceed $\pm .8$ kph (.5 mph), except during the second segment in the jump course when using the optional faster second segment option. In the Slalom and Jumping events, the recorded times through the timing segments must also be within the applicable tolerances. (See Rules 9.06, 9.17, 10.06, 10.17, and 11.06, and the Timing Tolerances Tables.)

No Action

27) 9.03D A pass is defined as the movement of the boat by and parallel to the ramp, regardless of what the skier does. A balk occurs when the skier refuses the ramp by either skiing to the left of the ramp and releasing the handle or by following the boat past the ramp while holding on to the rope. A skier shall receive no further jumps in a round if, after leaving the boat's wake on a definite cut to the ramp, the skier elects to pass between the boat course and the ramp, whether or not he retains the tow line. A judgment decision is required by ***the boat judge unless event judges are also being used in which case*** a majority of the Event judges ***would then decide*** as to whether the cut is "definite".

No Action

28) Rule 9.07 add after first sentence "The Boat Path may not be outside the 19M buoy. That would eliminate the need for the last sentence in 9.16.F. Unless the boat is wider than the 19M line, there's no competitive advantage to a jump handle being long.

No Action

29) Jump times should we use all three times like IWWF now?

Discussion: Are drivers and judges comfortable with the three segments now? Would need to change a few reride situations also.

Motion to approve Jeff, second Jazmine Approved. Will need to review both AWSA and IWWF charts for reride differences.

Once reviewed, there are not enough differences to redo our rules. WSTIMS already takes into account the reride options. Already calling all three times.

No more action

30) Match IWWF on definite cut vs once having taken a jump?

9.10F Once a skier has taken a definite cut toward the ramp, he automatically waives any reride request regarding any conditions encountered prior to the start of the timing course.

(IWWF 10.03 Once having taken the jump, the skier loses all right to a re-ride for conditions before the 180m buoy)

9.10.F AWSA and IWWF rule should match. Preferably, handle throw has to be prior to the 180M buoy.

Most preferred AWSA rule.

Motion to approve Bob second Gary. Not approved. Will work with Dana and IWWF to further clarify wording and reride options.

31) 9.10G: Eliminate the last sentence. Inequitable to the skier affected. If time is of the essence, cut all attempts in the division to 2 or move the event to the next day. This applies to the same rules in slalom and trick.

G. When weather, tournament-supplied equipment, or some other reason not the fault of the skier causes a delay of more than ten minutes between jumps, the skier shall have the option of requesting an unscored jump to be taken before the remaining jump(s). However, the Chief Judge, with the approval of the majority of the Appointed Judges, may deny this option if there is reason to believe that further delays will preclude finishing the tournament in a timely manner or otherwise work to the disadvantage of the remaining skiers.

No Action

32) Should women 1 & 2 maybe Men 1 & 2 have the option of jumping on a 5.5 and 6' ramp.

Discussion: This has been discussed before with Open being the option to use. Some have felt they can't get an overall score because they do not want to jump on the lower ramp height to attain that overall score. Also, if we let these skiers have a distance requirement to jump on a higher ramp in the same division, are we penalizing the other skiers in the division?

No Action

33) Eliminate 10.06B2: This can enable a competitive advantage to skiers graduating to older divisions. (Also suggested by SQC)

No Action

34) 10.06B2 Divisions: IWWF reapproved W4 32mph slalom shortening speed. AWSA voted to keep 34 last year, which we can still keep.

No Action

35) 10.06B2 Divisions: IWWF also has opened the Senior divisions to 35 and over etc. Should we follow?

No Action at this time. Will see how IWWF handles their ranking list since skiers could populate many lists at once.

36) Should this be revised since we don't have the option of a stop watch??

10.08B Auxiliary Personnel:

1. ~~Boat Timer: In the event of a speed control malfunction, a boat timer shall ride in the boat to check speeds with a stop watch (see Rule 10.09), and a backup timer is also required.~~

Motion to approve-Ryan, second Dave A. Approved to delete paragraph.

No Action: Upon further review we will look at all of this for next year's meeting.

37) Rule 10.11.A - change to match IWWF where handle throws can only occur on first pass.

- A. A contestant may refuse to enter the official slalom course on any pass by throwing the handle in the air before the entrance gate. He shall not be penalized for so doing, provided the refusal was for a reason acceptable to a majority of the event judges.

No Action

38) 10.14C. Ties shall be run off for the first five place at Regionals and Nationals and the first three places in all other tournaments.

Withdrawn

39) Rule 11.03 - match IWWF and eliminate any practice falls.

Withdrawn

40) Rule 13.02.A is in direct conflict with the IWWF rule that allows on 4 rounds to go IWWF rankings list in head-to-head and elimination tournaments.

No Action

41) 15.06D1e: The Chief Driver shall be responsible for ensuring that the end-course video is monitored by an official for compliance with Rule 10.07 and that any driving adjustments or corrections are communicated to the driver.

Motion to approve the wording of an End Course **Official** instead of Judge in WSTIMS those officials will consist of Judges, Drivers and Tech Controllers- Jazmine, second Dave.

No rule change but a change in programming, will also wait for more definitions after discussion about boat path management.

42) Under the same thought, the IWWF PanAm Region is requesting these options for Sure-Path so that everyone has a chance to test and see how the system works before defining any reride options.

The Sure-Path Boat Path Tracking System may be used in any one of the following three configuration options:

OPTION 1 - Information Only – Standalone in the boat – deviation data available to the driver to make path corrections. (End Course Video would still be monitored by an official in the tower. End Course video must still be recorded and submitted according to the rules). Not used for reride determination.

OPTION 2 - Information Only – Path data available to driver and available to official in the tower monitoring end course (laptop with Sure-Path Judges Application). Official monitoring will communicate necessary end course corrections. (End Course Video would still be monitored by an official in the tower. End Course video must still be recorded and submitted according to the rules). Not used for reride determination.

OPTION 3 - As provided under IWWF Rule 8.15 – Approved Boat Path Measurement System.

It is recommended that tournament organizers, use OPTION 1 or OPTION 2 - Information Only as a first step. This allow drivers and officials to get familiar with its use, encourage adoption and provide for data collection.

No Action at this time

43) Just noticed in both the AWSA and IWWF rule books nowhere does it define a reverse trick as a trick in the opposite direction of the original. There is some clarity about flips and stepover tricks about which shoulder leads, etc but not the other tricks.

No Action

44) Jeff asked about the rule requiring a PanAm Judge for L & R Tournaments.

15.05J IWWF-sanctioned Record Capability tournaments (Class L or R) must include one official certified by the Pan American Confederation or IWWF National Federation and this may be one of the chief officials. That official needs to be on site during a multi round tournament only while those events are being run.

Is this an AWSA rule or PanAm requirement? Will discuss with IWWF/PanAm along with Judge and Scorers to see if this is still required.

After meeting: This was a requirement when there was a separate fee for a PanAm region sanction. The intent was to have someone qualified on site to make sure the IWWF rules are followed.

45) AWSA might be holding our judges to a higher standard when wanting to upgrade. To test for a PanAm senior judges need to have that rating for five years before able to test. Is this necessary?

After meeting: The J & S Committee can evaluate whether the requirement for five years is necessary to upgrade.

CHANGES TO THE RULES COMMITTEE:

Sara Lemley was replaced by Bob Harris. Jeff Surdej will be stepping down to focus more on other areas of our sport. Replacement ???

Respectfully submitted,
Richelle Muhlitner, AWSA Rules Chair

Safety Committee Report

Our AWSA National Safety Committee was given two items to talk about. One from a skier and one from our President. The first from the skier. This was about the use of a 'rope type trick release' in extreme short line slalom. The Committee discussed how this could be run and who would be the release person. As a result, we decided that having a third person in the boat or using the boat judge as the release person were not going to work or happen. There for this item was voted down. The second item brought us back to the use of handle guards in slalom. Do we mandate or recommend the use of handle guards? We decided to have a 'recommended statement' placed in the Safety Manual. The Committee does not recommend any one particular handle over another, leaving that decision up to the skier.

As Chair of this Committee, I am asking USA WSWS to extend the 'blanket hardship' for any rated Safety person unable to complete their maintenance, tournaments and mandated clinics / first aid – CPR until this COVID-19 is under control enough to allow the freedom of the people to get gather safely and not have to worry about who they are gathering with.

Respectfully submitted,

James Babcock, Chair

Seeding Committee Report

Skiers Qualification Committee Report

AWSA BOD to Vote on Recommendation for 2021 Item 1 and 2 (Page 2).

TC Rule changes were added to the Rule Change Proposal.

1) 2020

- 1) 30 National Records submitted; 23 approved, 7 rejected
(late getting all the data).
- 2) Last year Winter Meeting, we stated that each **Regional EVP** should ensure that all EC Video gets updated and reviewed. The Southern, South Central, Mid-West only had approximately 50% of the required EC Video uploaded at end of Oct, 2020. **Same issue every year!**
In 2021 scores will not be posted until EC Data is submitted and must be uploaded **within 7 days**.
THERE SHOULD NOT BE A CLASS L/R TOURN RUN IN 2021 WITHOUT SURE-PATH AND REAL TIME SCORING.
- 3) Several sites, EC Video was not zoomed in at the correct ratio. (Far Exit Gates are required to be 1/6 minimum, but recommended 1/5.
Far Gates buoys could not be seen in the video (camera mounted too low).
Same issues have been identified over-and-over.
In 2021 the minimum will be 1/5 (20%).
- 4) Sure-Path; Ski-Path; Splasheye: Boat Path Monitoring System (BPMS):
We have been working on IWWF Homologation Guidelines and Rules for BPMS. Sure-Path and SkiPath (GPS-RTK System) have been tested at numerous sites and both are accurate within 1cm. Sure-Path data has been compared/verified to Splasheye and Corson Record Checker. Sure-Path/Splasheye/Corson are approved by IWWF and is being used around the world. Sure-Path (GPS-RTK System) has been proven to be reliable. Sure-Path data can be uploaded (Live/Real Time) in the Scoring Program (WSTIMS) when the scoring program is run in Real Time and connected to the internet. **(No EC Video required to be uploaded).**
A test/comparison was completed with the GPS Antenna mounted on top of boat windshield and low on pylon. Maximum deviation between the two (low on pylon vs top windshield) was only 2 cm, most readings were the same. This was performed, due to several comments were made about the boat rolling from side to side.

4 Continue

Sure-Path: Several states have FREE RTK Base Stations (virtual) that can be used, vs a local (Sure-Path) base station.

Splasheye is manual operated, and AWSA does not recommend for tournaments (manual operated). However, this is used to verify records and maximum deviation for EC Video.

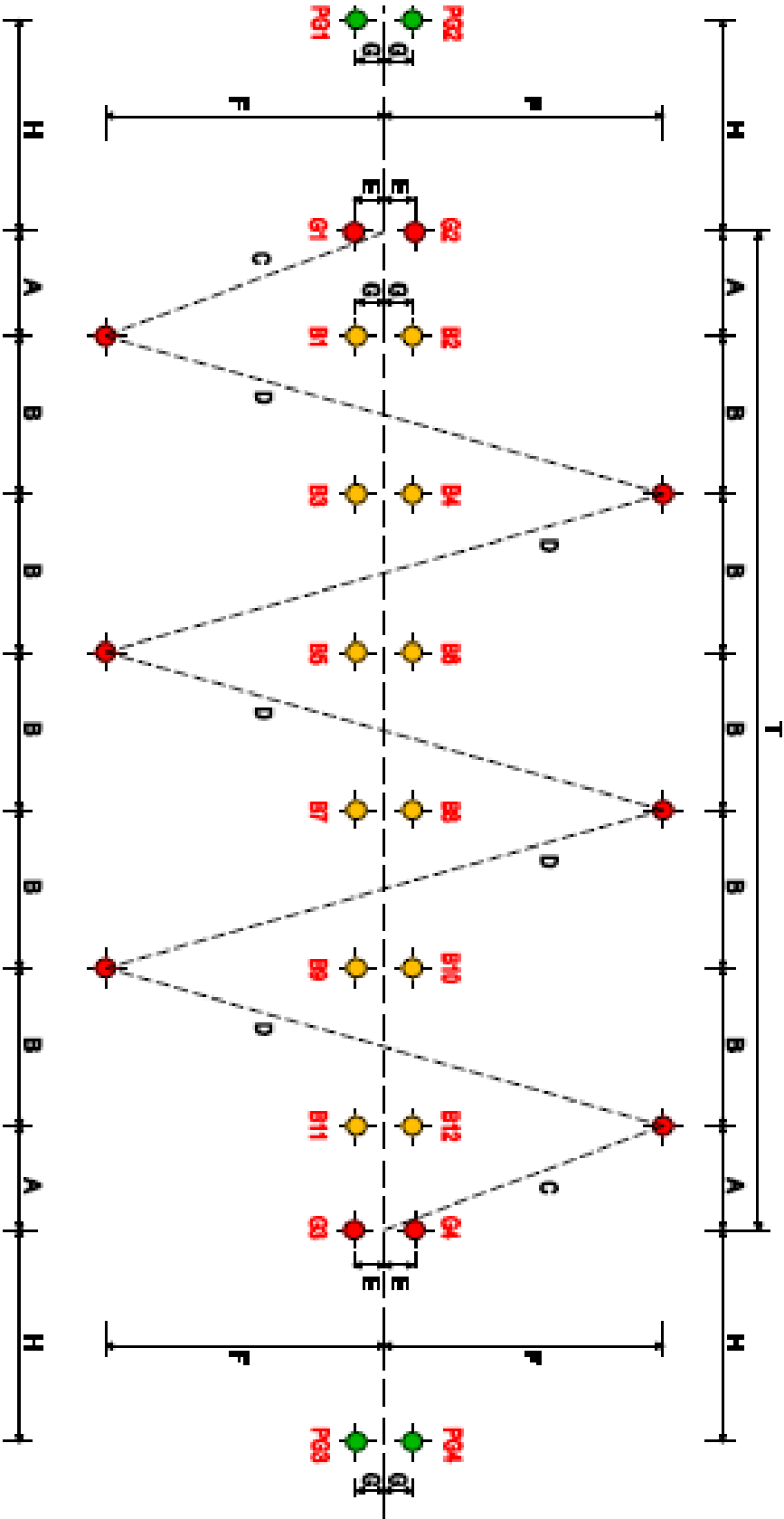
Ski-Path been tested and is accurate within 1 cm, however, not approved at this time for tourn. Working on getting the data output intergrading with scoring program and additional testing will be required to verify dependability before approving.

2) 2021

- 1) Goals to remove any duplication associated with Class L/R that are in the AWSA Rule, that are already addressed in IWWF and that are not Administrative Rules.
Example- Slalom Judge Tower layout for Class L/R.
Homologation Guidelines.
(Need BOD approval before we start this process).
- 2) Update the Slalom Diagram to show the acronym for each buoy. This is required to match Sure-Path/SkiPath and Lions Survey Program. This is being added to IWWF. (See Attached)
- 3) Southern Regional made a proposal that all SR Class R (should include Class L) Slalom Division can only be run with a Boat Path Monitoring System (BPMS) (example Sure-Path GPS-RTK System) and with the Scoring Program in Real Time. In-additional, made a strong recommendation that all Class L be run with BPMS and Real Time Scoring. **RECOMMEND** that all Regional do the SAME.
- 4) 2021 Slalom Scores will not be posted, until all EC Data is uploaded, within 7 days. The TC Report cannot be completed and submitted to the scorer until the EC Data is submitted.

- 5) 2022 All Class L/R will require a BPMS per IWWF
(will Require IWWF approval in 2021).
- 6) IWWF Homologation is being revised to ensure all Boat Guides are in alignment and are equal on both sides. Provide guidelines to ensure that the GPS-RTK CL is correct (by comparing GPS-RTK Gate Width with Land Survey Gate Width). This is required if we expect the drivers are to drive within rules/tolerance.
- 7) Women Overall Word Record Calculation/formula is being changed to make more in line with Men Overall Calculation/formula. Did away with the old calculation formula; no longer required before using the new formula.
- 8) Pan-Am now as a Homologation Committee (Bob Corson is the Chair and Jerry Jackson is the USA Representative). The Pan-Am Homologation has also listed all the Homologators (TCs) who can Homologate a Pan-Am Event.
- 9) Chip Shand (East) has developed and issue (Free) the Video Stopwatch Trick Program and Video Tape Measure/Jump Program (replacement of BC window XP version). Both Programs have been tested and approved by IWWF (although Trick Program did not require IWWF approval, it was validated by IWWF). AWSA recommend using Video Stopwatch Trick Timer when not doing Live Feed. (Live feed -Splasheye). AWSA recommend using Video Tape Measure (Windows 10) if not using Splasheye Jump Program. Free Download under AWSA TC Resources and instructions.

<https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Water-Ski/Three-Event-Water-Skiing/Technical-Controllers>
- 10) TC Clinic- There will be an ONLINE LIVE TC Clinic this Feb/March. Will go over new Homologation Guidelines, Sure-Path, BMPS Rules, Chip Shand Video Stopwatch/Trick Timer and Tape Measurement/Jump.



Towboat Committee Report

January 2021

To: AWSA Board of Directors

From: Will Bush
George Lindy

ACTION ITEMS:

The Committee has continued to develop options for addressing the shortage of boats for sanctioned events. Below are three proposals which require the Board's approval.

Proposal to Increase Use of Approved Towboats

Background

Existing policy allows use of current year and 3 prior model years for tournaments. Older boats equipped with Zero Off may be used with concurrence of the Committee.

The proposed policy would allow any prior year USA Water Ski Approved Tournament boat equipped with Zero Off to be used (with the exception of Nationals and Regionals).

PROPOSED:

Towboat Use: Model Year

- a. AWSA US Nationals and AWSA Regionals may use a 2021 USA Water Ski Approved Tournament Towboat or a prior year 2020, or 2019 USA Water Ski Approved Tournament Towboat. (Current year plus 2 additional years).
- b. Record Capability (Class E, L, R) tournaments and Class C tournaments may use any prior year USA Water Ski Approved Tournament boat equipped with Zero Off (rev R or rev S). The LOC and Chief Driver are responsible to ensure the boat is in good operating condition, including required insurance.
- c. In cases where dual boats are required, both boats must be the same model and year.

CURRENT:

Towboat Use: Model Year

- a) AWSA Nationals, AWSA Regionals, Record Capability (Class E, L, R) tournaments, Class C tournaments may use a 2020 USA Water Ski Approved Tournament Towboat or a prior year 2019, 2018, or 2017 USA Water Ski Approved Tournament Towboat. (Current year plus 3 additional years).
- b) In addition, Class C tournaments may use an “older boat” (2016 or earlier), USA Water Ski Approved Tournament boat equipped with Zero Off, with the approval of their Regional AWSA Towboat Committee member, or Chair(s) of the AWSA Towboat Committee. Primary consideration will be given to the condition of the boat, speed control version, etc.
- c) In all instances where an “older boat” (2016 or earlier) is used, the manufacturer must also have a boat on the approved list for the current year.
- d) In cases where dual boats are required, both boats must be the same model and year.

Proposal to Change Requirements for Retesting

Background

Existing Policy requires an “Unchanged” towboat to be physically retested every three years.

The proposed policy would eliminate the requirement for retesting for a towboat which is unchanged.

PROPOSED:

Unchanged Towboat Model

A specific boat model is unchanged or unmodified if that particular boat model does not meet the criteria for a "New or Modified" Towboat. An unchanged model does not need to retest, unless the model receives a “must improve”, in which case, the model is only approved for one year.

CURRENT:

Unchanged Towboat Model

A specific boat model is unchanged or unmodified if that particular boat model does not meet the criteria for a "New or Modified" Towboat. An unchanged model need only be physically tested every three years, unless the model receives a “must improve”, in which case, the model is only approved for one year.

Proposal to Reimburse Boat Owners for Costs Incurred

Background

Fewer boats are available nationwide to support three event sanctioned tournaments.

Boat owners incur costs to attend events for travel, wear and tear on their tow vehicle, gas, food, hotel, which are not covered, even considering support they might receive from a manufacturer.

This proposal would reimburse boat owners for these costs when their boat is used in a sanctioned event.

New Policy - Reimburse Boat Owners for Costs Incurred for Use

A Local Organizing Committee (LOC) must reimburse a boat owner(s) for use of a boat for any event (excluding Regionals and Nationals), on an hourly basis. This provision includes promo boats, individually owned boats, club owned boats, etc. The recommended reimbursement rate is \$25 (Twenty-Five dollars) per hour of use, recorded from the boat's hour meter. The boat must be an Approved Tournament Towboat with valid insurance as required by USAWSWS. The boat owner has the option to decline reimbursement and/or make other arrangements.

All payments from the LOC to the boat owner are reimbursement for costs incurred and not compensation for tax purposes. Reimbursement by the LOC to the boat owner is separate from any consideration a towboat owner may receive from a manufacturer.

Considerations:

- 1) Reimbursement is in addition to any consideration a towboat owner may receive from a manufacturer.
- 2) Clubs may ultimately increase tournament entry fees. For example, with 40 paid skiers, entry would have to be increased by \$5 per entry.
- 3) May be an incentive for a club or LOC to purchase and use their boat for an event.
- 4) May increase the number of private boat owners that would consider using their boat in an event.
- 5) May reduce some of the cost burden on manufacturers to support three event tournaments.
- 6) Regional and National tournaments are not included. Any reimbursement for Regional and National tournaments will be at the discretion of each manufacturer.

Other Information

Towboat Licensing Fees – The USA Waterski Executive Committee, in consultation with the AWSA Towboat Committee, has revised the fees charged for 3-event towboat testing and licensing.

Policy Manual - The Towboat Policy manual has been restructured and updated. A DRAFT can be found at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/7nl6dm5fk3pdqcy/USA%20Water%20Ski%20AWSA%20Towboat%20Manual%202020%202021%20REV%202020%2012%2008.pdf?dl=0>

USA WATER SKI AND WAKE SPORTS
2018 Sport Discipline Donations
1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018

Description	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Totals
3-Event (AWSA) Elite Team Fund Total	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$300.00	\$350.00	\$775.00
3-Event (AWSA) General Team Fund (All Teams) Total	\$230.00	\$325.00	\$3,020.00	\$200.00	\$3,775.00
3-Event (AWSA) Senior Team Fund Total	\$135.00	\$150.00	\$40.00	\$150.00	\$475.00
3-Event (AWSA) Under 14 Team Fund Total	\$150.00	\$415.00	\$81.00	\$20.00	\$666.00
3-Event (AWSA) Under 17 Team Fund Total	\$200.00	\$270.00	\$31.00	\$0.00	\$501.00
3-Event (AWSA) Under 21 Team Fund Total	\$85.00	\$185.00	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$330.00
SUBTOTAL AWSA	\$2,290.00	\$1,470.00	\$3,482.00	\$770.00	\$8,012.00
Barefoot (ABC) Team Fund Total	\$1,125.00	\$120.00	\$190.00	\$100.00	\$1,535.00
Collegiate (NCWSA) Team Fund Total	\$60.00	\$75.00	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$255.00
Disabled (WSDA) Team Fund Total	\$155.00	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$70.00	\$400.00
Hydrofoil (USHA) Event Development Fund Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Show Ski (NSSA) Team Fund Total	\$10.00	\$95.00	\$36.00	\$0.00	\$141.00
Ski Race (NWSRA) Team Fund Total	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$50.00
USA-WS Sport Develop/GrassRoots Fund Total	\$51.00	\$125.00	\$106.00	\$20.00	\$302.00
Wakeboard (USA-WB) Team Fund Total	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35.00
Grand Total	\$2,236.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,984.00	\$1,020.00	\$9,240.00

Membership and Marketing Committee Report

Ski League Committee Report

Social Media Committee Report

America's Cup Committee Report