



This document will list any rule changes/updates to the Rules after publication as well as clarifications, exceptions for certain tournaments or other Rule-related information and will be updated as is necessary. If you have any questions or you aware of information that should be here as is not, please email Mark Shank, Rules Committee Chair at markshank34@gmail.com.

A. Recent Rule Changes/Clarifications

1. The Council approved a change to Rule 1904 which allows Junior and Under-23 Skiers to ski 3 rounds (rather than 2) at the World Barefoot Tournament in October. This Rule change is still subject to Rule 1909 (A) (1). The new text of the Rule (including an explanatory note) is as follows:

1904: NUMBER OF EVENT ROUNDS

(A) **Three Rounds.** ~~In the Open Divisions~~ Each event shall consist of three rounds; the first round, second round, and third/final round, unless 1909(A)(1) is applied.

~~(B) Junior and Under 23 Divisions. Each even shall consist of of two rounds; the first round and second/final round.~~

~~(B)~~ **Tie Breaking.** A runoff to break a tie shall never be considered a round of competition and scores obtained from tie runoffs shall only be used for the purpose of breaking a tie. Runoff scores are not valid for overall scores, WBC Rankings List, or a record.

2. The Rules Committee has clarified Rule 810 as follows (including the added explanatory note)

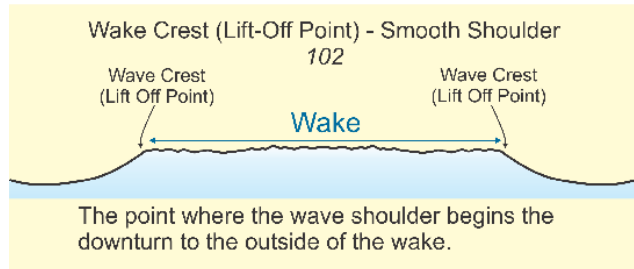
810: STEP-OVER TURNS

(A) **General.** To receive credit for a Step-Over turn the following conditions shall be met:

- (1) **Leg Over Rope.** The turn shall be made on one foot. The traveling foot/leg shall start passing over the rope before the turn has been completed.
- (2) **Water Contact.** The foot that passes over the rope shall contact the water before any other body part.
- (3) **Completion.** The trick shall be completed with the skier displaying the appropriate BSP.
- (4) **Accidental Contact.** Accidental contact with the rope or spray during the step over shall not disallow the trick.

Explanatory Notes: The foot on the water shall never be the sole basis for determining completion of the turn. See Rule 801 (A) (3).

3. There was a error in the “Smooth Shoulder” graphic for Rule 102 on page 3 and page 37 of the Rules. Here is the correct graphic.



These changes will be reflected in the 8/29/2024 Rules version which will be uploaded soon.

B. Responses to questions asked of the Rules Committee.

1. The following question was asked: What is the last date time a score could qualify for the 2024 World Tournament under Rule 2003(A)? The answer is: The deadline is 11:59 p.m. 8 September 2024.
2. The following question was asked: Can a failed one-foot wave be downgraded to either a one-foot or to a wave? Answer: No. See Rule 711.
3. The following question was asked: What are the Teams that are entitled to a team representative? The Rules Committee clarified this as follows: D Team Representative. Person appointed by the Team or Federation to represent their Federation's skiers at the tournament. **"Teams" include Juniors, Open and Under 23/Independents. A person may represent more than one Team.**

This definition has been approved to appear in the 2025 Rules.

Thank you,

Mark Shank, Rules Committee Chair