

# 2025 Edition

## BAREFOOT WATER-SKI TECHNICAL RULES – 2025



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# Chapter 1: Abbreviations and Definitions

## 101: Abbreviations

**BSP:** Barefoot Skiing Position

**LOC:** Local Organizing Committee

**PPG:** Policies Procedures, and Guidelines

**RC:** Record Capable

**RL:** World Rankings List

**RRC:** Records Review Committee

**WBC:** World Barefoot Council,  
[www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com](http://www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com)

## 102: Definitions

**Appointed Officials.** Chief Judge, Chief Scorer, Chief Driver, Chief Video Operator, Homologator, Assistant Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Scorer, Event Judges, Scorers, Drivers, Safety Director, and Tournament Director.

### Barefoot Skiing Position.

**(A) Barefoot Skiing Position (BSP).** Barefoot Skiing Position shall be instantly recognized upon the skier satisfying the following conditions:

**(1) Handle.** The skier has possession of the handle.

**(2) Stable Position.** The skier is riding on the water on one or two bare feet in a stable position and the handle is held in a position that allows the skier's position to be held at will. A stationary position is not required.

**(3) Foot/Feet.** The skier's weight is entirely supported by the foot or feet on the water.

**(B) Neutral BSP.** The skier is on two feet, forward or backward, with both hands gripping the handle.

**(C) Line BSP.** The skier is on one or two feet backward with the handle held only between the legs while gripping the handle with one or two hands.

**(D) One-Foot BSP.**

(1) For the Trick Event, the entire lifted foot shall be at least halfway between the skier's other knee and the water surface.

(2) For the Slalom Event, the skier's lifted foot shall be seen to be clear of the water surface.

**(E) Rope-on-Foot BSP.** The skier shall have both hands free from the handle and the surface of the water and only the lifted foot shall hold the handle. The rope shall be in line with the center of the skier's body.

**(F) Slide Side-Slide BSP.** Both feet are held in a position at least 90 degrees to the path of the towboat.

**Communicator Judge.** The nominated Event Judge for communication between the skier and Boat Crew for the event.

**Event Judges.** Judges assigned to adjudicate the event as per rule 213.

**Equalization Pass.** Equalization passes are taken by the direction of the Chief Judge whenever the Boat Crew has exceeded the turnaround time by a margin that allows conditions to become substantially different from the other competitors in the event.

**Fall.** Any time after the skier signifies their readiness to commence and any one of the following occurs:

(1) The skier loses possession of the handle.

(2) The weight of the skier is not primarily supported by their foot/feet (except where a skier is supported by other parts of the body as prescribed in the official description of a specific trick or after negotiating the jump) and the skier is unable to regain BSP before the end of the pass.

**Force Majeure.** Circumstances beyond the control of all parties, e.g., acts of God such as severe weather.

**Leveling Pass.** Leveling passes, when taken, are taken before the event to ensure the wake is as smooth and symmetrical as possible. During this pass the Boat Crew shall distribute themselves to produce the optimum wake. Top speed, 15 second timer, and all speed measuring devices should also be checked during this pass or on the way to the start dock. A Boat Crew that has previously taken a leveling pass is not required to make another leveling pass.

**Local Organizing Committee (LOC).** The LOC is the committee that organizes the tournament.



**Multiple Turn.** Any surface, line, wake or wake-to-wake turn greater than 180 degrees.

**Policies Procedures, and Guidelines (PPG).** The PPG is the document that contains the policies and procedures for the administration of the sport and conducting of tournaments, skier rankings, codes of conduct and instructions for completing the Homologation Dossier, as may be referenced in the Technical Rules.

**Plant.** When a skier's foot/feet is/are on the water and their foot/feet take(s) their weight in preparation to attain BSP.

**Rankings List (RL).** A periodically updated list of all skiers competing in WBC homologated tournaments and their placement among all other competitors worldwide.

**Record Capability (RC).** RC tournaments are the only WBC recognized events where World Records may be set.

**Record Review Committee (RRC).** The RRC is the committee that reviews the World Barefoot Records and adjudicates the outcome.

### Speed.

**(A) Use of Speed Tolerance.** The Driver must attempt to drive to the exact requested speed and never intentionally use the speed tolerance.

**(B) Course Speed.** The skiers requested speed through the course, +/- the tolerance for the event.

**(C) Start Speed.** The skiers requested speed for the start portion of the pass, +/- the tolerance for the event.

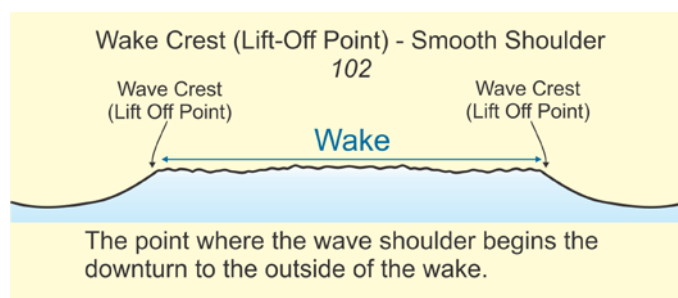
**(D) Planing Speed/RPM.** The skier's requested speed/RPM for planing during the second phase of acceleration up to start or course speed, +/- the tolerance for this phase. 303D.

**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.

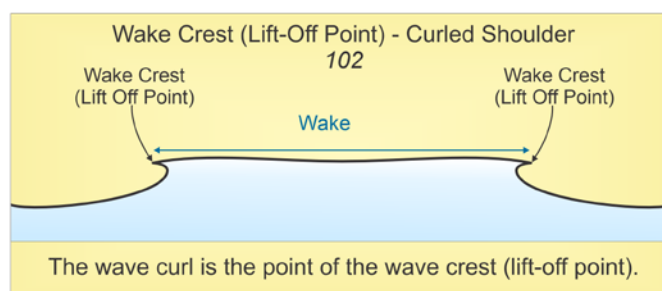
**Wake.** The area of water disturbed by the towboat's passage lying at rope's length between and including the Wake Crests (lift-off points).

**Wake Crest (lift-off point).** The Wake Crest (lift-off point) is the nominal boundary of the wake and shall be the lift-off points for both slalom and trick. For towboats that create extra waves within the wake, the crest of the outermost waves shall be considered the Wake Crest (lift-off point).

**(A) Smooth Shoulder.** If the wake wave has a smooth rounded shoulder, the wave crest (lift-off point) is the point where the wave shoulder begins the downturn to the outside of the wake.



**(B) Curled Shoulder.** If the wake wave has a curled shoulder, the wave curl is the point of the wave crest (lift-off point).



## Chapter 2: General Requirements

### 201: Introduction

These rules become effective on January 1, 2025. They shall govern all World Barefoot Waterski Championships, WBC Record Capability Tournaments, WBC Rankings List Tournaments, and all other WBC Homologated Tournaments thereafter until superseded.

These rules have been drafted in English. In case of conflicting interpretation, only the English text shall be considered authentic **in case of contradictory interpretation**.

### 202: Convention

Using a singular pronoun shall also include the plural and vice versa.

### 203: Exceptions to the Rules

Where compliance with the rules is not feasible, the Chief Judge shall, with the approval of a majority of the Appointed Officials, make the necessary change, inform each skier by posting, and send a report to the WBC. Where the rules are definite and feasible, a vote of the Appointed Officials to decide whether to enforce any provision is prohibited.

### 204: Interpretation of the Rules

**(A) WBC Interpretations.** Questions of interpretation of the rules shall be referred to the WBC Rules Committee Chairman whenever possible. All interpretations approved by the WBC shall be published on the official WBC website [www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com](http://www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com), and are final.

**(B) Chief Judge.** If an interpretation from the WBC is not possible and an interpretation is not contained in the current WBC Rulebook, the Chief Judge shall make an interpretation and report to the WBC concerning the question.

### 205: Rules Revision

It is the WBC's policy to review the rules annually and publish the revised rules (if any) on 1 January of each calendar year. The new rules shall become effective when the WBC publishes them on the official WBC website.

### 206: Amendments to the Rules

**(A) Extraordinary Circumstances.** In extraordinary circumstances, the WBC can amend the rulebook at any time. Rule amendments made before the next January 1st publication of the rulebook shall be approved by a minimum of seven voting members of the WBC and become effective immediately upon publication on the official WBC website.

**(B) Federation Technical Rules.** For WBC RC or RL tournaments, no federation may adopt technical rules that conflict with these WBC technical rules. Wherever such conflicts exist, those conflicting federation technical rule(s) shall not apply, or the scores shall not be valid for submission to WBC.

**(C) Exceptions to the Rules.** In appropriate circumstances, the Council may create exceptions to these Rules, whenever necessary. Such exceptions are effective upon notification via an announcement on the WBC website.

### 207: Rule Change Procedure

**(A) How to Submit.** Any person may submit a proposal to add, edit or delete a requirement of the Technical Rules, via any member of the WBC Rules Committee.

**(B) Proposal Content.** The proposal shall contain the following:

- (1) Identify the rule number to be revised where applicable.
- (2) The text requested to be added, deleted, or revised.
- (3) The reason for the rule change.

**(C) Contact Us.** E-mail to the WBC Rules Committee. The address may be found online at [www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com](http://www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com).

**(D) Approval.** The WBC Rules Committee shall review the proposed change and if approved by the WBC Rules Committee it shall be sent to the WBC for consideration and approval.

**208: New Trick**

To qualify a new trick for inclusion in the next World Championships, application for that new trick shall be submitted to any member of the WBC no less than 120 days before the next World Championships and the WBC shall then adjudicate on them no less than 60 days before the next World Championships. This application shall be in the form of a video recording of the perfect trick accompanied by a written description of the trick, and proposed point value for consideration by the WBC.

**209: Interruptions and Stoppage**

- (A) **Interruptions.** If the tournament is interrupted, it will be restarted as soon as possible without delay.
- (B) **Stoppage.** During a stoppage, the tournament restart shall be announced 10 minutes ahead of time.

**210: Disqualification**

- (A) **Safety Compliance.** Failure of a skier to wear a wet suit, proper protection and flotation under a dry suit or helmet when required shall be cause for immediate disqualification from that round of the event by the Safety Director.
- (B) **Danger to Themselves.** No skier shall be allowed to compete or continue to compete if, in the opinion of the Chief Judge, Safety Director and a majority of the Event Judges, the skier competing would be a danger to themselves or to other skiers in the tournament. Whenever practical the advice of a doctor shall be obtained.
- (C) **Unsportsmanlike Conduct.** A skier may be disqualified by a majority vote of the Appointed Officials due to actions of the skier, parent, spouse or representative who may be charged with unsportsmanlike conduct because of extended or unwarranted harassment of an official or other competitor on behalf of the skier.
- (D) **Detrimental to the Sport.** A skier may be disqualified by a majority vote of the Appointed Officials due to actions considered detrimental to the LOC or actions considered detrimental to the sport of barefoot water skiing.

- (E) **Not Ready at Starting Dock.** Once the starting order is posted, it is the responsibility of the skier to be present at the starting dock in time for their turn. Any skier who fails to be on immediate hand and in condition to ski when the towboat is ready they may be disqualified from that round of the event.
- (F) **Does Not Respond after 10-second Call.** The skier shall indicate their readiness to go after the 10-second call by the Event Judges. Where a skier fails to indicate their readiness to go by the expiry of the 10 seconds, the Communicator Judge shall call "TIME" and raise their hand to indicate the expiration of time. Should the skier not immediately signal the towboat with either the "STOP" or "IN GEAR," followed immediately by "OK" the Communicator Judge shall advise the skier that they have been disqualified for that pass.
- (G) **Emergency Minute.** The disqualification of a skier [1203 or 210] shall be treated as an emergency for the next skier and the next skier shall be granted one emergency minute to prepare to ski. An additional emergency minute shall be granted for each skier in turn that is disqualified.

**211: Results Posting**

- (A) **As Soon As Possible.** Event results, electronic, paper or both shall be officially posted as soon as reasonably possible after the conclusion of the daily events. If the results are not available 30 minutes after the last skier of the day, the official posting shall be delayed (except after the last final) until 30 minutes after the start of the next day's competition proceedings.
- (B) **Time of Posting.** The Chief Judge shall record the official time of posting on the event result sheet (electronic or paper copy).

**212: Replacing Officials**

The Chief Judge is permitted to replace Event Judges and Drivers during an event at their discretion. Such changeovers shall take place between groups.

**213: BOAT CREW****(A) Jump Event****(1) WBC World Rankings List (RL) Tournament.**

The minimum qualifications shall be:

- (a) Boat Judge— Level 3
- (b) Video Judge 1— Level 3
- (c) Video Judge 2— Level 4

**(2) WBC Record Capability (RC) Tournament.**

The minimum qualifications shall be:

- (a) Boat Judge— Level 3
- (b) Video Judge 1— Level 2
- (c) Video Judge 2— Level 3

**(3) World Barefoot Championships.** The minimum qualifications shall be:

- (a) Boat Judge—**Level 1**
- (b) Video Judge 1—**Level 1**
- (c) Video Judge 2—**Level 1**

**(B) Slalom and Trick Event.****(1) WBC World Rankings List (RL) Tournament.**

The minimum qualifications of the Event Judges shall be two Level 3 Judges and one Level 4 Judge. Combinations of other level judges are allowed; however, there shall never be more than one level 4 Judge in the towboat. For single Judge events, a single Level 1 or Level 2 Judge shall be in the towboat.

**(2) WBC Record Capability (RC) Tournament.** The minimum qualifications of the Event Judges shall be one Level 2 Judge, one Level 3 Judge, and one Level 4 Judge. Combinations of other level judges are allowed; however, there shall never be less than one Level 2 Judge and never more than one Level 4 Judge in the towboat. For single Judge events, a single Level 1 or Level 2 Judge shall be in the towboat.**(3) World Barefoot Championships.** There shall be three Level 1 Judges in the towboat. A single Level 1 Judge is permitted to replace the three Judges in the towboat when necessary to attain and maintain a minimum of 72 kph/44.7 mph through the course as required in 1501(A).**214: WBC Rankings List**

**(A) Published List.** The WBC shall publish Rankings List scores for jump distance, slalom crossings, and trick points for all divisions as outlined in the PPG. The Confederations are permitted to recognize Rankings Lists for divisions other than those recognized by the WBC, but those rankings shall have no influence on the WBC World Rankings List.

**(B) Where Set.** Ranking scores shall be set only at tournaments homologated by the WBC, a Confederation, or an Affiliated Federation using a WBC approved scoring program. All skiers and officials shall be registered on that program before the tournament commences.

**(C) Rounds.**

- (1) No more than four rounds per day are permitted in any one competition.
- (2) Rankings List rounds shall be declared before the start of the competition.

**215: Adaptive Performance**

Should any skier with a physical impairment desire adaptation of these rules to allow the said skier to participate in a competition/s conducted in accordance with the WBC Barefoot Water-Ski Technical Rules, the said skier or their appointed representative should seek adoption to the relevant rules in writing, sent to the Chair of the WBC copying the Chair of the WBC Rules Committee.

The requested adaptation to the rules is to provide as much detail as possible regarding what adaptations are being requested, including, reference to existing rules where applicable and how such adaptation to the rules will foster full participation by the impaired skier.

The WBC Rules Committee will consider the request and make a recommendation to the WBC.

The WBC Rules Committee is also empowered to make recommendations regarding the inclusion of adaptive performance rules in the WBC Barefoot Water-Ski Technical Rules for any impaired skier, as circumstances may require from time to time.

**216: Optional 4th Judge**

**(A) Appointment.** In any event the Chief Judge may appoint a 4th Judge from the appointed or reserve judges.

**(B) Duties.** The 4th Judge shall:

- (1) View a live video feed of Tricks or Slalom event in a private location and record each pass.
- (2) Record and judge each pass without consulting or receiving input from others.
- (3) Be alone while judging. Only the Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Chief Scorer and Video Operator may be present.
- (4) Record and judge the event in real time without the benefit of replay or slow motion.
- (5) Make the score sheets immediately available to the Chief Scorer, Chief Judge or Assistant Chief Judge.
- (6) Clearly mark each scoresheet as being from the 4th Judge.

**(C) Score Sheets.** The Score Sheets of the 4th Judge shall be:

- (1) Used only to provide consensus if the scorer cannot determine consensus from the score sheets of the three boat judges. If used to provide consensus, the scorer shall indicate on the boat judges' sheets where the 4<sup>th</sup> Judge's sheets were used to achieve consensus.
- (2) Whenever used, attached to the boat judges' sheets for review.

**(D) No Consensus.** If the scorer(s) are unable to achieve a consensus using the 4th Judge's sheet, then such score sheet shall not be used and the Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, or another judge appointed by the Chief Judge may review the video to determine the final score.

**217: RULE BOOK REVIEW DATES**

When undertaking the WBC Technical Rules **annual review**, the following key dates are the desired schedule.

**(A) 30 June.** This shall be the last day for Rule Changes.

**(B) 30 July.** First Draft of new Rule Book to the WBC **Rules Committee** for review and feedback.

**(C) 30 - August.** Final draft of new Rule Book to the WBC **Council** for approval.

**(D) 10- September.** Last day for comment and approval by WBC **Council**.

**(E) 1- October.** New Rule Book issued to Federations.

**(F) 1 January.** Effective date for new Rule Book.



## Chapter 3: Skier Instructions

### 301: Commands

**(A) Terminology.** When preparing to start from rest, the skier shall communicate with the towboat only with the words “IN GEAR,” “OK,” or “STOP.” The towboat shall only proceed on the “OK” command [1007(B)].

For safety purposes and to ensure proper communication with the towboat, the “STOP” command may be communicated to the Boat Crew by raising one hand, thus visually and verbally communicating the command to the Boat Crew.

**(B) Start of Pass.** A skier is considered to have started the pass once the skier gives the “OK” command to the Boat Crew.

### 302: Jump Event

The skier’s instructions to the Communicator Judge prior to starting a pass shall consist of:

**(A) Point of Attachment.** The skier shall specify the point of rope attachment: “low,” “middle,” or “high.” It is the skier’s responsibility to ensure that the rope is attached at the proper height.

**(B) Rates of Acceleration.** The requested rates of acceleration are “slow,” “medium,” or “fast” for the corresponding three phases: pull out of the water, ride over the bumps/outside the wake, and acceleration to speed.

**(C) Path.** The towboat shall follow a straight path, parallel to and on the left side of the ramp surface in accordance with the skier’s instructions as follows:

**(1) Wide.** The towboat shall pass as close to the outside buoys as feasible but not over the buoy.

**(2) Split.** The towboat shall pass halfway between the two buoys.

**(3) Close.** The towboat shall pass as close to the inside buoys as feasible but not over the buoy.

### (D) Speed.

**(1) Requested Course Speed.** The speed through the jump course shall be requested by the skier in units of 1 kph/1/2mph or the maximum speed of 72 kph/44.7 mph.

**(a) Speed Attained.** That course speed shall be attained not later than when the towboat reaches the jump course entry gates.

**(b) Speed Notification.** On achieving course speed, the driver shall notify the towboat Judge(s) by calling “speed.”

**(c) Course Speed Tolerance.**  
+/- 1.5 kph /1 mph.

### 303: Slalom and Trick Event

The skier’s instructions to the Communicator Judge prior to starting a pass shall consist of:

**(A) Point of Attachment.** The skier shall tell the Event Judges the height of the rope attachment: “low,” “middle,” or “high.” It is the skier’s responsibility to ensure that the rope has been attached to the proper height.

**(B) Start Trick and Declaration of Additional Equipment.** The start trick listed in 604 that the skier proposes to perform and whether the skier intends to use any additional equipment for the second trick pass.

**(C) Rates of Acceleration.** The requested rates of acceleration using only the terms “slow,” “medium” or “fast,” for the three phases: pull out of the water or off the dock, tower, or land; ride over the bumps/outside the wake, and acceleration to speed.

(1) At the skier’s discretion, the second phase may be enlarged with other instructions such as, but not limited to, a planing speed/rpm, out of the wash, plant, or spin around. In the Slalom event failure to comply with the enlarged instructions in this paragraph (1) shall not be grounds for a re-ride.

**(D) Planing Speed.**

- (1) The planing speed/rpm shall be given in units of 1 kph/½ mph/100 rpm.
- (2) Once the planing rpm or speed is achieved it shall be held according to the skier's instructions.
- (3) Immediately following the planing portion of the start, the speed shall be adjusted to the start or course speed.

**(E) Requested Speeds.**

- (1) **Skier Request.** The skier can request differing start and course speeds. The start and course speeds shall be given in units of 1 kph/½ mph.

(a) **Start Speed.** Once start speed has been attained it shall be held according to the skier's instructions.

(b) **Course Speed.** Once the course speed has been attained it shall be held constant until the skier loses possession of the handle or the boat reaches the shut-down buoy.

- (2) **Speed Notification.** On achieving planing, start and course speed, the driver shall notify the towboat Judge(s) by calling "speed."

**(3) Speed Tolerance.**

(a) **Start and Course Speed Tolerance.**

+/-1 kph/½ mph

(b) **Planing Speed/RPM Tolerance.**

+/-5 kph /3 mph /200 rpm.

**(F) Declared First Trick.**

- (1) The skier can declare the BSP the skier intends to enter the course in as well as the first trick. Time shall start at the first movement towards that trick, even if the skier does not complete the trick.
- (2) If the skier declares that the skier will enter the course backward but falls prior to the course and recovers to a forward BSP, it shall start at the first movement toward any trick after the tumble turn recovery.
- (3) If the skier does not declare a BSP or first trick then time shall start at the first movement toward any pass trick listed in Chapter 8.

**(G) Speed Signal for Skier.** The skier may request a signal when the planing, start, and/or course speed is attained.

(1) **Signal.** This signal may take the form of sound, a hand signal, a tap/chop on the rope, or another form of signal recognized by the skier as permitted by the Chief Judge.

(2) **When Signal Not Required.** The requested signal is not required if the skier attempts the start or commences the pass before the start and/or course speed is reached.

**(H) Engine Trim Position.** The skier may request the driver to change the engine trim position from the default position and is responsible for approving its placement before commencing.

**(I) Additional Equipment.** The 38cm tournament supplied handle shall be the default handle for the slalom and trick events. If they desire, the skier may request a 30cm handle before the start of the pass. For the trick event skiers may supply their own handles and additional equipment for each pass.

## Chapter 4: Jump Event

### 401: Start

The skier shall start by means of a deep-water start and shall pass the start-of-course buoy in forward BSP and maintain it to the ramp, both to be judged from the towboat.

### 402: Start of Pass—Jump Attempt

A skier is considered to have started the pass once the skier gives the “OK” command to the Event Judges in accordance with 301(B).

### 403: Passes—Jumps

- (A) **Number of Jumps.** In each round each skier shall be allowed three registered jumps.
- (B) **Exceptional Circumstances.** In exceptional circumstances the Chief Judge and the Appointed Officials are authorized to vote to **may by majority vote** reduce the number of jumps for a round to a minimum of two and post a notification before the start of the round affected.
- (C) **Skier Loses Helmet.** If a skier loses their helmet during the start or before reaching the jump ramp, the towboat shall immediately stop unless it's unsafe to do so. Should it be unsafe for the towboat to stop, the skier shall ski past the jump whenever possible, and this jump shall be registered as a Fall. These are not grounds for disqualification from the remainder of the event.

### 404: Credit for Registered Jumps

- (A) **Jump Registered.** All jump attempts not annulled by a re-ride shall be registered jumps.
- (B) **BSP after Jump.** After landing a jump, the skier may release the handle at any time after attaining BSP.
- (C) **End of Course.** Once the Boat Crew has recognized BSP after a landed jump, he may request the Driver to start slowing the towboat.
- (D) **Departure Point.** After each jump the skier shall be dropped into the water and ride back to the departure point in the towboat.

### 405: Disallowed Jump and Registered Fall

- (A) **Disallowed Jump.** A jump shall be disallowed if the towboat speed through the jump course is judged to have exceeded 73.5 kph/45.7 mph as checked by a GPS speed-measuring device while the skier is in possession of the handle and prior to BSP being recognized after the jump.
- (B) **Registered Fall.** A jump shall be registered as a Fall if:
  - (1) **BSP Prior to Ramp.** The skier does not attain BSP by the start-of-course gate buoys and/or fails to maintain BSP through the course to the ramp.
  - (2) **BSP after Ramp.** The skier does not attain BSP before the end-of-course buoy.
  - (3) **Contact with Ramp.** Any part of the skier other than the feet contacts the ramp.
  - (4) **Loss of Helmet.** The skier loses their helmet before reaching the jump ramp.
- (C) **Chief Judge Adjudicates.** The Chief Judge shall be called upon to adjudicate if the Event Judges are unable to make an immediate ruling.

### 406: Scoring

The skier's longest registered jump distance in a round shall be declared the skier's score for that round.

### 407: Jump Measurement and Calculation

A WBC approved video jump-measurement program shall be used to obtain jump distances and shall produce results that are reproducible on readily available systems. The distance gleaned from the video will be final. See WBC Rules for systems.

### 408: Distance

- (A) **Points of Measurement.** Jump distances shall be measured from a point on the surface of the water perpendicularly below the center of the top edge of the ramp, to the point of contact closest to the ramp.



- (B) **Measurement Increments.** Jump distances shall be scored in increments of one-tenth of a meter.
- (C) **Skier Not Making Landing Box.** In the case of a successful jump that is unreadable due to the skier not making it to the landing box, the distance awarded shall be the lowest distance readable on the screen, minus one-tenth meter.
- (D) **Skier Exceeding Landing Box.** In the case of a successful jump that is unreadable due to the skier jumping past the landing box, the distance that shall be awarded will be the longest readable distance on the screen, plus one-tenth meter.
- (E) **Malfunction.** Should a malfunction of the jump measuring equipment render an otherwise valid jump to be unreadable, the skier shall be offered an optional re-ride [1003(F)] or the lowest distance readable on the screen, minus one-tenth meter.

#### 409: Officials

##### (A) Judges.

- (1) **Boat Judge.** One Event Judge shall ride in the towboat to observe towboat path, course speed, and the skier's performance in relation to maintaining BSP from the start-of-course buoy, over the ramp, and regaining BSP after the landing before the end-of-course buoy, and the Driver's compliance with the skier's instructions.

- (2) **Video Judges.** There shall be two Event Judges stationed at the video monitor who shall agree on the positioning of the cursor. If necessary, the Event Judges shall use the video replay facility to determine the landing point. If the two Event Judges disagree, a third Appointed Judge shall be called in and shall position the cursor. The median value among the three distance readouts shall be taken as the official jump distance.

- (3) **Agreement.** By observing the speed measuring devices, the Driver and Boat Judge shall agree that the skier received their requested speed through the course.

- (B) **Speed Adjudicator.** A Speed Adjudicator may ride in the towboat to verify the boat speed via GPS. In the event of a disagreement between the Driver and Boat Judge, the speed recorded on the Speed Adjudicator's GPS shall be used. Any Boat Judge may also act as speed adjudicator.

- (C) **Safety Swimmer.** A safety swimmer wearing a life vest and trained in water rescue and a floating stretcher/backboard shall be located adjacent to the jump ramp during the jump event.

# Chapter 5: Slalom Event

## 501: Passes

The skier shall attain BSP by any start trick listed in 604 and the skier may reverse direction before starting the pass.

**(A) Two 15-Second Passes.** In each round, each skier shall be allowed two 15-second passes through the slalom course, during which the skier may earn points.

**(B) Passes in the Same Direction.** If all or any portion of two passes are made in the same direction (forward or backward) then the points for the lower-scoring pass or portion of the pass shall be calculated at 25 percent of the scored value rounded to two decimal places (.01).

**Table 501(B). Forward Slalom Pass Value after 25% Multiplier Applied**

Score	Applied	Score	Applied	Score	Applied	Score	Applied
0.1	0.03	2.1	0.53	4.1	1.03	6.1	1.53
0.2	0.05	2.2	0.55	4.2	1.05	6.2	1.55
0.3	0.08	2.3	0.58	4.3	1.08	6.3	1.58
0.4	0.10	2.4	0.60	4.4	1.10	6.4	1.60
0.5	0.13	2.5	0.63	4.5	1.13	6.5	1.63
0.6	0.15	2.6	0.65	4.6	1.15	6.6	1.65
0.7	0.18	2.7	0.68	4.7	1.18	6.7	1.68
0.8	0.20	2.8	0.70	4.8	1.20	6.8	1.70
0.9	0.23	2.9	0.73	4.9	1.23	6.9	1.73
1.0	0.25	3.0	0.75	5.0	1.25	7.0	1.75
1.1	0.28	3.1	0.78	5.1	1.28	7.1	1.78
1.2	0.30	3.2	0.80	5.2	1.30	7.2	1.80
1.3	0.33	3.3	0.83	5.3	1.33	7.3	1.83
1.4	0.35	3.4	0.85	5.4	1.35	7.4	1.85
1.5	0.38	3.5	0.88	5.5	1.38	7.5	1.88
1.6	0.40	3.6	0.90	5.6	1.40	7.6	1.90
1.7	0.43	3.7	0.93	5.7	1.43	7.7	1.93
1.8	0.45	3.8	0.95	5.8	1.45	7.8	1.95
1.9	0.48	3.9	0.98	5.9	1.48	7.9	1.98
2.0	0.50	4.0	1.00	6.0	1.50	8.0	2.00

- (C) **Combination Backward/Forward Pass.** If during a backward pass a skier, for whatever reason, changes to the forward position, the skier may recommence crossing forward and receive credit for those forward crossings as set out in 501(B).

### 502: Start of Recording

- (A) **First Movement.** The Boat Judge(s) shall start the audible timing device and recording the skier's first movement toward the wake from BSP outside the wake.

(1) **Away from Wake.** If the skier skis away from the wake before starting to cross (i.e., to attack the wake or gain momentum), this will not be held to be a first movement toward the wake, and the pass shall not start until the skier turns and moves back toward the wake.

(2) **Drifting into Wake.** Drifting into the curl of the wake following the start shall not be considered a first movement toward the wake.

- (B) **Testing Speed.** A positioning trick or testing the speed with a one-foot need not be declared.

### 503: End of Pass

- (A) **Shutdown Buoy.** If the towboat passes the shutdown buoy before the 15 seconds have elapsed, the Driver shall smoothly close the throttle and maintain a safe path until the towboat stops. The skier may continue executing crossings while the towboat is slowing down and the Event Judges shall continue to record them, noting when the timing device sounds the end of the 15 seconds.

### 504: Credit

- (A) **Skier Responsibility.** It is the responsibility of the skier to show the Event Judge(s) that the crossing was performed according to the Rules.

#### (B) Two-Foot Crossing.

(1) **Full.** A perfect two-foot crossing is credited when the skier has crossed the entire wake in Two-Foot BSP.

(2) **Partial.** The skier shall receive credit for a partial two-foot when the:

- Crossing in progress is interrupted by the expiry of time.
- In the case of a skier losing the handle during a crossing, the skier shall receive credit for a two-foot crossing up to the point of losing BSP.
- Imperfect one-foot crossing. A two-foot crossing, or partial two-foot crossing, shall also be credited if the skier crosses, but fails to meet the requirements of paragraph 504(C)(1).

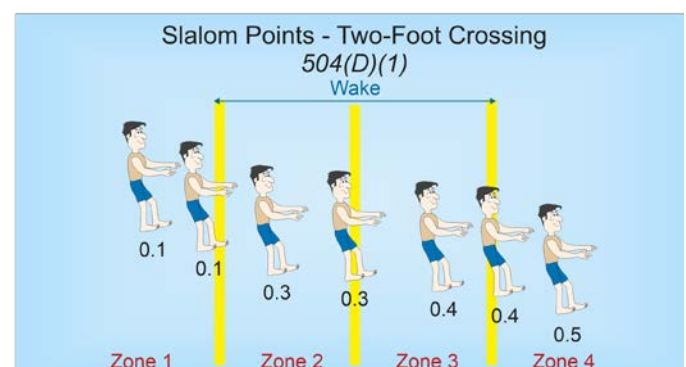
#### (C) One-Foot Crossing.

(1) **Full.** A perfect one-foot crossing shall be credited when the skier has crossed the entire wake with the lifted foot/leg completely clear of the water before the lift-off point of the first wake wave and remaining clear until the skiing foot has completely passed the lift-off point of the second wake wave.

(2) **Crossing Back.** The skier turns back during the crossing and exits the wake without first having crossed over the entire wake in BSP. The skier may continue crossings and scoring re-commences only from BSP outside the wake.

(D) **Points Scored.** Points shall be awarded for full and partial crossings made during the pass as follows:

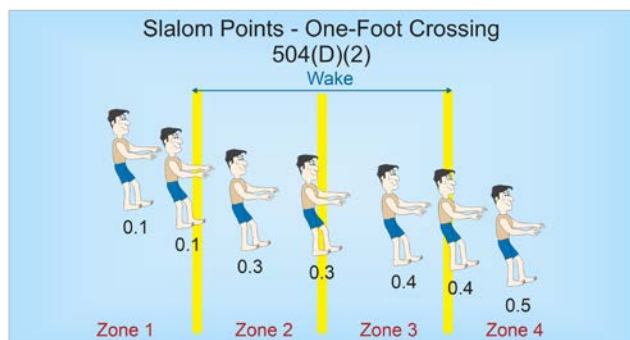
#### (1) Two-Foot Crossings.



- A full two-foot crossing shall be scored as 0.5 points (Zone 4).
- A partial two-foot crossing shall be scored as follows:

- (1) 0.1 points if the skier is moving toward the wake, but not yet having past the lift-off point of the first wake wave with both feet (Zone 1).
- (2) 0.3 points if the skier has passed the lift-off point of the first wake wave but has not passed the center of the wake with both feet (Zone 2).
- (3) 0.4 points if the skier has passed the center of the wake but has not passed the lift-off point of the second wake wave with both feet (Zone 3).

## (2) One-Foot Crossings.



- (a) A perfect one-foot crossing shall be scored as 1.0 points (Zone 4).
- (b) A partial one-foot crossing shall be scored as follows:
  - (1) 0.2 points if the skier is moving toward the wake, but not yet having past the lift-off point of the first wake wave with the supporting foot (Zone 1).
  - (2) 0.6 points if the skier has passed the lift-off point of the first wake wave but has not passed the center of the wake with the supporting foot (Zone 2).
  - (3) 0.8 points if the skier has passed the center of the wake but has not passed the lift-off point of the second wake wave with the supporting foot (Zone 3).

- (c) An imperfect one-foot crossing shall be scored as a two-foot crossing.

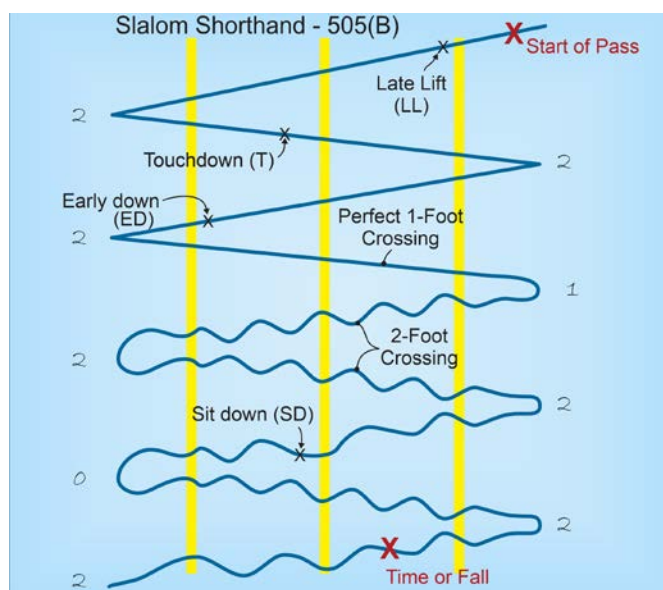
**(E) Scoring Zero.** The crossing in which the skier is engaged shall score zero if:

- (1) **Loses BSP.** The skier loses BSP but retains the handle during the crossing.
- (2) **Crossing Back.** The skier turns back during the crossing and exits the wake without first crossing over the entire wake in BSP with the supporting or trailing foot touching the water in Zone 4. The skier may continue crossings and scoring re-commences only from neutral BSP outside.

## 505: Scoring

**(A) Simple Majority.** The Scorers shall receive the score sheet(s) and decide the crossings to be scored, based on a majority from among the Event Judges' individual score sheets. Points shall be awarded for full and partial crossings made during the pass as set out in 504.

**(B) Imperfect One-Foot Crossing.** Downgrading an imperfect one-foot crossing to a two-foot crossing requires a majority of the Event Judges agreeing on the same fault zone for that crossing. The three fault zones shall be as follows:



- (1) Late Lift (LL).** A late lift shall be recorded when the skier's lifted foot touches the water surface between the lift-off points before the supporting foot reaches the first lift-off point of the wake wave.
- (2) Touch (T).** A touch shall be recorded when the skier's lifted foot touches the water surface between the lift-off points while the supporting foot is between the lift-off points of the wake waves.
- (3) Early Down (ED).** An early down shall be recorded when the skier's lifted foot touches the water surface beyond the second lift-off point while the supporting foot has yet to clear the second lift-off point of the wake waves.
- (C) No Majority.** In the case of no majority on any fault zone of a one-foot crossing, the crossing shall score as a one-foot crossing.
- (D) Expiration of Time.** The end of scoring zone shall be determined by a majority of two or more Event Judges agreeing on the same zone.
- (1) In the case of three Event Judges recording three different zones for the end of scoring zone, the end of scoring zone shall be determined from video review.
  - (2) Where video is unavailable for review, the end of scoring zone shall be determined by the highest zone that has an agreement between two Event Judges.
- (B) Continue Recording.** Event Judge(s) shall continue to record crossings made after the expiry of the 15 seconds, regardless of the speed or path of the towboat.
- (C) After Pass Ends.** Supplements to this record for which there was an insufficient opportunity during the pass, or the correction of writing errors or misconceptions may be made after the pass ends, but only before the sheet is discussed for scoring in the boat or handed over to the Scorers, except as permitted in video review [1303(A)].
- (1) Additions or corrections shall not be made to the score sheet once the sheet has been discussed or handed over to the Scorers.
  - (2) Except as permitted in 506(E) or 1010, there shall not be any communication of the score sheets with the other Event Judges until after the event's protest period has expired.
- (D) Judging.** The Event Judge(s) shall independently decide and record with respect to each crossing the following:
- (1) Where the crossing started and ended.
  - (2) Whether the crossing was a two-foot, imperfect one-foot, or perfect one-foot crossing.
  - (3) If the crossing was an imperfect one-foot crossing i.e., the skier lifted up late, touched down between the lift-off points of the wake, or put down early, this shall be clearly marked on the score sheet at the place where it occurs.
  - (4) Whether the crossing was a partial one-foot or partial two-foot crossing.
  - (5) The reason for the ending if a partial crossing.
  - (6) If the crossing was performed according to the Rules.
- (E) Boat Scoring.** When authorized by the Chief Judge and only after completing their sheets, the Event Judges shall communicate with each other to arrive at a majority and to convey that provisional score to the Scorer.

### 506: Officials

- (A) Recording.** Event Judge(s) shall watch and using slalom shorthand shall independently record the identity and success of each crossing made by the skier as it's performed and note the exact position of the skier at the start and end of the pass.



## Chapter 6: Start Tricks

### 601: General

- (A) **Number of Passes.** In each round, each skier shall be allowed two passes through the trick course during which the skier can earn start points at the beginning of each pass.
- (B) **Skier Persists.** The skier is permitted to persist with the start until the towboat passes the shut-down buoy and comes to rest.
- (C) **Credited.** The skier shall be credited with the first successfully completed start trick in each pass. A skier who is unable to complete another start attempted but who eventually skis away shall be credited for a front deep to two (or front deep to one), if the criteria in 601 (D) are met and may also receive credit for a flyer bonus on the front deep if applicable.
- (D) **One-Foot Start.** During a one-foot start, the lifted foot shall not support the skier's weight before One-Foot BSP has been recognized. If, in the opinion of the event judge(s), the lifted foot becomes a supporting foot before One-Foot BSP has been recognized, the start shall be downgraded to the two-foot start only if the criteria of the two-foot version in accordance with 604 was satisfied.

### 602: Scoring

To receive credit for two starts in a round, the skier shall successfully perform two different starts listed in Rule 604.

Start Points - 602					
	Two Feet	One Foot	Flyer Bonus	Tower Bonus	360 Bonus
Front Deep	50	100	50	100	50
Front Toe-Up		400	100	200	
Front Tumble	100	150	50	100	50
Back Deep	200	500	100	200	
Back Toe-Up		450	50	200	
Back Tumble	400	700	100	200	
Back Line	400		100	250	

- (A) **Successful Start.** The points for a successful start trick shall be credited whether the subsequent trick pass is credited.

- (B) **Failed Start.** A failed start trick shall not affect the scoring of subsequent pass tricks.
- (C) **Repeated Two-Foot Start.** Where a two-foot start has been repeated, only the higher-paying start shall be credited.
- (D) **Repeated One-Foot Start.** Where a one-foot start has been repeated:
- (1) The higher-paying start shall be credited.
  - (2) The repeated start shall be downgraded to a two-foot start and credited if the criterion of the two-foot version was satisfied and that version was not previously credited.

### 603: Dock, Tower, or Land Start (Flyer)

- (A) **Dock, Tower, or Land Start (Flyer).** A dock, tower, or land start (flyer) shall only be permitted on the first pass.
- (B) **Towboat Action.**
- (1) **Remain at Starting Dock.** The towboat shall remain at the starting dock, tower, or land until the 10-second call.
  - (2) **At 10-Second Call.** At the 10-second call from the Communicator Judge, the towboat shall go into and remain in gear at idle or at requested speed until the "OK" or "STOP" command is received from the skier.
- (C) **Credit Conditions.** To receive credit for a dock, tower, or land (flyer) start, the following shall be complied with:
- (1) **Boat Movement.** The skier's instructions shall ensure that the towboat is accelerating when they hit the water after leaping off the dock, land, or tower.
  - (2) **Takeoff.** The skier shall take at least one hop, skip, or step on the dock, tower, or land and propel himself up and out from the dock, tower, or land; there shall be an instant when the whole of the skier is clearly above the point of takeoff. During a land start, the skier may contact the water before propelling themselves up and out.

- (3) **Backward Dock or Tower Start.** The skier shall be facing in the direction of travel of the towboat and is not permitted to trail the handle and line between the legs. On signaling their readiness to go by the “OK” command, the skier shall complete the handle pass while the skier is in the air, while at the same time turning to the backward position before landing on the water. This Rule does not apply to Line Back Starts.
- (4) **360 Dock or Tower Start.** From the Dock or Tower, the skier shall complete a 360 turn and pass the handle from hand to hand, before landing on the water. The rotation must not commence until the skier’s last step and the handle pass must occur while the skier is airborne. The bonus for this 360 Start will be earned after the rotation is complete and both hands are on the handle in the forward position, provided the start meets the requirements of Rule 604.

### 604: Start Trick Descriptions

The skier shall attain BSP by means of any of the following starts:

- (A) **Front Deep-to-Two.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first, with their body facing upwards, up to the skier’s requested speed. The skier shall then place both feet onto the water and raise themselves to forward BSP.
- (B) **Front Deep-to-One.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first up-to-speed according to their instructions with their body facing upwards. The skier shall then place one foot onto the water and raise themselves forward to One-Foot BSP. The lifted foot shall not support the skier’s weight before One-Foot BSP has been recognized. If the skier fails to satisfy 601(D) before One-Foot BSP has been recognized the start shall be downgraded to a front deep-to-two provided it meets the requirements of 604(A).
- (C) **Back Deep-to-Two.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first up-to-speed according to their instructions with their body facing downwards and the handle held behind their back. The skier shall then place both feet onto the water and raise themselves to backward BSP.
- (D) **Back Deep-to-One.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first up-to-speed according to their instructions with their body facing downwards and the handle held behind their back. The skier shall then place one foot onto the water and raise themselves to backward One-Foot BSP. If the skier fails to satisfy 601(D) before One-Foot BSP has been recognized the start shall be downgraded to a back deep-to-two provided it meets the requirements of 604(C).
- (E) **Front Tumble-to-Two.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled headfirst with their legs trailing behind him up-to-speed according to their instructions. The skier may come out of the water on their stomach or back. While on the skier’s back, the skier shall then swing their legs around from the trailing position to the forward position and raise themselves to a forward Two-Foot BSP. During the rotation the skier may hesitate, pause, overshoot, or reverse direction.
- (F) **Front Tumble-to-One.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled headfirst with their legs trailing behind him up-to-speed according to their instructions. The skier may come out of the water on their stomach or back. While on the skier’s back, the skier shall then swing their legs around from the trailing position to the forward position and then place one foot onto the water and raise themselves to forward One-Foot BSP. During the rotation the skier may hesitate, pause, overshoot, or reverse direction. If the skier fails to satisfy 601(D) before One-Foot BSP has been recognized the start shall be downgraded to a front tumble-to-two provided it meets the requirements of 604(E).

- (G) Back Tumble-to-Two.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled headfirst, on their back, side or front, with their legs trailing behind them while holding the handle behind their back, up-to-speed according to their instructions. While on their stomach the skier shall swing their legs round from the trailing position to the forward position and raise themselves to a backward Two-Foot BSP. During the rotation the skier may hesitate, pause, overshoot, or reverse direction.
- (H) Back Tumble-to-One.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled headfirst, on their back, side or front, with their legs trailing behind him while holding the handle behind their back, up-to-speed according to their instructions. While on the skier’s stomach the skier shall swing their legs around from the trailing position to the forward position and raise themselves to a backward One-Foot BSP. During the rotation the skier may hesitate, pause, overshoot, or reverse direction. If the skier fails to satisfy 601(D) before One-Foot BSP has been recognized the start shall be downgraded to a back tumble-to-two provided it meets the requirements of 604(G).
- (I) Front Rope-on-Foot.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first up-to-speed according to their instructions. The skier’s body shall be facing upwards, pulled entirely by the foot in the toe-strap of their handle. Both feet are permitted to touch the toe-strap. The skier shall then place their free foot onto the water and raise themselves to forward Rope-on-Foot BSP.

The hands are permitted to touch the water surface or spray during the start. The hands shall not touch the handle during the entirety of the start. The skier may steady themselves by holding the leg while the towboat accelerates and/or when or rising into BSP. The hands shall be seen to be clear of the handle and the water surface long enough for recognition. Subsequent recovery of the handle is not a requirement.

- (J) Back Rope-on-Foot (Toe-Up).** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first up-to-speed according to their instructions. The skier’s body shall be facing upward or downward, pulled entirely by the foot in the toe-strap of their handle. Both feet are permitted to touch the toe-strap. From a position on their stomach, the skier shall place their free foot onto the water and raise themselves to backward Rope-on-Foot BSP.

The hands are permitted to touch the water surface or spray during the start. The hands shall not touch the handle during the entirety of the start. The hands shall be seen to be clear of the handle and the water surface long enough for recognition. Subsequent recovery of the handle is not a requirement.

- (K) Line Back Deep.** On the “OK” command, the skier shall be pulled feet first up to speed according to their instructions with their body facing downwards and the handle being held with both hands between their legs in the line position. The skier shall then place both feet onto the water and raise themselves to Line BSP.



## Chapter 7: Pass Trick—General Requirements

### 701: Passes

In each round, each skier shall be allowed two 15-second passes through the trick course during which the skier may earn pass trick points in accordance with 712.

### 702: Start of Time and Recording

- (A) **First Movement.** The Event Judge(s) shall start the 15-second timing device and record the skier's first movement toward any pass trick listed in Chapter 8, as per any instructions declared in accordance with 303(F).
- (B) **Changing Grip.** The action of changing the grip or how the handle is held in preparation for commencing a trick (e.g., taking the handle between the legs in preparation for a line position trick, holding the handle by the toe strap in preparation for neck or teeth trick) shall never be considered a "first movement" towards a trick.
- (C) **Incidental Motions.** Incidental movements, such as but not limited to, a celebratory fist pump after the start, removing weed from feet, adjusting neck brace or wiping the skiers face/head, shall never start the 15-second timer.

### 703: End of TIME

- (A) **Audible Timing Device.** The sound of an audible timing device shall mark the end of the 15-second pass.
- (B) **Shutdown Buoy.** If the towboat passes the shutdown buoy before the 15 seconds have elapsed, the Driver shall smoothly close the throttle and maintain a safe path until the towboat stops. The skier may continue executing tricks while the towboat is slowing down and the Event Judges shall continue to record them, noting when the timing device sounds the end of the 15 seconds.

### 704: Credit for Tricks

Pass tricks are credited in two phases, according to technical and logical criteria.

### (A) Technical Criteria.

- (1) The technical criteria are the descriptions contained in Chapter 8 and are applied by the Event Judges.
- (2) Tricks are assessed in isolation without regard to what happens before or after them.

(B) **Logical Criteria.** After technical approval, tricks are examined in the light of logical criteria, which involve the relationships to other tricks and the setting of the trick in the two-pass round.

### 705: Skier Responsibility

- (A) **Make Action Clear.** The skier shall make each action and movement clear to the Event Judge(s), that each trick was performed according to the Rules.
- (B) **Maintain BSP.** The skier shall display appropriate BSP at the start, during, and at the end of tricks.
- (C) **Equipment.** It is the skier's responsibility to declare extra equipment pursuant to Rule 303(BI).

### 706: Loss of BSP

- (A) **Fall During Trick.** If a skier Falls before the trick being recognized, the trick will not be credited.
- (B) **Loss of BSP and Recovery via Tumble Turn.**
- (1) If the skier loses BSP before the trick being recognized and recovers to BSP with less than a 90-degree tumbleturn, the trick may be credited, the tumbleturn recovery shall not be credited and the skier may continue their trick pass. The rotation of all surface turns must be completed on the feet.
  - (2) If the skier loses BSP before the trick being recognized and recovers to BSP with a greater than 90-degree tumbleturn, neither the trick nor tumbleturn recovery shall be credited, but the skier may continue their trick pass.
  - (3) If the skier loses BSP between tricks due to neither trick but regains BSP, the skier may continue their trick pass.

**707: Repeating Failed Tricks**

A failed trick may be immediately reattempted until the trick has been credited or time expires. The turn rotation rule 803 shall not apply when repeating a failed turn trick.

**708: Trick After Expiration of Time**

Tricks not completed before the end of the pass shall not be credited. Tricks commenced after the expiry of time shall not be considered and shall bear no influence in deliberations of the validity of the last trick completed in time.

**709: Reverse Tricks**

- (A) **Reverse Trick.** A reverse trick shall immediately follow the basic trick.
- (B) **Basic and Reverse.** A basic and reverse performed in different passes shall not both be credited.
- (C) **Failed Basic.** The reverse shall not be disallowed simply because it follows an attempted basic trick that has not been credited or because the basic trick is a repeated trick.
- (D) **Credit Basic and Reverse.** A basic and reverse trick correctly performed, shall be eligible for scoring even if one or both are repeat(s) of trick(s) previously performed in the same or the other pass. Such previously scored trick(s) shall then be annulled unless this conflicts with the highest scoring sequence rule 712(B).
- (E) **Opposite Foot/Hand.** The reverse of a one-foot, one-foot hop, rope-in-teeth one-foot, rope-on-neck one-foot, Rope-on-Foot, rope-on-foot turn, sit down-stand up one-foot, wave, one-foot-wave, or tumbleturn one-foot trick shall be on the opposite foot/hand.

**710: Simultaneous Tricks**

If two tricks are performed simultaneously, only the higher scoring of the two tricks shall score unless that trick has previously been scored, in which case the lower-scoring trick shall score.

**711: Precursory Tricks**

- (A) **One-Foot.** When executing a one-foot trick, if the skier makes any moves toward any other trick, then that One-Foot trick shall not be credited as a trick, regardless of the success or failure of the subsequent trick.
- (B) **Wave.** When executing a wave trick, or One-Foot Wave trick, if the skier makes any movement towards any other trick, then that wave trick or One-Foot Wave trick shall not be credited as a trick, regardless of the success or failure of the subsequent trick.
- (C) **One-Foot BSP.** Continuing to hold one-foot, wave, or one-foot wave BSP after completing any trick shall never be paid as a one-foot, wave or one-foot-wave trick, regardless of the success or failure of the previous trick.
- (D) **Rope-on-Foot.**
  - (1) When executing a Rope-on-Foot, once the skier makes any move toward a Rope-on-Foot turn, or Rope-on-Foot Sit Down Stand Up, then a Rope-on-Foot trick shall not be credited, regardless of whatever happens to the subsequent trick.
  - (2) Holding Rope-on-Foot BSP after **attempting** completing a Rope-on-Foot turn or Rope-on-Foot Sit-Down Stand-Up trick shall never be paid as a Rope-on-Foot, whether the turn trick succeeded.
  - (3) To receive credit for a Rope-on-Foot trick immediately before or following a Rope-on-Foot turn, or a Rope-on-Foot sit down stand up, the skier must return to neutral BSP before executing the trick.

**712: Scoring—Trick Point Values**

**(A) Scoring Process.** The Scorers shall receive the score sheets and points shall be awarded for tricks made during the pass in accordance with the Trick Point Values Table 712(A). In the event of a discrepancy, the Scorers shall decide the tricks to be scored based a majority from among the Event Judge’s individual score sheets as to:

- (1) The tricks performed.
- (2) If the tricks were performed according to the logical rules governing those tricks.
- (3) If any downgrades apply.
- (4) The last trick completed before time expired.

	Trick Point Values - 712(A)				
	Surface Tricks		Wake Tricks		Wake-to Wake
	Two Foot	One Foot	Two Foot	One Foot	
<b>General</b>					
Hop Backward	100*		150§		250§
Hop Forward	20*		30§		100§
Hop/Switch Backward	150				
Hop/Switch Forward	50				
Knee Skiing	30				
One Foot Backward		100*			
One Foot Forward		30			
One Hand One Foot Backward		150			
One Hand One Foot Forward		50			
Rope in Teeth	20	50			
Rope on Neck	20	50			
Side Slide - Backward	450§				
Side Slide - Forward	200§				
Side Slide Switch	600§				
Sit Down/Stand Up	20	40			
Toe Sit Down/Stam Up		200			
Somersault (Flip)	700		850		1200
Toe Hold Backward		200			
Toe Hold Forward		100			
Tumble 180	50	100			
Tumble 360	50	100			
Wave	10				
<b>Turns - Surface</b>					
180 Back-to-Front	200	500	450	800	800
180 Front-to-Back	250	400	700	800	900
360 Back-to-Back	500	1000	1200	1600	1400
360 Front-to-Front*	500/1500*	1000	1200	1600	1400
540 Back-to-Front		800	1500		
540 Front-to-Back		800	1500		
720 Back-to-Back		1000	1900		
720 Front-to-Front		1000	1900		
<b>Turns - Step-Over</b>					
Step-Over 180 Back-to-Front	450		700		
Step-Over 180 Front-to-Back	600				
Step-Over 360 Back-to-Back	1100				
Step-Over 360 Front-to-Front	1100				
Step-Over 540 Back-to-Front	1700				
Step-Over 540 Front-to-Back	1700				
Step-Over 720 Back-to-Back	2200				
Step-Over 720 Front-to-Front	2200				
<b>Turns - Rope-on-Foot</b>					
Toe Back-to-Front		900		1700	
Toe Back-to-Front Toe Start Recovery		300			
Toe Front-to-Back		400		800	

**\*Bonus Trick - 713(A)**  
 Front Hop 1-foot 50  
 Back Hop 1-foot 100  
 Back Hop 2' Line 100  
 Back Hop 1' Line 200  
 Line 1-foot 100  
 § One only i.e. no reverse

**Start Points - 602**

	Two Feet	One Foot	Flyer Bonus	Tower Bonus	360 Bonus
Front Deep	50	100	50	100	50
Front Toe-Up		400	100	200	
Front Tumble	100	150	50	100	50
Back Deep	200	500	100	200	
Back Toe-Up		450	50	200	
Back Tumble	400	700	100	200	
Back Line	400		100	250	

**(B) Highest Scoring Sequence.** The highest scoring sequence of tricks that complies with all rotation rules shall be used for scoring a trick pass.

**(C) Performed One-Foot Trick.** A correctly performed one-foot trick previously performed in the same or the other pass shall be down-graded to a two-foot trick if it satisfies all the criteria for the two-foot version. The previously scored trick shall remain unless this conflicts with the highest scoring sequence rule 712(B).

**713: Bonus Actions**

**(A) Bonus Values.** The following pass tricks shall carry a bonus value (basic and reverse one foot only), which are treated as separate from the whole trick and shall be judged and scored as bonuses:

- (1) Hop-Front (One Foot BSP)—50 points\*
- (2) Hop-Back (One Foot BSP)—100 points\*
- (3) Hop-Back (Line BSP)—100 points
- (4) Hop-Back One Foot (Line BSP)—200 points\*
- (5) One Foot (Line BSP)—100 points\*

\*Bonus is permitted for either foot, thus allowing two one-foot tricks with bonus credit.

**(B) Double Credit.** A skier cannot be credited with a trick and then credited again with the repeated trick and the bonus. When a skier performs a trick and repeats the trick with the bonus, the skier will only be credited with the bonus points for the repeated trick.

**714: Officials**

**(A) Recording.** The Boat Judge(s) shall watch and independently record each trick attempted by the skier and decide with respect to each trick:

- (1) If it was performed in accordance with the technical rules governing that trick.
- (2) If any downgrades apply to the trick.
- (3) If the trick was completed before the expiry of time.

**(B) Written Record.** The Boat Judge(s) shall make a written record, in accordance with the Trick Shorthand Table, of the identity and success or failure of each trick as it's performed. This record shall note the direction of a turn, bonus actions, and on which foot when a one-foot trick has been performed, and which hand when a one-hand trick has been performed.

Tricks Shorthand Table - 714(B)									
	Surface Tricks				Wake Tricks				Wake-to-Wake
	Two Foot		One Foot		Two Foot		One Foot		
	Basic	Rev	Basic	Rev	Basic	Rev	Basic	Rev	
<b>General</b>									
Hop	Λ		Λ>	<Λ	Λ <sub>v</sub>				Λ <sub>w</sub>
Hop/Switch	L>	<L							
Knee Skiing	K								
One Foot			>	<					
Rope in Teeth	T		T>	<T					
Rope on Neck	N		N>	<N					
Side Slide-Backward	BSS								
Side Slide-Forward	SS								
Side Slide Switch	SSS								
Sit Down Stand Up	SD		SD>	<SD					
Toe Sit Down Stand Up			CD	DC					
Somersault (Flip)	O				O <sub>v</sub>				O <sub>w</sub>
Toe Hold			C.	.C					
Tumble 180	↵	↵	↵>	<↵					
Tumble 360	↶	↶	↶>	<↶					
Wave	W.	.W	W>	<W					
<b>Turns</b>									
180° Turn	1.	.1	1>	<1	1 <sub>v</sub>	v1	1> <sub>v</sub>	v<1	1 <sub>w</sub>
360° Turn	3.	.3	3>	<3	3 <sub>v</sub>	v3	3> <sub>v</sub>	v<3	3 <sub>w</sub>
360° OH Turn	⌚	⌚							
540° Turn	5.	.5	5>	<5					
720° Turn	7.	.7	7>	<7					
Step Turn 180°	S1	1S			S <sub>v</sub>	vS			
Step Turn 360°	S3	3S							
Step Turn 540°	S5	5S							
Step Turn 720°	S7	7S							
Toe Back-to-Front Ft-to-Ft			C1	1C			C <sub>v</sub>	vC	
Toe Back-Front Toe Start Rec			C2	2C					
Toe Front-to-Back Ft-to-Ft			C1	1C			C <sub>v</sub>	vC	

**Note:** Full page at the end of Chapter 13.

(1) Supplements to this record for which there was an insufficient opportunity during the pass, or the correction of writing errors or misconceptions may be made after the pass ends, but only before the sheet is discussed for scoring in the towboat or handed over to the Scorers, except as permitted in video review [1303(A)].

- (a) Additions or corrections shall not be made to the score sheet once the sheet has been discussed or handed over to the Scorers.
- (b) Except to determine the last trick in time as permitted in 714(D), to provide provisional results as permitted in 1010, or for in boat scoring as permitted in 714(E), there shall not be any communication of the score sheets with the other Event Judges until after the event's protest period has expired.

**(C) Continue Recording.** The Boat Judge(s) shall continue to record tricks made after the expiry of the 15 seconds, regardless of speed or path of the towboat.

**(D) Last Trick in Time.** Between passes, the skier can ask the Event Judges the last trick in time.

**(E) Boat Scoring.** If authorized by the Chief Judge, and only after completing their sheets, the Event Judges shall communicate with each other to arrive at a majority and to convey that decision to the Scorer.

**715: Downgrades**

**(A) One Foot Attempts.** All tricks failing to satisfy a one-foot requirement may be credited as two-foot trick provided they satisfy the description for the two-foot version of that trick and Rules 712(B) and 716.

**(B) Wake Tricks.**

- (1) Wake tricks may downgrade to a surface trick if the wake criteria have not been met, provided it has satisfied all criteria for the surface trick in accordance with Chapter 8.
- (2) Wake-to-Wake tricks may downgrade to a wake or surface trick if the wake-to-wake or wake criteria have not been met, provided it has satisfied all criteria for a wake or surface trick in accordance with Chapter 8.

**716: One Attempt for Credit**

For trick credit, at the conclusion of each trick or trick recovery [706(B)], the skier shall achieve BSP in one attempt and shall meet the following requirements:

- (A) **Foot Plant.** The skier may stall or hesitate after the initial foot/feet plant but is not permitted to lose that plant and replant the foot/feet.
- (B) **Re-Sit.** Once the skier has raised themselves from the surface of the water, the skier is not permitted to re-sit on the water until BSP has been recognized.
- (C) **No Credit.** Should the skier replant the foot/feet or re-sit in his first attempt to gain BSP, the pass trick shall not be credited even if the trick is subsequently completed.



## Chapter 8: Pass Trick Description

### 801: General Pass Tricks

(A) **Wave.** Commencing from Neutral BSP, the skier shall release their hand and move the entire hand outside torso of the body.

#### (B) Sit Down-Stand Up.

(1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from **forward** Neutral BSP the skier shall sit down on the water surface, clearly showing their feet to be clear of the water surface and then raise themselves to forward BSP.

(2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from **forward** Neutral BSP the skier shall sit down on the water surface, clearly showing their feet to be clear of the water surface. The skier shall then place one foot onto the water and raise themselves to forward One-Foot BSP. Basic and reverse shall be allowed in addition to the two-foot versions.

(C) **One-Foot (Forward or Backward).** Commencing from Neutral BSP the skier shall raise one foot and demonstrate forward or backward One-Foot BSP.

(D) **One-Foot-Wave.** Commencing from Neutral BSP the skier shall simultaneously display One-Foot BSP and a wave trick. The lifted foot contacting the rope shall not disallow the trick.

**Note:** *Placing the foot into the toe strap is prohibited. See Rule 711.*

(E) **Knee Ski.** Commencing from Neutral BSP the skier shall go down onto their shins/knees; subsequent recovery of BSP is not a requirement to complete the trick for credit.

#### (F) Rope-on-Neck

##### (1) General.

- (a) The hands shall be released from the handle and be clearly visible simultaneously.
- (b) To receive credit for a two-foot Rope-on-Neck trick in a series, it shall always precede the one-foot trick.
- (c) No re-gripping of the handle is permitted in between performing the neck two-foot, one-foot, and reverse tricks.

(d) Should the skier re-grip the handle during a series of rope-on-neck tricks, the skier shall remove the handle from the neck and re-initiate the series to receive credit for the full series of tricks.

(e) To receive credit for one-foot Rope-on-Neck tricks in a series, they shall always follow the two-foot trick.

(2) **Two-Foot.** While using a Rope-on-Foot trick handle the skier shall place the handle over the head and behind the neck, and then the skier shall release the hands completely from any part of the handle or rope while maintaining BSP.

(3) **One-Foot.** While maintaining a two-foot Rope-on-Neck BSP, the skier shall raise one foot and demonstrate a one-foot Rope-on-Neck BSP.

#### (G) Rope-in-Teeth.

##### (1) General.

(a) The hands shall be released from the handle and be clearly visible simultaneously.

(b) To receive credit for a two-foot Rope-in-Teeth trick in a series, it shall always precede the one-foot trick.

(c) No re-gripping of the handle is permitted in between performing the Rope in Teeth two-foot, one-foot and reverse tricks.

(d) Should the skier re-grip the handle during a series of Rope-in-Teeth tricks, the skier shall remove the handle from the teeth and re-initiate the series to receive credit for the full series tricks.

(e) To receive credit for one-foot Rope-in-Teeth tricks in a series, they shall always follow the two-foot trick.

(2) **Two-Foot.** While using a handle fitted with a teeth piece the skier shall place it in their mouth. The skier shall then release the hands from any part of the handle while maintaining Rope-in-Teeth BSP.

- (3) **One-Foot.** While maintaining two-foot Rope-in-Teeth BSP, the skier shall raise one foot and demonstrate one-foot Rope-in-Teeth BSP.

#### (H) Tumbleturns.

##### (1) General.

- (a) The reverse of a two-foot tumbleturn shall be rotated in the opposite direction.
- (b) The reverse of a one-foot tumbleturn shall be both rotated in the opposite direction and to the opposite foot.
- (c) During the rotation of a tumble turn, the skier may hesitate, pause, overshoot, or reverse direction.
- (d) The initial direction of rotation shall establish the creditable direction of the tumble turn.

##### (2) 180-Degree Tumbleturn.

- (a) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall lower himself to the water and execute a 180-degree revolution on their back arriving in a headfirst position. The 180-degree position is considered achieved when the feet of the skier are judged to have reached or passed the line parallel to the boat path. The skier will then stop, and reverse the direction of the turn, return to the forward-facing position and regain BSP.
- (b) **One-Foot.** The skier shall perform a 180-degree tumbleturn and stand up on one foot to One-Foot BSP.

##### (3) 360-Degree Tumbleturn.

- (a) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall lower himself to the water and execute a 360-degree revolution on their back returning to the forward-facing position and regain BSP.
- (b) **One-Foot.** The skier shall perform a 360-degree tumbleturn and stand up on one foot to One-Foot BSP.

#### (I) Hop.

##### (1) General.

- (a) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from Neutral BSP the skier shall jump from the water's surface into the air and land in BSP. During the jump the entire skier shall be completely clear of the water surface.
- (b) **One-Foot.** Commencing from One-Foot BSP the skier shall jump from the water's surface into the air and land in One-Foot BSP on the same foot. During the jump the entire skier shall be completely clear of the water surface. Basic and reverse shall be allowed.
- (c) **Switch.** Commencing from One-Foot BSP the skier shall jump from the water's surface into the air and land in One-Foot BSP on the opposite foot. During the jump the skier shall be completely clear of the water surface. Basic and reverse shall be allowed.

##### (2) Wake Hop.

- (a) **Two-foot.** Commencing from Neutral BSP the skier shall perform a hop while jumping over the wake wave and land on the other side of the same wake wave in BSP. A single-wake hop can be performed from either inward or outward; no reverse is permitted.
- (b) **One-foot.** Commencing from One-Foot BSP, the skier shall perform a one-foot hop while jumping over the wake wave and land on the other side of the same wake wave. A single-wake hop can be performed from either inward or outward; no reverse is permitted.

##### (3) Wake-to-Wake Hop.

- (a) **Two-foot.** Commencing from Neutral BSP the skier shall perform a hop while jumping the entire wake and shall be completely clear of the water, landing feet first outside the second Wake Crest. No reverse is permitted.

**(b) One-foot.** Commencing from One-Foot BSP outside the wake, the skier shall perform a one-foot hop while jumping the entire wake and shall be completely clear of the water landing foot first outside the second Wake Crest, and the lifted foot shall never touch the water until after One-Foot BSP has been recognized. No reverse is permitted.

**(J) Rope-on-Foot.** Commencing from Neutral BSP, the skier shall place one foot in the toe-strap. With their weight supported by the foot on the water, the skier shall then release their hands completely from any part of the handle so that the handle is held by only the lifted foot and in accordance with Rope-on-Foot BSP. The hands shall be seen to be clear of the handle and the water surface long enough for recognition. Subsequent recovery of the handle is not a requirement.

**(K) Rope-on-Foot Sit Down Stand Up.** Commencing from forward Rope-on-Foot BSP, the skier shall sit down on the water surface, clearly showing both feet to be clear of the water and then raise themselves back up to Rope-on-Foot BSP. The hands shall not touch the handle during the entirety of the trick. Subsequent recovery of the handle is not a requirement.

**(L) Side-Slide.**

**(1) Forward.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall rotate continuously to Side-Slide BSP.

**(2) Backward.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall rotate continuously to Side-Slide BSP.

**(M) Switch-Stance.** Commencing from Side-Slide BSP, the skier shall slide both feet to the opposite position and then back to the original Side-Slide BSP position.

**(N) Wake Tricks.** Any rotation of a wake trick shall be completed in midair during a jump over the wake wave. The skier shall land on the other side of the Wake Crest in BSP.

- (1) The skier shall remain completely clear of the water surface during the entire trick or turn.
- (2) While executing a wake trick, the skier may use the whole of the upslope and ski through the crest of the wave to propel himself into the air.
- (3) Wake Rope-on-Foot turns shall take off and land on the foot. Water contact with any body part before the foot will disallow the trick.

**(O) Wake-To-Wake Tricks.**

- (1) Any rotation of a wake-to-wake trick shall be completed in midair during a jump off the wake wave. The skier shall land on the other side of both Wake Crests in the appropriate BSP.
- (2) The skier shall remain completely clear of the water surface during the entire trick or turn.
- (3) The skier may use the whole of the up-slope and ski through the wave's crest to propel himself into the air.
- (4) The skier shall jump high enough to bridge the entire wake and shall be completely clear of the water till clearing the second Wake Crest, landing past the lift-off point of the second Wake Crest.

### 802: Turn Tricks General

**(A) Opposite Direction.** The reverse of a turn trick shall be in the opposite direction of rotation of the basic.

**(B) Between 180- or 540-Degree Turns.** Any variety of 180-degree or 540-degree turns shall be allowed between 180-degree or 540-degree basic and reverse turns.

**(C) Skier Touching Handle with Both Hands.** The completeness of surface, wake, and wake-to-wake turns shall be judged with the skier touching the handle with both hands whilst displaying the appropriate BSP.



- (D) Continuous Turning Movement.** In a Multiple-Turn any interruption in the continuous turning movement shall terminate the trick at that point and it shall score zero. A variation in rotation speed shall not constitute an interruption of the turn; however, loss of BSP before the completion of rotation shall constitute an interruption of the turn.
- (E) Maximum Multiple Surface Turns.** No more than six Multiple Surface Turns (one-foot or two-foot) may be scored in any round.
- (F) Maximum Step-Over Turns.** No more than four Step-Over Multiple-Turns may be scored in any round.
- (G) One-Foot Turns.** One-Foot Turns shall start and end in One-Foot BSP and the lifted foot shall remain clear of the water's surface throughout the entirety of the turn.
- (H) Loss Of BSP.** Recoveries shall be completed on the feet. Loss of BSP prior to completion of the rotation shall disallow the trick.

### 803: Rotation Rules for Turn Tricks

#### (A) Surface Turn Tricks.

- (1) When any surface turn (two-foot or one-foot) immediately follows any other surface turn, the rotation shall be in the opposite direction of the previous turn, except for reverse 540 and 180 turns, which can only be in the same rotation as the positional turn.
- (2) If a skier makes consecutive surface turns in the same direction with no other trick in between, they shall be treated as a Multiple Turn and shall meet the criteria for that trick to be credited.
- (3) This requirement does not apply when the skier ends an attempted one-foot turn in One-Foot BSP and then sets their foot down and raises it again for a further one-foot turn attempt.

#### (B) Step-Over Turn Tricks.

- (1) When a step-over turn immediately follows another step-over turn, the rotation shall be in the opposite direction of the previous turn, except for reverse 540 and 180 turns, which can only be in the same rotation as the positional turn.
- (2) If the skier makes consecutive step-over turns in the same direction with no other trick in between, they shall be treated as a Multiple-Turn and shall meet the criteria of that trick to be credited.

### 804: 180 Back-to-Front

#### (A) Surface 180 Back-to-Front.

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to forward One-Foot BSP.

#### (B) Wake 180 Back-to-Front.

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree in accordance with 801(N), landing in forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn in accordance with 801(N), landing in forward One-Foot BSP.

#### (C) Wake-to-Wake 180 Back-to-Front.

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP outside the wake the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, outside the wake, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in forward One-Foot BSP.

**805: 180 Front-to-Back****(A) Surface 180 Front-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to backward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to backward One-Foot BSP.

**(B) Wake 180 Front-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree in accordance with 801(N), landing in backward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree in accordance with 801(N), landing in backward One-Foot BSP.

**(C) Wake-to-Wake 180 Front-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in backward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in backward One-Foot BSP.

**806: 360 Front-to-Front****(A) Surface 360 Turns.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 360-degree turn, returning to forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 360-degree turn returning to forward One-Foot BSP.

**(B) Wake 360 Front-to-Front.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(N), landing in forward BSP.

- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(N), landing in forward One-Foot BSP.

**(C) Wake-to-Wake 360 Front-to-Front.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in forward BSP.

- (D) **Overhead 360 Front-to-Front.** Commencing from forward Neutral BSP the skier shall perform a 360 rotation while passing the handle over their head. While either hand may lose contact with the handle during the rotation, the other hand must remain on the handle for the entirety of the trick. The skier shall maintain movement in the initial direction of rotation throughout the trick. The completeness of this trick shall be when the skier has returned to forward Neutral BSP.

**807: 360 Back-to-Back****(A) Surface 360 Back-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 360-degree turn, returning to backward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 360-degree turn, returning to backward One-Foot BSP.

**(B) Wake 360 Back-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(N) landing in backward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(N), landing in backward One-Foot BSP.

**(C) Wake-to-Wake 360 Back-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in backward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 360-degree turn in accordance with 801(O), landing in backward One-Foot BSP.

**808: 540 Turns****(A) Surface 540 Back-to-Front.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 540-degree turn to forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 540-degree turn to forward One-Foot BSP.

**(B) Surface 540 Front-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 540-degree turn to backward Two-Foot BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 540-degree turn to backward One-Foot BSP.

**809: 720 Turns****(A) Surface 720 Front-to-Front.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 720-degree turn, returning to forward BSP.
- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from forward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 720-degree turn, returning to forward One-Foot BSP.

**(B) Surface 720 Back-to-Back.**

- (1) **Two-Foot.** Commencing from backward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 720-degree turn, returning to backward BSP.

- (2) **One-Foot.** Commencing from backward One-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 720-degree turn, returning to backward One-Foot BSP.

**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.

- (B) **Wake-Turn.** In a step-over wake turn, the leg shall pass over the rope, and the turn shall be completed while the skier is in the air in accordance with 801(N).

- (C) **Multiple Step-Over.** In a Multiple-Step-Over-Turn, both legs shall pass over the rope in succession, changing feet at mid-point.

**(D) Step-Over Turn Tricks**

- (1) **180 Step-Back-to-Front.** Commencing from Line BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn while stepping over the rope to forward BSP.
- (2) **Wake 180 Step-Back-to-Front.** Commencing from Line BSP, the skier shall jump over the wake wave, step over the rope, and turn 180-degrees commencing from the air, landing on the far side of that wake wave in forward BSP in accordance with 801(N).
- (3) **180 Step-Front-to-Back.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn while stepping over the rope to Line BSP.

- (4) **Wake 180 Step-Front-to-Back.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall jump over the wake wave, step over the rope, and turn 180-degrees commencing from the air, landing on the far side of that wake wave in Line BSP in accordance with 801(N).
- (5) **360 Step-Back-to-Back.** Commencing from Line BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 360-degree turn, stepping over the rope as the skier comes from back to front and again as the skier goes from front to back, returning to Line BSP.
- (6) **360 Step-Front-to-Front.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 360-degree turn, stepping over the rope as the skier goes from front to back and again as the skier comes from back to front, returning to forward BSP.
- (7) **540 Step-Back-to-Front.** Commencing from Line BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 540-degree turn, stepping over the rope as the skier goes from back to front, front to back, and back to front, returning to forward BSP.
- (8) **540 Step-Front-to-Back.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 540-degree turn, stepping over the rope as the skier goes from front to back, back to front, and front to back, returning to Line BSP.
- (9) **720 Step-Back-to-Back.** Commencing from Line BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 720-degree turn, stepping over the rope as the skier goes from back to front, front to back, back to front, and front to back, returning to Line BSP.
- (10) **720 Step-Front-to-Front.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall execute a continuous 720-degree turn, stepping over the rope as the skier goes from front to back, back to front, front to back, and back to front, returning to forward BSP.

### 811: Rope-on-Foot Turn Feet-to-Feet

- (A) **Back-to-Front.** Commencing from backward Rope-on-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to forward Rope-on-Foot BSP.

- (B) **Front-to-Back.** Commencing from forward Rope-on-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to backward Rope-on-Foot BSP.
- (C) **Taking Handle.** Taking the handle before the trick has been recognized shall disallow the trick.
- (D) **Feet-to-Feet.** The trick shall be performed feet to feet until Rope-on-Foot BSP has been recognized for credit.

### 812: Rope-on-Foot Turn Toe-Start Recovery

- (A) **Back-to-Front.** Commencing from backward Rope-on-Foot BSP, the skier shall execute a 180-degree turn to the forward position and shall stand up to regain Rope-on-Foot BSP from a seated position. The skier's hands must be clear of the handle throughout the trick.
- (B) **Taking Handle.** Taking the handle before the trick has been recognized shall disallow the trick.

### 813: Somersault

#### (A) General.

- (1) To receive credit, the plane of rotation shall be vertical like a fan blade, so that during the somersault the heels pass directly over the head. It shall be noted that although the plane of rotation shall be vertical, it's permitted to be inclined to the towboat path.
- (2) In a wake somersault, after take-off, no part of the body shall touch the water on the takeoff side of the wake until the trick has been held for recognition.
- (3) In a wake-to-wake somersault, after take-off, no part of the body shall touch the water inside the wake until the trick has been held for recognition.
- (4) A maximum of three somersaults may be scored in any round.
- (5) A reverse somersault is not allowed.
- (6) Reverse wake somersaults shall only be performed from the inside to the outside of the opposite wake of the basic trick.
- (7) A reverse wake-to-wake somersault shall be performed in the opposite direction to the basic trick.

**(B) Somersault Tricks.**

**(1) Somersault.** Commencing from forward BSP, the skier shall perform a somersault (heels overhead) in the air, landing on the skier's feet, butt, back, or head, whereupon the skier shall regain BSP.

**(2) Wake Somersault.** Commencing from forward BSP inside the wake, the skier shall perform a somersault while jumping over one wake wave, landing on the other side of the same wake wave.

**(3) Wake-to-Wake Somersault.** Commencing from forward BSP outside the wake, the skier shall perform a somersault while jumping over the entire wake, landing on the outside of the second wake wave.

## Chapter 9: Protests

### 901: Protest Basis

Protests shall only be permitted for the failure of tournament officials, tournament supplied equipment or the tournament committee to comply with the rules contained in this Rulebook. Necessary changes to the course due to safety issues encountered after the start of the tournament shall never be grounds for a protest.

### 902: Protest Procedure

Protests shall be filed by the Team Representative to the Chief Judge in written form and shall comply with the following requirements:

- (A) **General Protests.** A written protest for a failure of tournament officials, tournament-supplied equipment, or the tournament committee may be filed up to 30 minutes after the event results have been officially posted.
- (B) **Protest of Safety.** A written protest for safety issues may be filed at any time.
- (C) **Protest Fee.** The written protest shall be accompanied by the approximate equivalent in U.S. currency of \$20 (USD). The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is considered reasonable by the Chief Judge, even if the protest is disallowed.
- (D) **Content of Written Protest.** The written protest shall cite the rule number(s) that apply and the facts pertaining to the protest.

### 903: Chief Judge Decision

- (A) **Chief Judge Authority.** After the Chief Judge has been made aware of the facts pertaining to a decision made by any official, the Chief Judge may then overrule that decision to ensure compliance with all rules. This overrule is not limited to protests and applies to any decision that in the opinion of the Chief Judge, does not comply with the rules.
- (B) **Use of Evidence.** The Chief Judge is free to use all evidence he feels is applicable to make an expeditious and correct decision.

- (C) **Communicate Decision.** The Chief Judge shall communicate this decision to the officials, skiers, and team managers involved citing the rules used to reach this decision.

### 904: Reverse Chief Judge Decision

Any decision taken by the Chief Judge to overrule any official(s) in accordance with 903 may be reversed providing the following requirements have been met:

- (A) **Filing.** The written reversal protest shall be filed within 30 minutes after the event has concluded or 30 minutes after the Chief Judge's decision to overrule any official(s) has been posted, whichever is later.
- (B) **Content of Written Protest.** The reversal protest shall contain the rule number(s) that the Chief Judge has violated.
- (C) **Decision.** The Chief Judge shall as soon as practical, present the reversal protest to all Appointed Officials. The Chief Judge shall make the Appointed Officials cognizant of the facts when presenting the protest to them for consideration, i.e., present his overrule decision with the rule numbers cited and the reversal protest with the rule numbers cited.
- (D) **Two-Thirds.** Two-thirds of all Appointed Officials are required to vote in favor of reversing the Chief Judge's decision to overrule any official(s).
- (E) **Decision Posting.** Any vote that reverses the Chief Judge's decision to overrule any official(s) shall be posted as soon as possible.

### 905: Calculation Error

- (A) **Within Two Hours of Postings.** A request by a Team Representative for a correction of an error in the computation or input of a score within 2 hours of the posting of the event results shall not be considered a protest and a correction shall be made with the approval of the Chief Judge and Chief Scorer.



- (B) **Within One-Half Hour of the Next Round.** A correction of an error in the computation or input of a score discovered by the Chief Judge or Chief Scorer may be corrected up to one-half hour before the start of the next round of that event.
- (C) **Second Round.** Any skier displaced from the second round resulting from a correction of an error in computation or input of a score shall go on to the second round.
- (D) **Third Round.** No more than five skiers shall be permitted to advance to the third round [1910]. Therefore, any skier displaced resulting from a correction of an error in the computation or input of a score shall not go to the third round.

## Chapter 10: Re-Rides

### 1001: Re-Ride Request

- (A) **Initiated by Event Judge or Driver.** Requests for re-rides shall be initiated by an Event Judge or Driver before the next pass starts and shall be decided as soon as practicable thereafter. The Video Operator may offer information that may have escaped the notice of the Event Judges.
- (B) **Skier or Team Representative.** The Team Representative or skier may draw the attention of the Event Judges to some relevant condition or circumstance affecting the granting of a re-ride that may have escaped their notice. The Event Judges shall consider such submission and act on it or not as they see fit. The Event Judges shall maintain the strictest vigilance to ensure the interests of the skier are fully respected.
- (C) **Majority.** A re-ride shall be granted when a majority of Event Judges agree that the skier is entitled to a re-ride.
- (D) **Not to Proceed.** The Event Judges shall not proceed with the next pass unless a simple majority of them have indicated that nothing was wrong with the last pass, making an appropriate entry in the tick box on the score sheet.

### 1002: Scoring of Re-Ride

When a re-ride is taken, the re-ride shall be scored and the pass for which the re-ride was given shall be annulled.

### 1003: Optional Re-Ride

- (A) **Conditions or Malfunctions.** The skier shall be offered an optional re-ride only on the pass affected when water, weather or other conditions are substantially different from their competitor's conditions or in the event of a malfunction of the tournament-supplied equipment that, in the opinion of the majority of the Event Judges, unfairly affects a skier.
- (B) **Skier Instructions.** The skier shall be offered an optional re-ride, only on the pass affected, when the Boat Crew fails to comply with the skier instructions given or speed tolerances in accordance with Chapter 3.

- (C) **Engine Trim Position.** The skier shall be offered an optional re-ride, only on the pass affected if the engine trim position was not at the default position prior to the pass as required by 1501(B).
- (D) **Towboat Path During the Jump Event.** The skier shall be offered an optional re-ride only on the pass affected if the path of the towboat differs by more than one-half of the gate width from that requested by the skier or if the towboat enters all 3 zones within the jump course.
- (E) **Towboat Path During the Slalom and Trick Event.** During the pass the towboat shall follow a straight path, approximately down the center of the course until either the shut-down buoy is reached, the skier loses possession of the handle, or the 15 seconds expires, whichever is first.
- (F) **Malfunction.** Should a malfunction of the jump measuring equipment render an otherwise valid jump to be unreadable, the skier shall be offered an optional re-ride or the lowest distance readable on the screen, minus one-tenth meter [408(E)].

### 1004: Mandatory Re-Ride

- (A) **Unfair Advantage.** The skier shall have a mandatory re-ride when it is the opinion of the majority of Event Judges that a malfunction or conditions gave the skier an unfair advantage on the pass affected.
- (B) **Start/End of Pass.** The skier shall have a mandatory re-ride if the start or end of the pass cannot be determined by the combined use of the official video and the Event Judges' sheets on the pass affected.
- (C) **Jump Event.** The skier shall have a mandatory re-ride if the speed through the jump course is judged to have exceeded the maximum course speed of 73.5 kph/45.7 mph as checked by a GPS speed-measuring device while the skier is in possession of the handle and prior to BSP being recognized after the jump [405(B)].



**1005: Re-Rides—When Taken**

- (A) **Jump Event.** Re-ride shall be taken:
- (1) **Immediately.** If a single re-ride is granted for other than temporary incapacitation [1206], that re-ride shall be taken immediately.
  - (2) **Five-Minute Rest.** If more than one re-ride is taken in any series, the skier shall have the option of a five-minute rest before recommencing the skier's turn in accordance with 1205 (A).
- (B) **Slalom and Trick Event.** If a re-ride is granted for other than temporary incapacitation [1206], that re-ride shall be taken either immediately or the skier may elect a five-minute rest period permitted in accordance with 1205(B). If the skier elects the option of a 5-minute rest period the next skier in order shall ski, and the re-ride shall be taken at the conclusion of the skier's turn during which the 5-minute rest period expires.

**1006: Re-Ride Options—Tricks**

- (A) **Start Trick.** In the event of a re-ride during the start trick portion of the pass, the skier shall have the option of:
- (1) **Repeat Start Trick Only.** Repeating the start trick while retaining the pass tricks scored during the affected pass, or:
  - (2) **Repeat Start and Trick Pass.** The entire pass for which the re-ride is given shall be annulled and scoring for the re-ride shall comprise the start trick and the pass tricks made in the 15 seconds of the re-ride pass.
- (B) **Pass Trick.** In the event of a re-ride during the pass tricks portion of the pass:
- (1) **Annulled Pass.** The 15-second pass score of the affected pass shall be annulled.

- (2) **Start Trick.** Any start trick on the affected pass, whether successful or unsuccessful, shall stand and be carried forward as the start trick score for the re-ride of that pass. On the re-ride, the skier is permitted to attain BSP by any start trick listed in 604 that they choose, but that start shall not count for scoring purposes.
- (3) **Scoring.** Scoring for the re-ride shall comprise pass tricks made in the 15 seconds of the re-ride pass plus the start trick score carried forward from the affected pass.

**1007: Not Basis for a Re-Ride**

- (A) **Top Speed Advisory.** Any top speed advisories given from the towboat during the competition shall be considered a courtesy and shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (B) **Standard Terminology.** When preparing to start from rest, the skier shall communicate with the towboat only with the words "IN GEAR," "OK," or "STOP." The towboat shall only proceed on the "OK" command. A misunderstanding due to a departure from this standard terminology shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (C) **Before Turn Around Time.** A skier going before the turnaround time has expired [1201(C)] shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (D) **Rope Position.** Incorrect rope attachment height [302(A) & 303(A)] shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (E) **Boat Speed.** The failure of the towboat to attain a speed greater than 72 kph/44.7 mph shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (F) **Last Trick in Time.** A mistake by the Event Judges communicating the last trick in time [714(D)] shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (G) **Provisional Score.** An error or misunderstanding by the Officials in communicating provisional scores [1010] shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.

- (H) Skier Lands Prior to or Past the Landing Box.** A successful jump that is unreadable due to the skier landing prior to or past the video box shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (I) Failure of Skier's Equipment.** A failure of the skier's own equipment shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest. Also see 1202(B).
- (J) Skier's Equipment.** Once the skier declares equipment pursuant to Rule 303(B), failure of declared equipment to be in the towboat for the second pass shall not be grounds for re-ride but shall be grounds to allow the skier to return to the dock pursuant to Rule 1202(B).
- (K) 30-Second Call.** Failure of the Event Judges to give the 30-second call shall never be grounds for a re-ride.
- (L) Failure to Execute Leveling or Equalization Pass.** Whilst it is recommended that a Leveling Pass be taken before the start of every event it is not mandatory. Equalization Passes are the option of the Chief Judge and are only required when course conditions substantially change due to excessive turnaround time.
- (M) Engine Trim Position.** If the skier requests the engine position to be changed, this shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (N) Slalom Handle.** Incorrect handle width in the Slalom Event [303(I)] shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.
- (O) Slalom.** Failure to comply with special skier instructions allowed by Rules 303(C)(1), and 303(G), shall not be grounds for a re-ride.

### 1008: Start and Pass Instructions

In the case of a re-ride, the skier's instructions for the start and/or pass may differ from those given for the annulled pass.

### 1009: Refusal to Enter Course

For reasons acceptable to the Event Judges, a competitor is permitted to refuse to enter the course in any event and shall do so by clearly throwing the handle into the air.

### 1010: Provisional Score

In the event of an optional re-ride being offered, the skier has the option of requesting a provisional score from the Communicator Judge before deciding to accept or decline the re-ride. This provisional score need not be communicated as total points but may be communicated as tricks/crossings that were and were not credited or the provisional jump distance communicated by the Video Judges.

# Chapter 11: Safety

## 1101: Safety Director

- (A) **Responsibility.** The Safety Director shall be responsible for monitoring the safe condition of all equipment and facilities and the tournament's operation, but this shall not prevent them from delegating specific responsibilities to assistants as approved by the Chief Judge.
- (B) **Proximity.** The Safety Director shall remain near the competition area as much as possible.
- (C) **Authority.** The Safety Director shall have the authority to take whatever action is necessary, including stopping the tournament, whenever he observes a condition they believe to be unsafe.
- (D) **Halt Tournament.** During the competition, the Safety Director is permitted to request the Chief Judge to halt the tournament for a poll of the Event Judges in regard to a skier's actions or condition.
- (E) **Overruled by Chief Judge.** The Chief Judge is authorized to overrule any contemplated decision or action of the Safety Director, but on their own responsibility.

## 1102: Flotation and Protection

- (A) **Flotation.** All skiers shall wear a neoprene wetsuit or dry suit meeting the following requirements in all events:
  - (1) Be smooth, soft, and free from attachments or material likely to cause injury in a Fall.
  - (2) Be so constructed and fastened that it's unlikely to be torn loose or damaged so as to render it useless in a hard Fall.
  - (3) Float the user.
  - (4) Not be an inflatable device.
  - (5) Be constructed to provide adequate protection from impact damage to the ribs and internal organs.
- (B) **Suitability.** In case of doubt about the suitability of flotation, the Safety Director shall order a practical test in the water.

## 1103: Helmets

- (A) **Specification.** A skier in the Jump Event shall wear a helmet of a type designed to protect the head from severe impact injury.
- (B) **Skier Loses Helmet.** If a skier loses their helmet during the start or before reaching the jump ramp, the towboat shall immediately stop, unless it's unsafe to do so. Should it be unsafe for the towboat to stop, the skier shall ski past the jump whenever possible, and this jump shall be scored as a Fall. The skier shall be granted an emergency minute (1202) if needed prior to continuing.
- (C) **Radio Communications.** The use of helmets fitted with radio communication capabilities is prohibited in the Jump Event.

## 1104: Safety Officer

- (A) **Safety Officer.** A Safety officer who is familiar with all tournament events and practice and ideally is fully trained in first aid, emergency resuscitation and water rescue techniques shall always be on-site.
- (B) **Floated to Shore.** Any skier that is unable to pass a concussion assessment or climb into a towboat unassisted, shall be treated as if the skier has a brain or spinal injury and floated ashore and lifted from the water on a suitable board or stretcher.
- (C) **Into Towboat.** Under no circumstances shall an injured skier be lifted passively over the side of a towboat.
- (D) **Life Jacket.** A life jacket shall always be in the towboat. In the event of a serious Fall by the skier, a swimmer wearing a life jacket shall enter the water to assist the skier.
- (E) **Safety Swimmer.** During the jump event a swimmer trained in water rescue, wearing flotation, and having a backboard/flotation stretcher shall be present at the jump area.

**1105: Disqualification**

**(A) Safety Compliance.** Failure of a skier to wear a wet suit, proper protection and flotation under a dry suit or helmet when required shall be cause for immediate disqualification from the event by the Safety Director [210(A)].

**(B) Danger to the Skier.** No skier shall be allowed to compete or continue to compete if, in the opinion of the Chief Judge, Safety Director and a majority of the Event Judges, the skier's competing would be a danger to such skier or to other skiers in the tournament. Whenever practical the advice of a doctor shall be obtained [210(B)].

## Chapter 12: Timing Rules

### 1201: Turnaround Times

- (A) **Set by Chief Judge.** The Chief Judge shall set the turnaround time after considering the recommendation of the Tournament Director and Chief Driver.
- (B) **Responsibility of Driver.** Turnaround times between passes shall be the responsibility of the Driver as follows:
- (1) **Time Commences.** The time clock shall start on whichever is later: the towboat or chase towboat coming off the plane at the end of the course.
  - (2) **Warning.** The Driver shall notify the Event Judges 30 seconds and 10 seconds to the expiration of the turnaround time. The Communicator Judge shall notify the skier at 30 second and 10 second to expiration of turnaround time.
- (C) **Skier Option.** Except in the jump event, the skier can go before the turnaround time has expired.
- (D) **Equalization Pass.** When the boat exceeds the turnaround time to a degree that allows conditions to substantially change or for other unforeseen circumstances, the boat may be directed by the Chief Judge to take an equalization pass.

### 1202: Equipment Failure, One-Minute

- (A) **First Pass.** If the majority of the Event Judges agree they shall grant up to one minute for gear changes to replace broken or damaged equipment developing or discovered just prior to the skier's pass.
- (B) **Subsequent Pass.** If the majority of the Event Judges agree, (except as to 1202(B)(1), which is mandatory) they shall grant up to one minute for gear changes or repair. The skier is permitted to return to the starting dock in the towboat to use the equipment minute to obtain replacement equipment in accordance with the following:
- (1) Once the skier has made the declaration required by Rule 303(I) the skier is permitted to retrieve equipment not in the boat.

- (2) The equipment minute shall start when the towboat is safely positioned at the starting dock. If, at the expiration of the equipment minute, the skier is not ready to enter the towboat from the starting dock, the skier shall forfeit the skier's second pass.

### 1203: Emergency, One-Minute

If, at the expiration of the equipment minute [1202], the skier is not ready to start the pass, the skier may be disqualified from further participation in that round of the event for "failure to go" in accordance with 210(F). The disqualification of a skier for "failure to go" shall be treated as an emergency for the next skier and he shall be granted one emergency minute to prepare to ski. An additional emergency minute shall be granted for each skier in turn that is disqualified. 210(G)

### 1204: Injury Recovery, Up to Three Minutes

At the discretion of the Event Judges, the skier may be granted up to three minutes to recover from a heavy fall, starting at the time of the decision to grant the recovery time. If the skier cannot recover from a heavy fall within those three minutes, the skier shall not be permitted to complete that round of that event.

### 1205: Re-Ride, Five-Minute Rest

- (A) **Jump Event.** If more than one re-ride is taken in any jump series, the skier shall have the option of a five-minute rest before recommencing the skier's turn.
- (B) **Slalom and Trick Event.** The skier has the option of a five-minute rest period in accordance with 1005(B).

### 1206: Temporary Incapacitation

If the skier should become temporarily incapacitated through no fault or action of their own, the skier shall be allowed time to recover until the next round of competition of that event has started or it can be satisfied, where possible on medical advice, that they are sufficiently recovered to continue. In the meantime, the competition goes on with succeeding skiers.

## Chapter 13: Video and Radios

### 1301: Assignment

The video camera shall be operated by a Video Operator or be affixed to a solid mounting device in the towboat.

### 1302: Media

The Chief Judge is permitted to allow an additional camera operator to ride in the towboat for media purposes.

### 1303: Official Use

**(A) When Permitted.** The Event Judges are only permitted to view the official video of an event before the expiry of the protest time at the request of the Chief Judge or Chief Scorer, under the following circumstances:

- (1) Simple Majority.** To obtain a majority decision as to the skier's performance.

- (2) Failure of Timing Device.** To determine the time parameters of a pass in the event of failure of the timing device.

- (3) Exceptional Circumstances.** In circumstances that are deemed to be exceptional, the Chief Judge or Chief Scorer is authorized to instruct the Event Judges to review the video recording to correct errors or misconceptions.

**(B) Jump Event.** Event Judges are permitted to review the official video immediately to ascertain the validity of the jump before the next jump is taken.

*Chapter 24: Explanatory Notes for specific video review procedures.*

### 1304: Communications

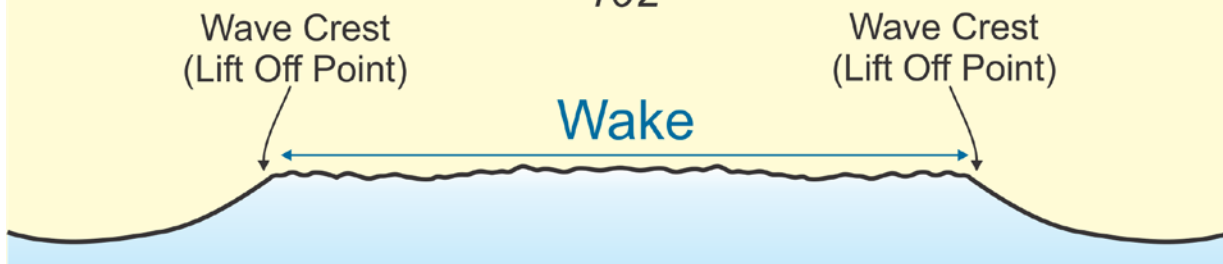
Efficient two-way radios shall be provided for the Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Chief Scorer, Safety Director, Tournament Director, towboat, and jump computer station.



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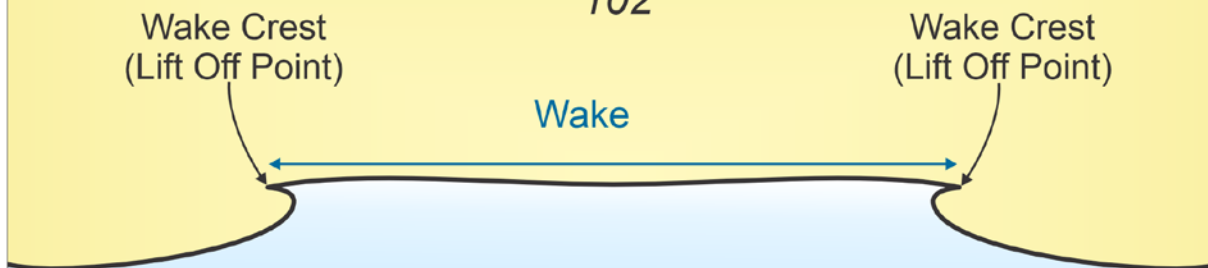
# **GRAPHICS**

### Wake Crest (Lift-Off Point) - Smooth Shoulder 102



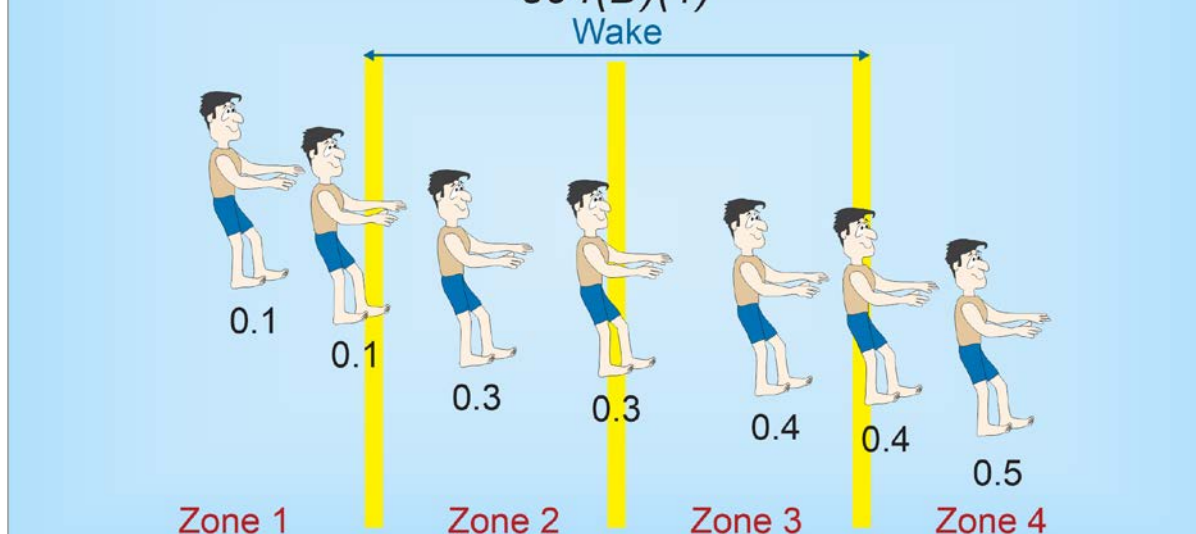
The point where the wave shoulder begins the downturn to the outside of the wake.

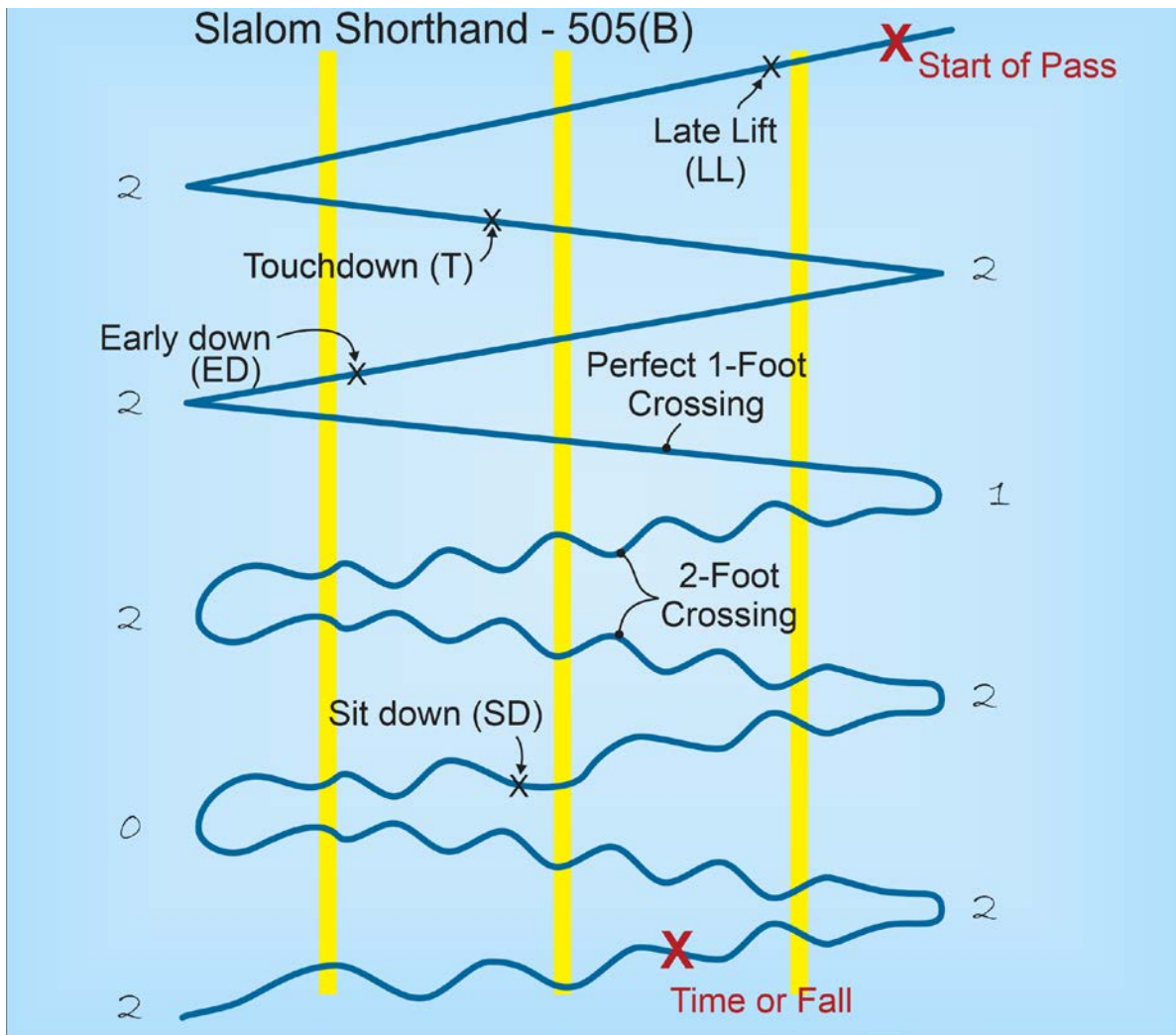
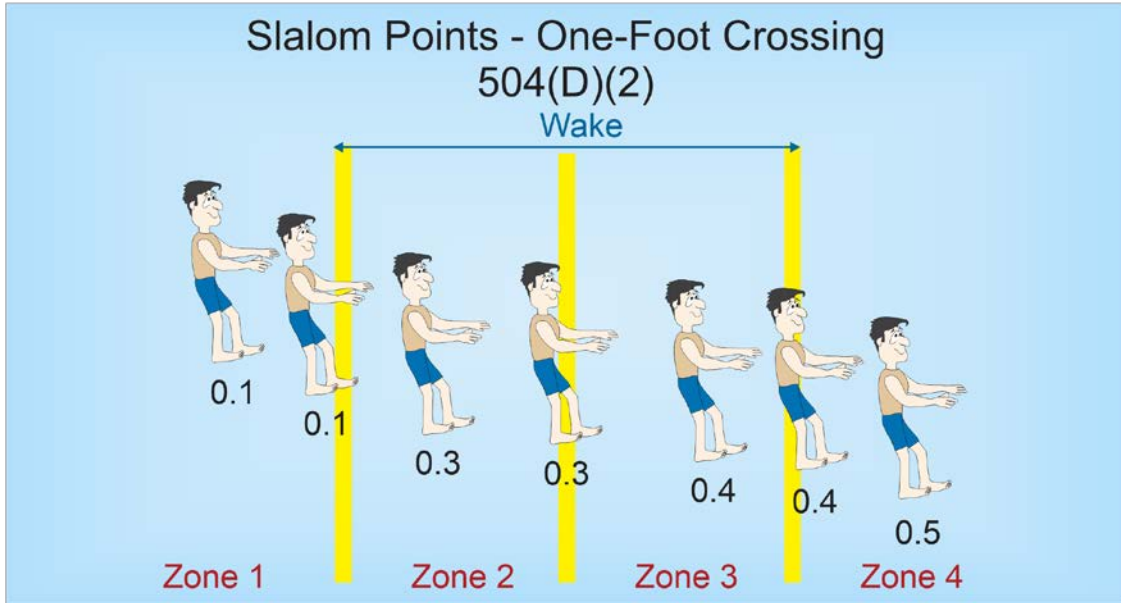
### Wake Crest (Lift-Off Point) - Curled Shoulder 102



The wave curl is the point of the wave crest (lift-off point).

### Slalom Points - Two-Foot Crossing 504(D)(1)





<b>Start Points - 602</b>					
	<b>Two Feet</b>	<b>One Foot</b>	<b>Flyer Bonus</b>	<b>Tower Bonus</b>	<b>360 Bonus</b>
Front Deep	50	100	50	100	50
Front Toe-Up		400	100	200	
Front Tumble	100	150	50	100	50
Back Deep	200	500	100	200	
Back Toe-Up		450	50	200	
Back Tumble	400	700	100	200	
Back Line	400		100	250	

	Trick Point Values - 712(A)				
	Surface Tricks		Wake Tricks		Wake-to Wake
	Two Foot	One Foot	Two Foot	One Foot	
<b>General</b>					
Hop Backward	100*		150§		250§
Hop Forward	20*		30§		100§
Hop/Switch Backward	150				
Hop/Switch Forward	50				
Knee Skiing	30				
One Foot Backward		100*			
One Foot Forward		30			
One Hand One Foot Backward		150			
One Hand One Foot Forward		50			
Rope in Teeth	20	50			
Rope on Neck	20	50			
Side Slide - Backward	450§				
Side Slide - Forward	200§				
Side Slide Switch	600§				
Sit Down/Stand Up	20	40			
Toe Sit Down/Starn Up		200			
Somersault (Flip)	700		850		1200
Toe Hold Backward		200			
Toe Hold Forward		100			
Tumble 180	50	100			
Tumble 360	50	100			
Wave	10				
<b>Turns - Surface</b>					
180 Back-to-Front	200	500	450	800	800
180 Front-to-Back	250	400	700	800	900
360 Back-to-Back	500	1000	1200	1600	1400
360 Front-to-Front*	500/1500*	1000	1200	1600	1400
540 Back-to-Front	800	1500			
540 Front-to-Back	800	1500			
720 Back-to-Back	1000	1900			
720 Front-to-Front	1000	1900			
<b>Turns - Step-Over</b>					
Step-Over 180 Back-to-Front	450		700		
Step-Over 180 Front-to-Back	600				
Step-Over 360 Back-to-Back	1100				
Step-Over 360 Front-to-Front	1100				
Step-Over 540 Back-to-Front	1700				
Step-Over 540 Front-to-Back	1700				
Step-Over 720 Back-to-Back	2200				
Step-Over 720 Front-to-Front	2200				
<b>Turns - Rope-on-Foot</b>					
Toe Back-to-Front		900		1700	
Toe Back-to-Front Toe Start Recovery		300			
Toe Front-to-Back		400		800	

**\*Bonus Trick - 713(A)**  
 Front Hop 1-foot 50  
 Back Hop 1-foot 100  
 Back Hop 2' Line 100  
 Back Hop 1' Line 200  
 Line 1-foot 100  
 § One only i.e. no reverse

**Start Points - 602**

	Two Feet	One Foot	Flyer Bonus	Tower Bonus	360 Bonus
Front Deep	50	100	50	100	50
Front Toe-Up		400	100	200	
Front Tumble	100	150	50	100	50
Back Deep	200	500	100	200	
Back Toe-Up		450	50	200	
Back Tumble	400	700	100	200	
Back Line	400		100	250	

\*Overhead 360

Tricks Shorthand Table - 714(B)									
	Surface Tricks				Wake Tricks				Wake-to Wake
	Two Foot		One Foot		Two Foot		One Foot		
	Basic	Rev	Basic	Rev	Basic	Rev	Basic	Rev	
<b>General</b>									
Hop	Λ		Λ>	<Λ	Λ <sub>v</sub>				Λ <sub>w</sub>
Hop/Switch	L>	<L							
Knee Skiing	K								
One Foot			>	<					
Rope in Teeth	T		T>	<T					
Rope on Neck	N		N>	<N					
Side Slide-Backward	BSS								
Side Slide-Forward	SS								
Side Slide Switch	SSS								
Sit Down Stand Up	SD		SD>	<SD					
Toe Sit Down Stand Up			CD	DC					
Somersault (Flip)	O				O <sub>v</sub>				O <sub>w</sub>
Toe Hold			C.	.C					
Tumble 180	↵	↶	↵>	<↶					
Tumble 360	↷	↸	↷>	<↸					
Wave	W.	.W	W>	<W					
<b>Turns</b>									
180° Turn	1.	.1	1>	<1	1 <sub>v</sub>	v1	1> <sub>v</sub>	v<1	1 <sub>w</sub>
360° Turn	3.	.3	3>	<3	3 <sub>v</sub>	v3	3> <sub>v</sub>	v<3	3 <sub>w</sub>
360° OH Turn	⌚	.⌚							
540° Turn	5.	.5	5>	<5					
720° Turn	7.	.7	7>	<7					
Step Turn 180°	S1	1S			S <sub>v</sub>	vS			
Step Turn 360°	S3	3S							
Step Turn 540°	S5	5S							
Step Turn 720°	S7	7S							
Toe Back-to-Front Ft-to-Ft			C <sub>1</sub>	1C			C <sub>v</sub>	vC	
Toe Back-Front Toe Start Rec			C <sub>2</sub>	2C					
Toe Front-to-Back Ft-to-Ft			C <sub>1</sub>	1C			C <sub>v</sub>	vC	



**PART II:**

# **HOMOLOGATION REQUIREMENTS**

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# Chapter 14: Handles, Ropes, Leaders, and Jump Ramp

## 1401: General

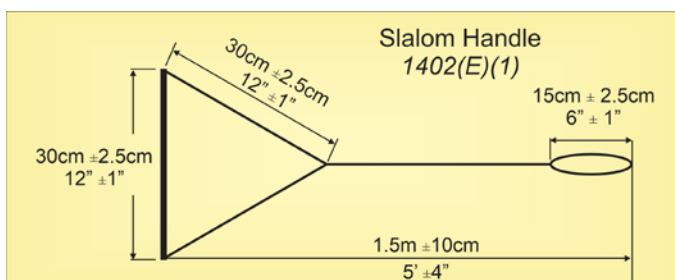
There shall be enough tournament-supplied homologated ropes, leaders, handles, and timers on-site prior to the start of the tournament to ensure for the smooth operation of the tournament.

## 1402: Handles

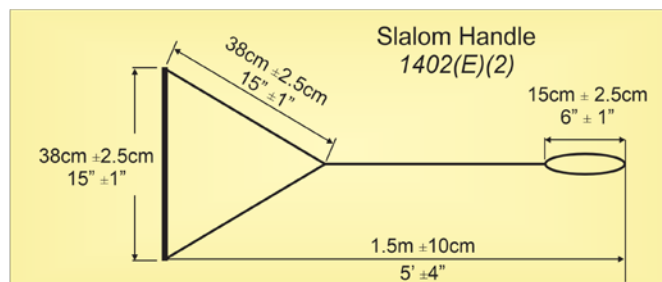
Tournament-supplied handles shall meet the following requirements:

- (A) **Flotation.** Handles shall float or incorporate flotation.
- (B) **Grip.** The handle grip shall be made of 25mm to 28mm outside diameter material with no sharp edges or projections, and with non-slip coating. Attaching ropes shall in all cases, go through the handle grip and shall be attached so there is no possibility of movement between the rope and handle grip when in use.
- (C) **Loop.** Handle bridles shall be finished with a minimum 15cm loop.
- (D) **Length.** The handle and bridle shall have a length of 1.50m  $\pm$ 10cm.
- (E) **Width.**

- (1) **Jump Event.** A handle having a width of 30cm  $\pm$ 2.5cm, with a 30cm  $\pm$ 2.5cm length of attached ropes before juncture shall be the only handle used in the Jump Event.



- (2) **Slalom and Trick Event.** A handle having a width of 38cm  $\pm$ 2.5cm, with a 38cm  $\pm$ 2.5cm length of attached ropes before juncture and a handle having a width of 30cm  $\pm$ 2.5cm, with a 30cm  $\pm$ 2.5cm length of attached ropes before juncture shall be the only handles used in the slalom event and shall be provided as tournament supplied handles for the slalom and trick event.

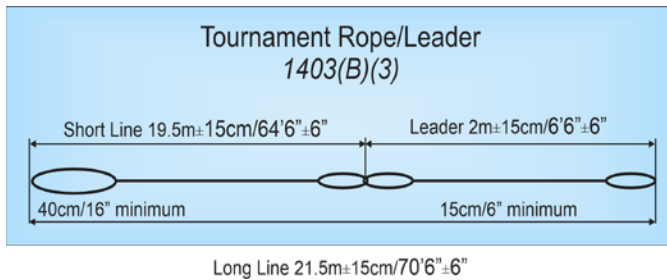


## 1403: Ropes

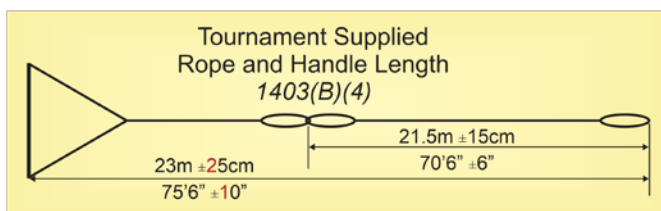
The Tournament Committee shall have an adequate number of ropes meeting the following requirements to supply the tournament:

- (A) **Stretch.** Ropes shall be made from a low-stretch plastic or similar material and have been sufficiently pre-stretched to allow only minimal stretch.
- (B) **Length.**
  - (1) **Rope.** The overall length of the tournament-supplied rope shall be 19.5m  $\pm$ 15cm.
  - (2) **Leader.** When the optional high attachment point is provided a leader of 2m  $\pm$ 15cm shall be attached to the middle attachment point [1501(D)(2)] and optional high attachment point [1501(D)(3)] and both shall be equipped with a lightweight fitting [1403(D)] for the attachment of ropes during all events.

- (3) **Rope and leader.** Tournament supplied rope plus leader length shall be 21.5m +/- 15cm.



- (4) **Rope and Handle.** The tournament-supplied rope length with the handle shall be 23m +/- 25cm.



- (C) **Loops.** Loops shall be a minimum 15cm at the attachment end of the rope and a minimum of 40cm at the handle end of the rope.

(D) **Rope Fittings.**

- (1) For easy attachment of ropes to leaders, a lightweight non-metallic fitting approved by the Chief Judge shall be used during all events.
- (2) Metal clips shall not be used in the jump event.

- (E) **Junctures.** Junctures in lines shall be by splicing or threading of adequate length to prevent slippage, and reinforced where necessary by knotting, stitching or binding.

- (F) **Measurement.** Measurements of ropes and handles shall be made with 20 kg (44 lb.) of tension and shall be between the center of the handle grip (or inside of the rope loop) and the inside of the rope loop at the other end.

### 1404: Skier Supplied Rope and Handle

- (A) **Rope and Handle.** For the Trick Event, the skier may furnish their own rope and handle of any size, length and material.
- (B) **Rope.** Loops shall be a minimum of 15cm at the attachment end of the rope. Tying the rope to the attachment point is not permitted.
- (C) **Handle.** Detachable handles shall be finished with a loop approximately 40cm in length or lightweight fitting for easy attachment of the handle.

### 1405: Audible Timing Device

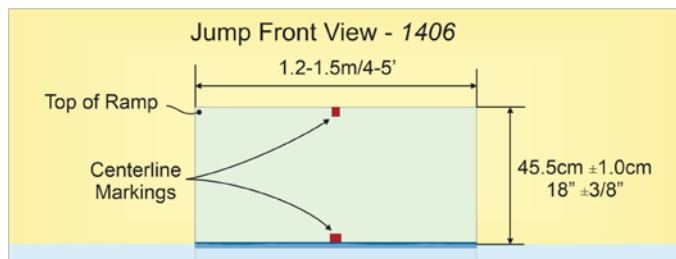
In the Slalom and Trick Events, an automatic timing device gives an audible sound at the start and finish of timing the 15-second pass. Operation shall be by one of the following means:

- (A) **Majority Timer.** A timing device that provides three operating switches, one for each of the three Event Judges, shall operate as follows:
- (1) **Each Judge.** Each Event Judge shall operate his switch when he observes the start of a pass as defined in 502 for Slalom and 702 for Tricks.
  - (2) **Two of Three Event Judges.** The timing device shall be programmed to sound the signal and start the 15-second timing the moment when two of the three Event Judges have operated their starting switches. Thus, the first switch to be pressed in chronological order shall arm the device, and thereafter, the second to be pressed will activate it.
- (B) **Instantaneous Timer.** A timing device with a single operating switch shall be permitted. One of the Event Judges shall be assigned to operate the timer switch when he observes the start of the pass.

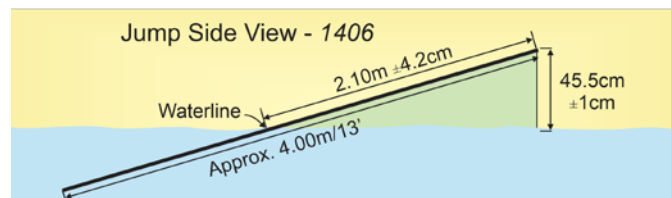
**1406: Jump Ramp**

The jump ramp shall meet the following specifications:

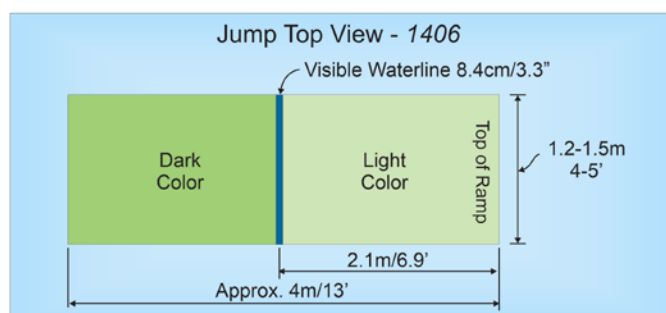
- (A) **Height.** The height of the lip of the jump ramp shall be  $45.5\text{cm} \pm 1.0\text{cm}$  above the waterline, measured on both sides.



- (B) **Surface.** The surface of the ramp out of the water shall be  $210\text{cm} \pm 4.2\text{cm}$  long, with the waterline marked by the center of a transverse line of contrasting color of a width equal to the total  $8.4\text{cm}$ . The width of the ramp surface shall be a minimum of  $1.20\text{m}$  and a maximum of  $1.50\text{m}$  with parallel sides. The surface of the jump ramp shall be flat with a maximum deviation of  $\pm 1\text{cm}$  from a plane. The overall length of the ramp surface shall be a minimum of  $3.6\text{m}$ .



- (C) **Transverse Line Marking.** The centerline of the transverse line shall be marked at least at the edges of the ramp.
- (D) **Contrasting Color.** The submerged surface shall be of a dark color so as not to be visible to the skier. The exposed part above the transverse line shall be of a light color.
- (E) **Strength and Stiffness.** The jump-ramp surface shall be the equivalent of  $19\text{mm}$  marine plywood in strength and stiffness, suitably braced and with smooth integral or glued safe surfacing.
- (F) **Buoyancy.** Suitable buoyancy properly placed shall be used to ensure stability.
- (G) **Center Lines.** Centerline markings of a strongly contrasting color shall be placed at:
- (1) The front face of the ramp at the lip of the ramp to facilitate surveying.
  - (2) The front face of the ramp at the waterline to facilitate measuring the inner and outer course buoys.



# Chapter 15: Towboats

## 1501: Towboat Specifications

**(A) Speed Guarantee.** Towboats shall have the performance necessary to obtain 72 kph/44.7 mph while carrying the required boat officials and towing a barefoot skier weighing approximately 80kg/175lbs. by the entry gate for the Jump Event and the skier's advisory buoy for the Trick and Slalom Events.

**(1) Lengthen Course Run-Up.** If necessary, the length of the run-up shall be adjusted, subject to the limits contained in 1602(A), to make the attainment of the required speed by the skier's advisory buoy possible.

**(2) Full Throttle Acceptable.** In complying with this speed requirement, it's understood that full throttle may be used throughout the acceleration phase.

**(B) Engine Trim Position.** Where engine-trimming capability is fitted to the towboat, the Homologator shall set the trim to achieve the required speed and optimum wake. This position shall be the default position for the tournament. Other than 303(H), it is the responsibility of the Driver to ensure the engine is at the default position before every skier.

**(C) Size.** The overall length shall be approximately 5m but shall not exceed 7m and the beam shall be not less than 1.80m and not more than 2.50m.

**(D) Points of Attachment.** Towboats shall be equipped with towing attachment points on the centerline of the towboat with the following heights above the water when the towboat is standing still with no occupants on board.

**(1) Mandatory Lower Attachment Point.**  
1m +/- 25cm.

**(2) Mandatory Middle Attachment Point.**  
2m +/- 50cm.

**(3) Optional High Attachment Point.**  
4m +/- 50cm.

**(E) Speed-Measuring Devices.** Towboats shall contain two speed-measuring devices:

- (1) At least one speed-measuring device shall be a GPS.
- (2) One shall be visible to the Driver.
- (3) One shall be visible to at least one Event Judge when facing aft.

**(F) Tachometers.** Towboats shall be equipped with one tachometer.

## 1502: Top Speed

Before the start of the tournament, the Chief Driver shall inform the Chief Judge and Homologator of the maximum top speed and the top speed attained at the skier's advisory buoy for all towboats as per the conditions in 1501A and 1501B. This information shall be supplied to the competitors or team representatives before the start of the tournament.

## 1503: Speed Check

**(A) Boat Speed Check.** Before each event and/or at the discretion of the Chief Judge, the towboat speed-measuring device shall be checked with a GPS speed-measurement device to obtain the correct boat speed under tournament conditions.

**(B) Current or Stream.** If there is a current or stream, the speed of that current shall be added to the speed displayed in the GPS when traveling with the current and subtracted from the speed displayed by the GPS when traveling against the current.

## 1504: Speed Control

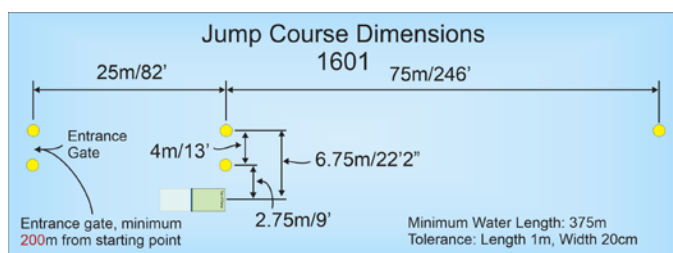
Speed control systems approved by the Homologator shall be used at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

# Chapter 16: Course Requirements

## 1601: Jump Course

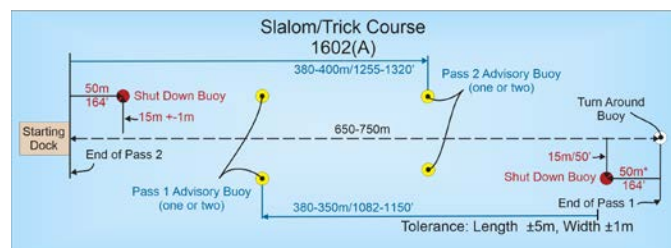
The Jump course dimensions shall be in accordance with the following:

- (A) **Jump Ramp.** The jump ramp shall be set parallel to the jump course. The method of determining this requirement shall be either via a surveyed course or a measured course.
- (B) **Buoys.** No buoys or markers other than those required by Figure 1601 are permitted within the jump course area except to mark safety hazards. Any such buoys shall be distinguishable from course buoys and shall be pointed out to team representatives/skiers before the start of the competition.
- (C) **Departure Point.** The departure point for the Jump Event shall be not less than 200m before the jump course entrance gate and shall be as close as possible to an extension of the course line.



## 1602: Slalom and Trick Course

- (A) **Course Dimensions.** The dimensions of the courses shall be as indicated in Figure 1602(A); however, the layout of the competition area may be varied to suit the tournament site. The competition site shall encompass a starting dock, skier advisory buoys, shutdown buoys and a turnaround buoy at the far end.



- (1) **Dock.** The starting dock shall be as near the extension of the course line as possible and shall be of a size to allow the skier to take more than one hop, skip or step on the dock before a dock start.
- (2) **Optional Tower.**
  - (a) Provision of a starting tower is optional at LOC discretion, and where provided, it shall be between 2.5m and 5m above the water surface.
  - (b) The optional starting tower shall be as near the extension of the course line as possible and shall be of a size to allow the skier to take more than one hop, skip, or step on the tower before a tower start.
- (3) **Course Line.** The course lines for the two passes should coincide if possible. If necessary for spectator viewing, the courses may be angled to or distanced from each other.
- (4) **Turnaround Buoy.** The distance between the starting dock and the turnaround buoy shall be not less than 650m and not more than 850m. The turnaround buoy shall be on the extended course line.
- (5) **Skier Advisory Buoys.** For both passes, a skier's advisory buoy(s) shall be located between 330m and 350m from the shutdown buoy, at a minimum of 15m from and perpendicular to the course line.
- (6) **Shutdown Buoy.** The shutdown buoy shall be located on the Driver's side approximately 15m from the course line, a minimum of 50m from the turnaround buoy, and shall be of a contrasting color to the skier advisory buoys.
  - (a) The shutdown buoy marks the point at which the Driver shall smoothly close the throttle in order to safely stop the towboat before the end of the course.



- (B) **Buoys.** No buoys or markers other than those required shall be permitted within the competition area, except to mark safety hazards, landing or starting areas, or turning buoys. Any such buoys shall be distinguishable from course buoys and shall be pointed out to team representatives/skiers before the start of the competition.

# Chapter 17: World Records

## 1701: Recognition

The WBC shall recognize world records for jump distance, slalom crossings, and trick points for all divisions. The Confederations are permitted to recognize records for divisions other than those recognized by the WBC. The nationality of the skier rather than the location of the tournament shall determine the Confederation and Federation in which a record is recognized.

## 1702: Tournament

**(A) Where Set.** World Records shall be set only at tournaments homologated by the WBC, a Confederation, or an Affiliated Federation.

### **(B) Record Capable Rounds.**

- (1) No more than three rounds shall be permitted in any one competition, except that four rounds shall be eligible in a head-to-head competition.
- (2) World record eligible rounds shall be declared before the start of the competition.

## 1703: Jump

If the longest official distance credited in the Jump Event of an RC tournament exceeds the official record by 10cm or more, it shall be considered for a new World Record.

## 1704: Slalom and Trick

If the highest score in the Slalom or Trick Event of an RC tournament exceeds the official record, it shall be considered for a new World Record.

## 1705: Equal Performance

If a World Record score is equaled at an RC tournament, it shall be considered for co-holding the World Record.

## 1706: Affidavit—Claim Documentation

- (A) Homologator.** Specifications of equipment, courses, and measuring devices shall be as specified in the WBC Technical Rulebook and on the Official World Record Forms, which shall be completed and certified by the Homologator and all other required officials.
- (B) Review in Descending Order.** All performances in all record eligible rounds equal to or exceeding the existing record shall be put forward and reviewed in descending order until the best that can be verified is established.
- (C) Qualified Review.** The most qualified officials available shall review the claim and all details as per 1706(D) and 1706(E) while at the tournament. Whenever possible, the Federation Record Review Committee Member should be included in the claim review before submission to the RRC Chairman. If this reviewing panel is satisfied that it's valid and the paperwork is in order, the claim shall be put forward as per 1706(F).
- (D) Slalom and Trick Records.** For Slalom and Trick records, the original Boat Judges scoring sheets and an electronic copy of the recording of the passes constituting the record taken from the towboat shall accompany the record application.
- (E) Jump Record.** A Jump record application shall include the electronic set-up file and two images: one image of the landing box and one of the jump landing. To ensure that the skier does not obscure the landing box buoys that are necessary for record review, an image of the landing box with no skier using the same camera set-up as the record claim image is necessary.
- (F) Submission Deadline.** The Homologator shall send a completed record application form, all electronic media, score sheets, and a copy of the homologation dossier to the Chairperson of the WBC Record Review Committee within fourteen days of the completion of an event.
- (G) Contact Us.** Refer to [www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com](http://www.WorldBarefootCouncil.com) for application and contact details.

- (H) Confirm Receipt of Application.** The Chairperson of the WBC Records Review Committee (RRC) is to confirm receipt of the record application via E-mail to the submitting Federation within one week of receipt.

### 1707: Verification

- (A) RRC Membership.** The RRC shall consist of one representative from each Confederation. The RRC shall adjudicate all World Records.
- (B) Decision Within 30 Days.** Within 30 days of receiving records, documents, and media, the RRC shall assess and promulgate the outcome of the record application.
- (C) Federation Notified.** The Chairperson of the RRC is to advise the Federation and applicant on the outcome of the record application via E-mail.
- (D) Slow Motion and Frame/Frame Review.** The RRC can use slow motion or frame-by-frame to review a record application.

### 1708: Record Appeals

- (A) Review by Entire WBC.** If a member of the RRC is aggrieved by a decision made by that Committee, they have the right to appeal the decision to the WBC. A review process by the entire WBC is then initiated.
- (B) Review at the Next Regular Meeting.** The WBC will itself scrutinize any appealed record application no later than its next meeting.
- (C) Slalom and Trick.**
- (1) Item by Item.** The video for a record shall be viewed trick-by-trick or crossing-by-crossing and shall be judged item by item. Each item shall be approved by at least a two-thirds majority of the WBC.
  - (2) Approved as a Whole.** When all items of a slalom crossing or trick are approved, they shall be considered approved as a whole.
- (D) Jump.** The cursor position for a jump landing shall be approved by at least a two-thirds majority of the WBC.

### 1709: Ratification

All WBC Members shall be notified via E-mail of the new record and of the date of ratification as per 1707(B).

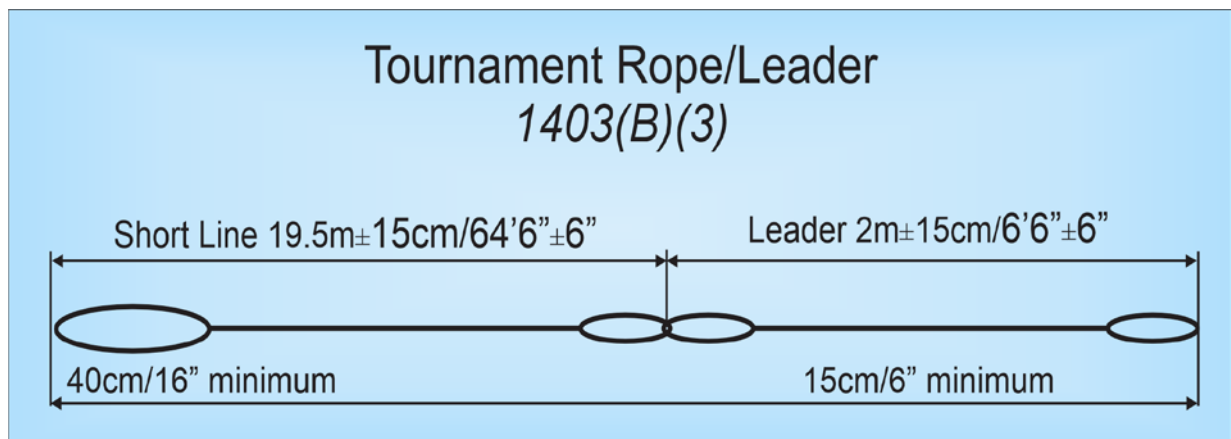
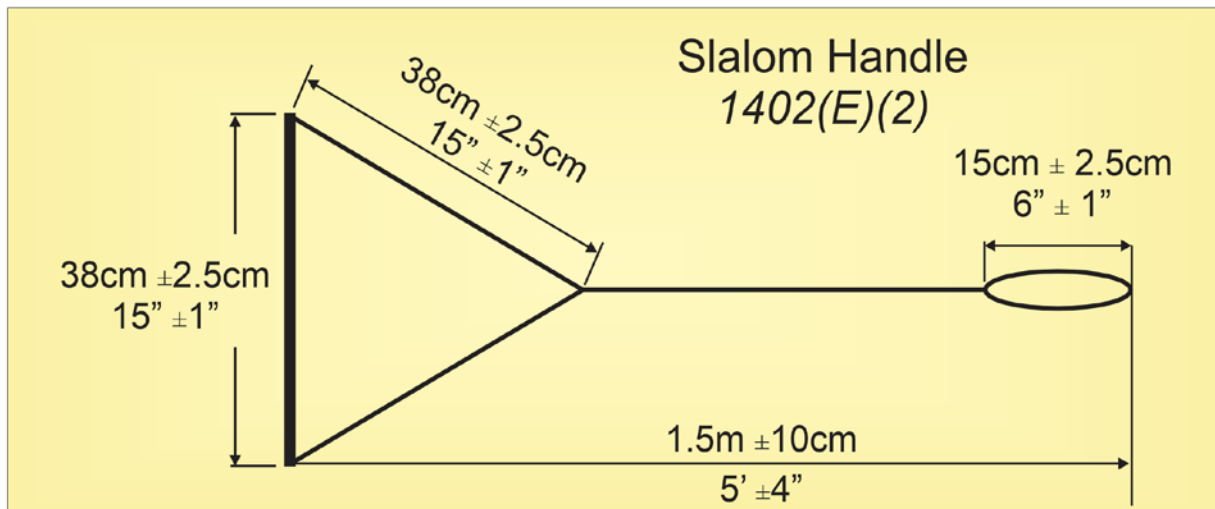
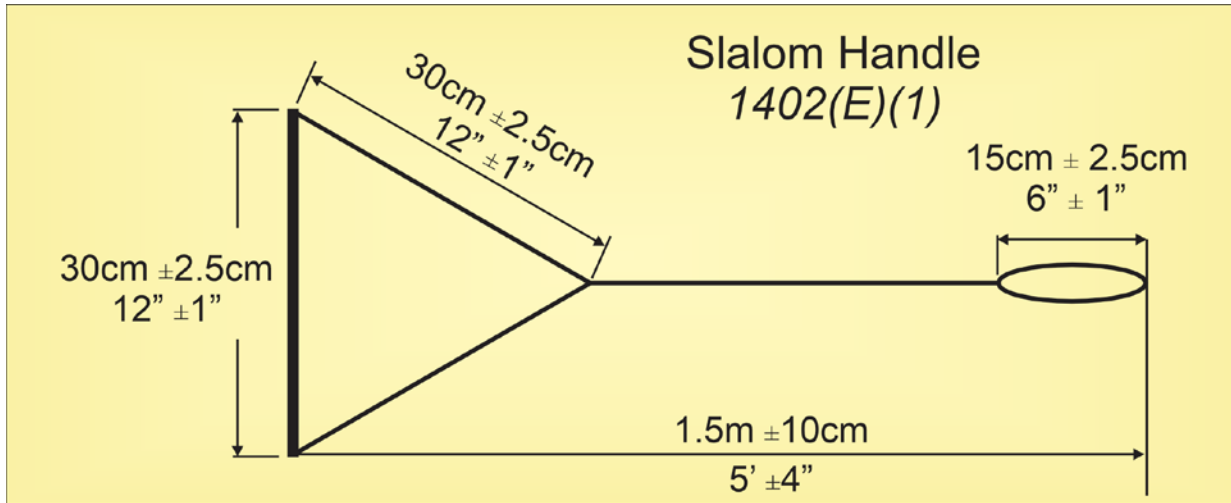
### 1710: Records Set at World Championship

- (A) Immediate Notification.** Scoring Programs shall be programmed to highlight any score that exceeds an existing World Record. The Scorers shall immediately forward this information to the Chief Judge, the Homologator, and the Chief Video Officer.
- (B) Before the End of Championship.** The RRC shall adjudicate all World Records set at the World Championships before the end of the Championships.
- (C) Substitute RRC Member.** The RRC shall scrutinize, approve or reject all World Records set at the Championships. If any member of the permanent RRC is not in attendance at the Championships or cannot fulfill the commitment for any other reason, the WBC Chairman shall appoint a substitute committee member from among the Level 1 Judges in attendance. This substitute should be a WBC Member whenever possible.
- (D) Appeal.** If any RRC member is aggrieved by a decision made by the RRC, the WBC shall scrutinize and approve or deny the pending record at the World Championships.
- (E) Homologator Responsibilities.** The Homologator shall consult with the RRC Chairman and the Chief Judge immediately upon notification of a pending record to facilitate the preparation of all documentation to enable the immediate review of any pending World Records. The Homologator tasks include:
- (1) Sourcing the original Judge's sheets.
  - (2) Sourcing a copy of the video recording of the pending record.
  - (3) Coordinate a panel of Judges and immediately review the pending record.
  - (4) Prepare the required paperwork for presentation to the RRC Chairman after the review panel approves the pending record.
  - (5) Confirm course homologation, jump homologation and rope homologation.

- (F) Documents to Skier or Team Representative.** The Chief Judge of the World Championships shall provide the Skier or Team Representative with all evidence and documentation necessary for substantiating any pending Federation or Confederation record set at the World Championships.
- (G) Others Afforded Access to Record Verification.** The Team Representative and any of his Confederation and Federation Councils or WBC Members shall also be afforded the facilities to scrutinize the pending Confederation or Federation record or make record verification.

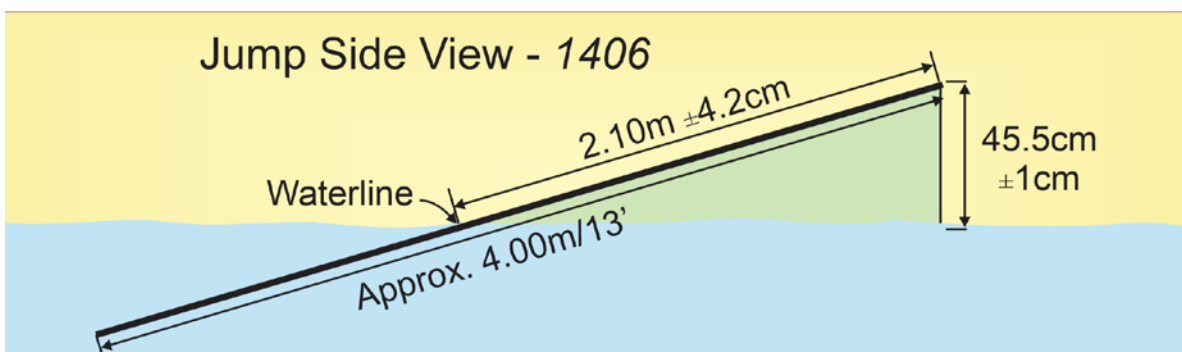
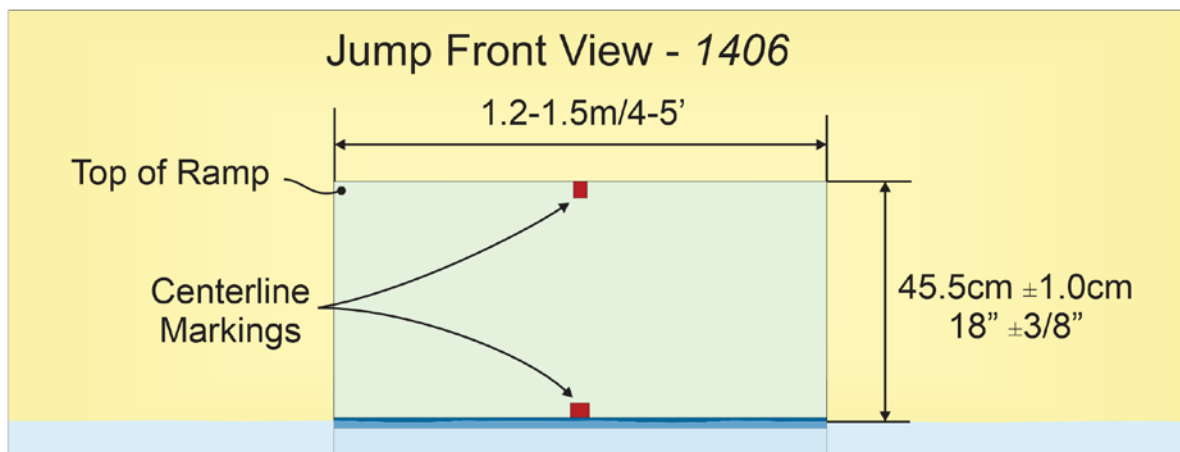
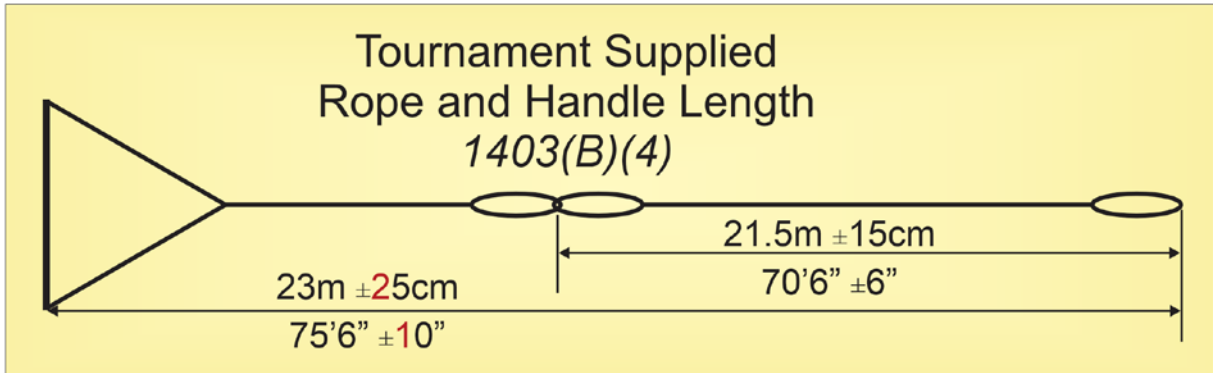
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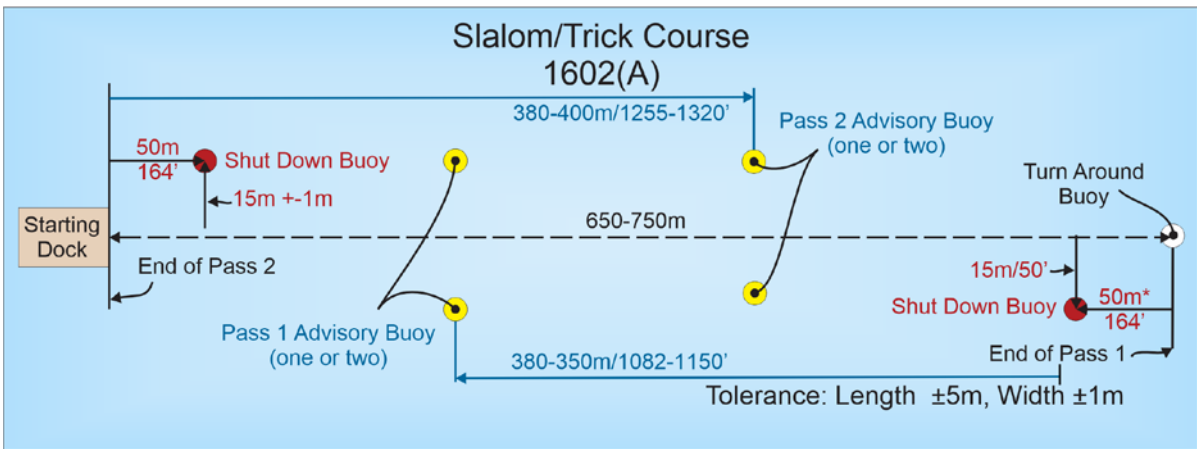
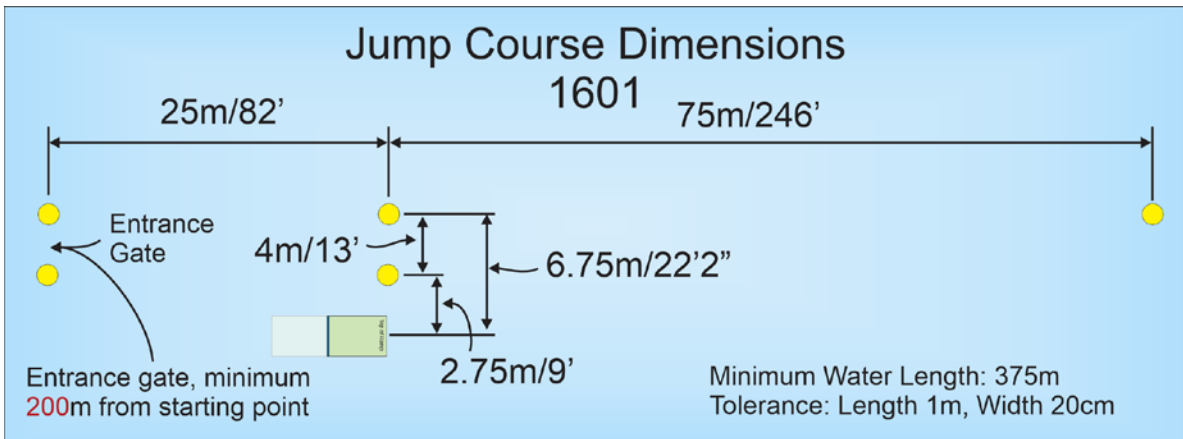
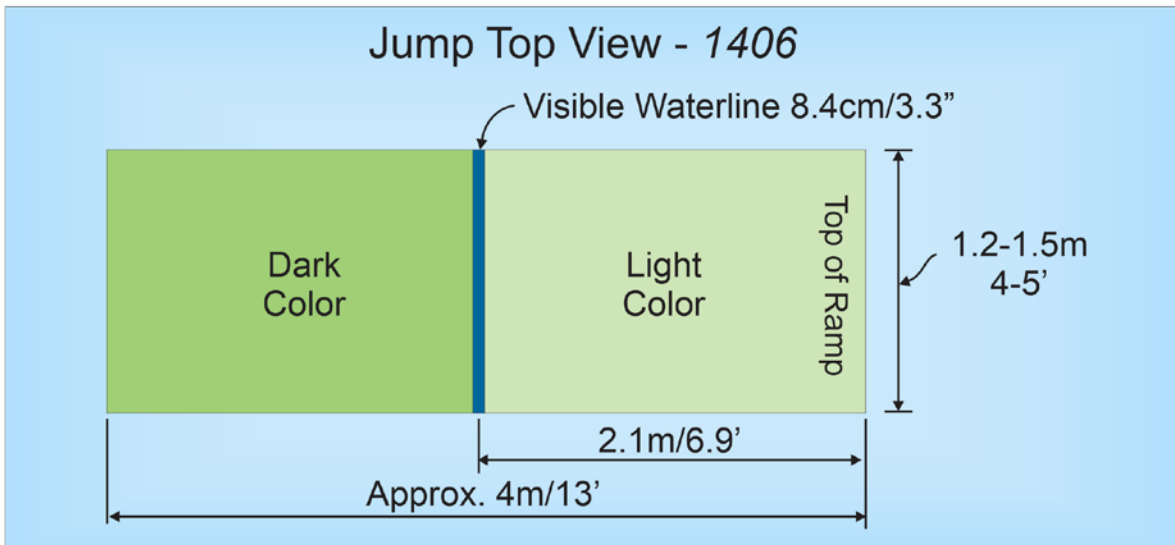
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**PART III:**

# **WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS REQUIREMENTS**

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## Chapter 18: General Requirements World Championship

### 1801: Scheduling

The respective World Barefoot Waterski Championships—Open, Under 23, Junior, and Masters are held biennially. The Open, Under 23, and Junior Championships shall be held concurrently in alternative years to the Masters Championships.

### 1802: Site Closure and Set Up

Unless the Chairman of the WBC and the LOC have agreed to previous homologation arrangements, the tournament site shall be declared closed at midday on the day prior to the start of the championship. At that time the towboats, courses and all associated equipment shall be available for homologation.

### 1803: On-Site Medical Facilities

The Safety Director shall appoint a Tournament Medical Officer to provide the following services wherever possible:

- (A) **Medical Officer.** A suitably qualified Medical Officer shall be in attendance during all tournament events.
- (B) **Medical Station.** A suitably equipped medical station prepared to deal with a medical emergency shall be conveniently located at the tournament site.
- (C) **Transportation.** Suitable transportation to move an injured skier safely and promptly to a local medical unit for additional medical care.
- (D) **Prompt and Qualified Treatment.** A working relationship will be established between the local hospital or medical unit and the Tournament Medical Officer, such that casualties may get prompt and qualified treatment when required.

### 1804: Towboats

- (A) **Approval.** The towboats to be used in the World Championships shall be approved by the WBC. Inboard, inboard-outboard or outboard power may be used. This information shall be provided to the Chair of the World Barefoot Council, the Chair of each Confederation Barefoot Council and each Federation not less than six months before the tournament.
- (B) **Event Boat Selection.** The towboats to be used for each event shall be decided by the LOC. If more than one type of towboat will be used, the information in 1804(A) shall include a list of the events scheduled for each towboat.
- (C) **Identical Boats.** Identical towboats shall be used for all contestants in a division for each event.

### 1805: Ropes and Handles

- (A) **Notification.** Information of the type of rope and handles shall be provided to the WBC not less than 6 months before the tournament. If more than 1 type of rope and handle will be used, this information shall include a list of the events scheduled for each type of rope and handle.

### 1806: Safety Director

- (A) **Appointment.** At least 2 months before the tournament, the LOC shall appoint a Safety Director who shall appoint such assistants as they deem necessary.

### 1807: Driver Familiarization

Prior to the start of the tournament the Drivers shall familiarize themselves with the tournament towboats, courses, rates of acceleration, top speed, underwater obstructions, etc. The Chief Driver shall administer this familiarization and ensure all Drivers provide uniform rates of acceleration and lines through the courses.

**1808: Completion**

Once a World Championship has started the Chief Judge does not have the authority to cancel any event and the tournament shall be completed, even if obliged to continue in another community, unless the WBC decides otherwise on the recommendation of the Chief Judge.

**1809: Validity**

The inability of a Federation to attend the World Barefoot Waterski Championships for any reason shall not require that the Championships be cancelled or postponed or that the Championships are any the less World Championships.

# Chapter 19: Divisions, Events, and Rounds of Competition—World Championship

## 1901: Divisions of Competition

(A) **Divisions.** Competition in each event shall be separated into Girls and Women for female skiers and Boys and Men for male skiers in accordance with 2002.

(1) **Junior Division (Girls/Boys).** The competitors shall be under 17 years of age at midnight on December 31st of the year proceeding the Championships year. Entries of teams and independents shall be accompanied by proof of age.

(2) **Under 23 (Women/Men).** The competitor shall be at least 17 years of age and not more than 22 years of age at midnight on December 31st of the year preceding the Championships year. Entries shall be accompanied by proof of age. Under 23 skiers need not qualify to compete unless otherwise indicated. Under 23 skiers shall be treated as Independent Skiers under these Rules.

(3) **Open (Women/Men).** A skier selected to a team under 2002(B) or who qualifies under 2003.

(4) **Dual Entry.** Skiers that fulfill the requirements of 2002 or 2003 are permitted to be entered by their Federation in both the Open and the Junior World Championships.

(5) **Masters Championships.** Competitors (women/men) shall be 35 years of age or older at midnight on December 31st of the year proceeding the Championships year. Entries shall be accompanied by proof of age. The Masters Championships shall be held separately pursuant to Rule 1801 and shall be governed by the IWWF World Barefoot Masters Championships Rules (“Masters” Rules), which are attached as Appendix A. In the event of conflict, the Masters Rules shall take precedence over these Rules.

(B) **Dual Entry.** The skiers that are selected to a team under 2002(B) or that fulfill the independent skier requirements of 2003 are permitted to be entered in the Open and another Division.

## 1902: Events

The events are Jump, Slalom and Trick for all divisions.

## 1903: Champion and Event Placements

A champion and succeeding places shall be determined for each event and the Overall in each division, and the Federation Teams as described in Chapter 21.

## 1904: Number of Event Rounds

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

(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.

## 1905: Schedule of Events

(A) **Setting up and Announcement of the Schedule.**

(1) **Proposed Schedule.** Not later than eight weeks before the start of the tournament, the Tournament Director shall send a proposed schedule of events to the Chairman of the WBC. Upon approval by the WBC, the Tournament Director shall disseminate the approved schedule to each affiliated Federation.

(2) **Starting Times.** Two days prior to the start of the tournament, the Tournament Director and the Chief Judge shall set starting times for each day.

(3) **Guidance Only.** A schedule of starting times for individual events shall be for the guidance of the skiers, and any deviation shall not constitute a change in schedule.



**(B) Schedule Changes.**

- (1) Necessary Changes.** The Chief Judge may make changes in the schedule that are necessary for the expeditious and safe operation of the tournament.
- (2) Media Coverage.** Taking account of the importance of media, the Chief Judge is also authorized to make changes designed to increase or improve the coverage.
- (3) Skier Notification.** All affected skiers shall be notified by posting on the official notice board and by an announcement over the official PA system.
- (4) Change Discourage.** Although changes are to be discouraged, the Chief Judge shall not hesitate to make changes dictated by safety.

**1906: Site Familiarization**

**(A) Team Skiers.** The LOC is required to ensure that, if requested, each team be allocated, free of charge, an elapsed period between leaving and returning to the dock equal to eight minutes multiplied by the number of skiers in the team. The division of this time among the team members is the responsibility of the team representative. This time may be incorporated into pre-event training if the boats, ropes, handles, jump ramp, and all courses are as they will be for the Championships.

**(B) Independent Skiers.**

- (1) An independent skier entered in the trick and/or slalom event shall be given free of charge familiarization time of two passes for each event in which he is entered,
- (2) An independent skier entered in the jump event shall be allowed free of charge familiarization time of one jump,
- (3) An independent skier who is qualified in more than one event may use the skier's familiarization passes for any event he is entered.
- (4) Familiarization for independents shall be scheduled as close to their Federation's team's scheduled familiarization time as practical. The LOC shall schedule independents with no Federation team present wherever expedient.

**(C) Starting Order.** The starting order in familiarization shall, as far as practicable, be in the order of distance traveled from the home base, e.g., the further the travel, the later the turn.

*Chapter 24: Explanatory Notes for specific site familiarization procedures.*

**1907: Seeding Scores**

**(A) Seeding Scores.** The WBC rankings database shall be used to generate each skier's seed score as follows:

- (1) Based on a period starting on January 1 of the year prior to the year of the upcoming applicable world championships and concluding 4 weeks before the official start date.
- (2) Skiers with no score on the rankings database as per 1907 (A)(1) shall be grouped with the lowest seed group after all skiers with RL scores.

**1908: Starting Order**

**(A) First Round Starting Order.** Before the start of the tournament, the entry list shall be closed, and thereafter, the entries shall be divided into a Male and a Female seeding list for each Championship.

**(B) Groups.** Based solely on those seeding lists all skiers shall be divided into groups between 8 to 16 skiers and those respective orders shall be posted as soon as possible.

**(C) Numbers.** The number of skiers per group shall be at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

**(D) Reverse Order.** The skier starting order for each group shall be in the reverse order of their seeding score.

**(E) No Protest.** Incorrect grouping or seeding shall never be grounds for a re-ride or protest.

- (F) **Dual Entries.** Dual division skiers with an RL qualification score from 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> place in the Open Division in any event, shall ski a first round of that event in the Open Division, in addition to their age division first round. Dual division skiers who do not meet this requirement shall use only their age division first-round scores to qualify for any possible second round under Rule 1909.
- (G) **Final.** In the final round of an event, the starting order of the finalists shall be in reverse order from any qualifying scores and shall be grouped by divisions.
- (H) **No First Round Contested.** If 1909(A)(1) is applied, the starting order shall be in reverse order of the seeding scores.
- (I) **Change of Order.** Only the Chief Judge may change the skier's starting order, except that a team representative may:
  - (1) Withdraw a skier from the competition.
  - (2) Replace, with the authority of the Chief Judge, an injured skier with a qualified reserve from the same team as per 2002(C).
- (J) **Ties.** Any ties in starting order placement shall be broken by the flip of a coin.
- (K) **Positive Score.** To be eligible for the final round, a skier shall have a positive score in the first round of that event.

### 1909: Second Round

- (A) **Number of Skiers.** No distinction shall be made between team and independent skiers when deciding who goes into the second round. The total number of skiers in the first round determines the number of skiers qualifying to go into the second round as follows:
  - (1) **8 or fewer.** If there are 8 or fewer skiers, all skiers will advance to the second round without contesting the first round.
  - (2) **9 to 12 skiers.** If there are 9 to 12 skiers, 8 skiers will advance to the second round.
  - (3) **13 to 16 Skiers.** If there are 13 to 16 skiers, 9 skiers will advance to the second round.

- (4) **17 or 18 Skiers.** If there are 17 or 18 skiers, 10 skiers will advance to the second round.
- (5) **19 or 20 Skiers.** If there are 19 or 20 skiers, 11 skiers will advance to the second round.
- (6) **More than 20 Skiers.** If there are more than 20 skiers, 12 skiers will advance to the second round.

In addition, any Dual Entry Skier not skiing in the Open Division in the first round may ski in the Second Round of the Open Division if that skier's score qualifies them to ski in the Second Round. Such a Dual Entry Skier will be an additional skier to the Second Round and will not displace any Second Round Open Division Skiers.

### 1910: Third/Final Round

- (A) **Who Qualifies.** The third/final round of any Open, Junior and Under 23 Division event shall always comprise five skiers, unless fewer make a positive score in the first round or a qualified skier cannot compete due to illness, injury or other reasons.
  - (1) **First Three Skiers.** The first three skiers, based on the results of the second round, shall be qualified to ski in the third round of that event. When the top three skiers from the second have been selected, all their scores shall be removed from a copy of the combined results list of the first two rounds of the event.
  - (2) **Next Two Skiers.** The skiers having the two top remaining scores on the combined event results list shall go into the third round.

**Note:** A skier is not required to ski in the second round to be eligible to ski in the third round.

### 1911: Last Qualifier Tie Breaking

- (A) **Ties.** Ties for the last qualifying place for the Second or Final round of the Open, Junior, or Under 23 Division shall be broken as follows:
  - (1) **Jump.** Each tied skier shall be allowed three jumps to break the tie. This runoff shall proceed until the tie has been broken.

- (2) **Slalom.** Each tied skier shall be allowed two passes to break the tie and this runoff shall proceed until the tie has been broken.
  - (3) **Trick.** Each tied skier shall be allowed two passes to break the tie and this runoff shall proceed until the tie has been broken.
- (B) **Running Order for Tied Skiers.** The running order for all ties shall be determined by the flip of a coin.

## Chapter 20: Entry Requirements—World Championship

### 2001: Nationality

Each Federation shall certify to the WBC that all team and independent skiers meet the qualifications set out in the IWWF Rules of Eligibility. These rules may be found at [www.iwsf.com](http://www.iwsf.com).

### 2002: Team Composition

**(A) Junior Championships (Boys/Girls).** Each Federation affiliated to the IWWF shall have the right to select a team comprised of four members with a maximum of three of any one sex, to represent it in the Junior World Barefoot Championships.

**(B) Open Championships (Men/Women).** Each Federation affiliated to the IWWF shall have the right to select a team comprised of six members with a maximum of five of any one sex, to represent it in the Open World Barefoot Championships.

**(C) Reserve Skiers.** Each Federation shall furthermore have the right to nominate two reserve skiers for each team. Prior to the start of the tournament and at the discretion of the Team Representative, reserve skiers may be substituted for any reason. After the start of the tournament, skiers shall only be replaced by reserves due to injury. The injured skier shall not compete in the tournament after replacement is made.

- (1) A reserve skier shall take part only in those events in which the first round has not yet started at the time the replacement is made.
- (2) The reserve skiers, if not called upon, shall have the right to ski as independents if so qualified.
- (3) Reserve skiers replacing skiers of the opposite sex shall not participate in any event in which the first round for the skier they are replacing has started at the time the replacement is made, e.g., a male reserve who is replacing a female skier shall not ski in a male jump if the female jump first round has already started.
- (4) Any scores posted by a reserve skier while skiing as an independent shall never count toward Team Overall calculations.

**(D) Team Representative.** Each team shall select a representative whose name shall be given to the Chief Judge at least 72 hours before the start of the tournament.

**(E) Independent Representative.** Federations shall select a representative whose name shall be given to the Chief Judge at least 72 hours before the start of the tournament.

### 2003: Independent Entrants

**(A) Qualification Scores.** Skiers not selected for their National teams may qualify to compete in the World Championships as independents by achieving a qualifying score.

Qualifying scores for all divisions and events shall be determined by using the RL from the 12-month period going back from and ending on the last day of the most recent World Championships in the following way:

- (1) Less than 16 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 8th RL-rated skier.
- (2) 17 or 18 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 9th RL-rated skier.
- (3) 19 or 20 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 10th RL-rated skier.
- (4) 21 or 22 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 11th RL-rated skier.
- (5) 23 or 24 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 12th RL-rated skier.
- (6) 25 or 26 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 13th RL-rated skier.
- (7) 27 or 28 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 14th RL-rated skier.
- (8) 29 or 30 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 15th RL-rated skier.
- (9) 31 or 32 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 16th RL-rated skier.
- (10) 33 or 34 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 17th RL-rated skier.

**(11) 35 or 36 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 18th RL-rated skier.

**(12) 37 or 38 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 19th RL-rated skier.

**(13) 39 or More 40 RL Skiers.** The qualifying score shall be based on the 20<sup>th</sup> RL-rated skier.

**Note:** *The Nth RL-rated skier is found by counting that number of skiers down from the first skier on the list. I.E. If there are tied skiers, they still take up one place each on the list.*

*The Minimum Standard for Independent Skier qualification for Jump in all divisions shall be 8 meters regardless of the number of skiers on the RL or the lowest score on the RL for that division.*

*The period to achieve a qualifying score shall start the day following the most recent World Championships and shall conclude 4 weeks prior to the upcoming World Championships.*

*Note the Rule only applies to Open and Juniors.*

**(B) Previous World Champions and Record Holders.**

All previous World Overall and World Event Champions, and all current World Record Holders, are eligible for entry to the World Barefoot Championships with the endorsement of their Federation without regard to 2002, 2003, and 2004. Event Champions and record holders may only enter those events in which they are previous World Champions or current record holders. Previous Overall champions may enter any or all events. This rule does not qualify Junior or Senior Champions to compete in the Open Championships. This rule does not qualify Junior Champions to compete in the Junior Championships unless they meet the age requirements as set out in 1901(A)(1).

**(C) Federation Entry.** Their Federation shall enter all skiers qualified as independents.

**(D) Overall Points.** Skiers entered as independents shall be awarded overall points for the events in which they qualify.

**(E) Team Overall.** Independent skier's overall scores shall not affect the team's overall scores.

### 2004: Jump Proficiency

**(A) Rankings List.** Skiers entering the Jump Event must have achieved one of the following proficiencies:

(1) A positive jump score during the period defined in 1907(A)(1).

**(B) Non-Rankings List.** The Chairman of that Confederation shall certify skiers entered in the jump event from countries that have not held RL tournaments during the qualifying period.

**Note:** *No skier will be allowed to jump if, in the opinion of the Chief Judge, Safety Director and a simple majority of the Event Judges, the skier's competing would be a danger to that skier [210(B)].*

### 2005: Entry Registration

**(A) Intent to Compete.**

**(1) Sixteen Weeks.** Not later than sixteen (16) weeks before the scheduled start of the tournament, each Federation intending to field a team and/or Independents in the World Barefoot Waterski Championships shall certify to the Chairman of the WBC and to the LOC its intent to compete and their estimated entries on the Intent to Enter Form.

**Note:** *See WBC Website for the Intent to Enter form.*

**(2) Late Fee.** Any Federation not meeting this requirement shall not be allowed to compete until they pay a fine of \$300 (USD) to the WBC.

**(B) Definitive Entry.**

**(1) Team Skiers.** Not later than 4 weeks before the scheduled start of the Championship, each Federation intending to enter a team shall certify to the Chairman of the WBC, the Chairman of the Confederation Barefoot Council the Chief Judge and the LOC, the names of the skiers (Maximum of six for Open, four for Junior, and four for Senior) that will be skiing team members, and the events each will enter on the Definitive Entry Form. The names of up to two reserves for each team shall also be submitted on the same form.

- (2) **Final List.** Not later than 72 hours before the start of competition a Final Team List must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the WBC and the Chief Judge. This list, which shall be comprised solely of skiers named on the Definitive Entry Form, shall clearly indicate which are Team Skiers and which are Reserve Skiers as well as their relevant divisions. Failure to do so will disqualify the team from the team event.
- (3) **Independent Skiers.** Not later than 4 weeks before the scheduled start of the tournament, each Federation shall submit the names of any of its qualified independent skiers it wishes to enter, and the event or events they will enter on the Definitive Entry Form.

- (4) **Late Fee.** Any Federation not meeting these requirements will not be allowed to compete until the Federation pays the WBC a fine of \$20 (USD) per skier per day after the four-week deadline, for each skier not officially entered.

**Note:** See WBC Website for the Definitive Entry Form.

- (C) **Deadline.** The Local Organizing Committee for the Masters World shall announce deadlines for registration, similar to those described in Rule 2005 (A) and (B), above.
- (D) **Event Management System (EMS).** To the extent a tournament registration is conducted under the Event Management System (EMS), the EMS system controls all aspects of registration. Federations must ensure that their skiers and tournaments are registered and recorded on the EMA system for their skiers to be eligible for the World Championships.



# Chapter 21: Overall and Team Ranking— World Championship

## 2101: Event Placing

- (A) **Placement.** Event placing shall be based on the final round, followed by the results of the previous rounds. Any skier who competes in the final round shall always place higher than the skiers who did not.
- (B) **Medal Round.** If no final round will be held due to force majeure, then the final medal placement of skiers shall be determined by using the best score registered by each skier in the most recently completed round of the event.

## 2102: Champions

All divisions shall have champions in Jump, Slalom and Trick, and an Overall Champion. There will be no event champion in events with fewer than three competitors.

## 2103: Ties

- (A) **Gold Medal Tie.** If there is a tie for the gold medal in any event the following rules shall apply:
- (1) **Jump.** A runoff of three jumps per skier between the tied skiers shall be used to break the tie. This runoff shall proceed until the tie has been broken. The order of skiing shall be determined by the flip of a coin. The skier posting the highest score in the runoff shall be declared the event champion, and the skier posting the lower score shall be the silver medalist.
  - (2) **Slalom and Trick.** A runoff of two passes per skier between the tied skiers shall be used to break the tie. This runoff shall proceed until the tie has been broken. The order of skiing shall be determined by the flip of a coin. The skier posting the highest score in the runoff shall be declared the event champion, and the skier posting the lower score shall be the silver medalist.
  - (3) **Run-off Not Possible.**
    - (a) **Jump.** Should a runoff not be possible due to weather, force majeure, or injury

through no fault or action of the skier, then the longest jump attained by a tied skier from any round of the competition shall be declared the event champion and the other tied skier shall be declared the silver medalist. Should the skiers still be tied, then the second longest jump attained by a tied skier from any round of the competition shall be declared the event champion and the other tied skier shall be declared the silver medalist.

- (b) **Slalom or Trick.** Should a runoff not be possible due to weather, force majeure, or injury through no fault or action of the skier, then the highest score attained by a tied skier from any round of the competition shall be declared the event champion and the other tied skier shall be declared the silver medalist. Should the skiers still be tied, then the second highest score attained by a tied skier from any round of the competition shall be declared the event champion and the other tied skier shall be declared the silver medalist.

- (B) **Silver Medal Tie.** In the event of a tie for the silver medal, all tied skiers shall be awarded a medal and there shall be no bronze medal award.
- (C) **Bronze Medal Tie.** In the event of a tie for the bronze medal, all tied skiers shall be awarded a medal.

## 2104: Overall Scoring—Application

- (A) **Team Overall Points.** Team overalls are based on scores made by team skiers in any completed first or second round of an event.
- (1) Team Overall points are used to calculate the team results only.
  - (2) Team Overall points are definitive for team results.

**Note:** Team scoring requirements are contained in 2108.

**(B) Individual Overall.** Individual Overalls are based on scores made by all skiers in any completed round of an event and are used to calculate the individual event overall rankings.

- (1) Individual overall points are used for all divisions, thus determining the Individual Overall Champions and succeeding places in each Division.

### 2105: Overall Scoring— Calculation

**(A) Team Overall Points.** The best score by any team skier in any completed first or second round of an event shall be awarded 1000 Team Final Overall points and shall be used to calculate the Team Overall points for all team skiers.

**(B) Team Skier Overall Points.** All other performances by team skiers in those rounds shall be calculated according to the following formula, where the term 'top performance' refers to the best score by a team skier in any completed first or second round of an event.

Team Skier's Overall =  
Team Skier's best score x 1000/top performance.

**(C) Rounding.** Event and Overall scores shall be rounded to two decimal places.

**(D) Individual.** The best score by any skier in any completed round of an event shall be awarded 1000 Individual Overall points. It shall be used to calculate the Individual Overall points for all skiers.

**(E) Individual Overall Points.** All other performances by skiers in any completed round shall be calculated according to the following formula, where the term 'top performance' refers to the best score by any skier in any round of the event.

Team Skier's Overall Points =  
Team Skier's best score x 1000/top performance

**(F) Dual Division Overall Points.** For dual division skiers, the score for their single first round will be recorded for the first round of both divisions. The score for subsequent rounds shall only be used for the division in which it was scored.

### 2106: Qualification for Overalls

To be considered for overall placing, a skier shall post a positive score in at least one event.

### 2107: Overall Placing

Places in the Individual Overall Championship shall be determined by totaling each skier's overall points as determined in 2105.

### 2108: Team Placing

#### (A) Open Team

- (1) In Open Team scoring the best three overall scores per team, men and/or women, in each event, as detailed in 2105(B), shall be totaled to obtain the team score.
- (2) The three skiers whose results are used for a team score may differ from event to event.
- (3) The skiers whose scores are used in team scoring shall be identified on the team results.

#### (B) Junior Team.

- (1) In Junior Team scoring, the best two overall scores per team, boy and/or girl, in each event, as detailed in 2105(B) shall be summed to obtain the team score.
- (2) The two skiers whose results are used for a team score may differ from event to event.
- (3) The skiers whose scores are used in team scoring shall be identified on the team results.

### 2109: Score Sheets Access

**(A) Team Representative.** For the first 10 complete minutes after the event results are posted, team representatives may only view the scoring sheet(s) of their own skiers.

**(B) All Skiers.** After the first ten minutes of result posting, team representatives shall have access to the score sheet(s) of any competitor in that event.

- (C) **Skier Access.** After event results have been posted, skiers shall have access to their own scoring sheets under the direct supervision of the team representative or a person appointed by the Chief Judge.
- (D) **Viewing Area.** Score sheets shall not be removed from the designated viewing area.

## Chapter 22: Officials—World Championship

### 2201: Chief Officials

- (A) **Nomination Deadline.** No later than eleven months prior to the World Championships, Confederations or WBC members shall submit nominations in the form of a resume to the Secretary of the WBC for the positions of Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Chief Scorer, Assistant Chief Scorer, Chief Driver, Chief Video Operator, Homologator and Tournament Director.
- (B) **WBC Approval Deadline.** No later than ten months before the World Championships, the WBC shall recommend for appointments by a simple majority vote. The Chairman of the WBC shall then submit the recommended nominations to the Chairman of the IWWF.
- (C) **Appointment by IWWF Deadline.** No later than nine months before the World Championships, and on the recommendation of the WBC, the Chairman of the IWWF shall appoint the above-mentioned positions for the World Championships.
- (D) **Different Confederations.** The Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge and Chief Scorer shall be from different Confederations whenever possible.
- (E) **Qualifications.** Chief Officials shall be Level 1.

### 2202: Appointed Judges, Scorers and Drivers

- (A) **Nominations.** No less than 10 months prior to the championship or before a date to be announced by the WBC, Confederations or WBC members shall submit nominations to the World Championships. These nominations shall be submitted in the form of a resume.
- (B) **Approved by WBC.** No less than 9 months prior to the Championships or before a date to be announced by the WBC, the Appointed Judges, Scorers, and Drivers shall be decided by a simple majority vote of the WBC from those resumes submitted.
- (C) **Notification of Appointment.** The IWWF Chairman shall inform the Confederation Chairmen and the Appointed Officials of these appointments via E-mail within one week of the decision.

(D) **Qualifications.** The Nominated Judges, Scorers and Drivers shall be Level 1 or Level 2.

### (E) Quantities of Appointed Officials.

(1) **Single Lake Sites.** On single lake sites, in addition to the Lead Officials, there shall be 9 Appointed Judges, 2 Appointed Drivers, and 1 Appointed Scorer.

(2) **Two Lake Sites.** For two lake sites, additional officials shall come from each of the three confederations. The number of officials shall be based on the site and other considerations determined by the CJ, LOC and WBC Chairman. The Chief Judge shall appoint one of the Appointed Judges as Assistant Chief Judge of the second lake.

(F) **Reserve.** Each Confederation may provide a Reserve Judge, Scorer and Driver for replacement(s) as deemed necessary by the Chief Judge. Whenever possible, the Reserve, if used, shall come from the Confederation where the vacancy is.

(G) **Insufficient Quantity.** If there are not enough qualified officials available from any Confederation, the Chairman of the WBC shall select additional officials from other Confederations.

(H) **Supervision.** The Chief Judge shall select Event Judges and Assistants for each event and shall supervise all judging and scoring operations. The Chief Judge and the Assistant Chief Judge should not serve in the towboat.

(I) **Exclusion.** Officials appointed by the WBC, including the Safety Director plus any other appointed personnel who have access to official video footage of the Championships, shall not be permitted to ski in the World Championships.

### 2203: Secondary Positions

(A) **Secondary Positions.** Personnel to fill secondary positions shall be selected by the Chief Judge from other experienced Judges and officials in attendance.

(B) **Announcer.** Announcers are appointed by the LOC and are to serve under the authority of the Chief Judge.

- (C) **Secretary.** A Chief Judge's Secretary shall be appointed by the Organizers to provide administrative support to the Chief Judge. The Secretary shall be computer literate, have high levels of administration skills, and good local knowledge of the LOC's personnel and facilities.
- (D) **Pickup Drivers.** Pickup drivers shall be provided by LOC and shall be trained in water rescue techniques. Whenever possible, the Chief Judge shall assign an appointed official to be the pickup driver so they can monitor changing water conditions throughout events.
- (E) **Dock Official.** Dock officials shall be provided by LOC and assigned by the Chief Judge. Whenever possible, the Chief Judge shall assign an appointed official to the starting dock to monitor the conditions and observe boat paths.

### 2204: Independence

Where possible, Event Judges shall be separated to ensure completely independent opinions. Until the expiry of the protest period the Event Judges shall not confer on their score except to determine the last trick in time [714(D)] or to provide provisional results when an optional re-ride is offered in accordance with 1003.

### 2205: Replacing Officials

The Chief Judge can replace Event Judges and Drivers during an event at his discretion. Such changeover shall take place between groups.

### 2206: Affidavit

The Chief Judge and each Appointed Official shall sign a statement on the prescribed form at the conclusion of the Championships that the rules were followed implicitly, noting any exceptions allowed.

## Chapter 23: Video—World Championship

### 2301: Appointments

- (A) **Video Operators.** The host Federation of a World Championship shall appoint a minimum of three suitably experienced Video Operators who shall be responsible to the Chief Video Operator. Six operators shall be appointed on two lake sites.
- (B) **Video Camera.** A video camera shall be used to make a permanent record of all events.
- (C) **Ownership.** The WBC shall own the official video recordings of the championships. Any reproduction or broadcasting requires the approval of the WBC.

### 2302: Availability

- (A) **Official Assistance.** The video recording forms the official assistance to the Chief Judge, the Event Judges, and the WBC.
- (B) **Available to IWWF.** For this purpose, the original or a good copy shall be made available, free of charge, on-site to the IWWF for internal use and marketing.

### 2303: Boat Loading

- (A) **Ballast Added.** Should a camera operator leave the towboat during an event, sufficient ballast shall be placed in the towboat for the remainder of the event to avoid a significant change to the towboat wake.
- (B) **Ballast Removed.** Should a camera operator board the towboat during an event, sufficient ballast shall be removed from the towboat for the remainder of the event to avoid a significant change to the towboat wake.
- (C) **Additional Camera Operator.** An additional camera operator authorized in 1302 shall be allowed to ride in the towboat at the same time if the towboat wake is not adversely affected to a significant degree.



**PART IV:**

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## Chapter 24: Rule Clarifications

This Section provides additional explanations or clarifications of the listed Technical Rules. The listed Rules as shown are a direct extract from the Rulebook and are followed by explanatory notes. This content formerly resided in the Procedures, Policies and Guidelines on the WBC website.

### Rule 208: New Trick

To qualify a new trick for inclusion in the next World Championships, an application for that new trick shall be submitted to any member of the WBC no less than 120 days before the next World Championships and the WBC shall then adjudicate on them no less than 60 days before the next World Championships. This application shall be in the form of a video recording of the perfect trick on the long line accompanied by a written description of the trick, and proposed point value for consideration by the WBC.

**Explanatory Notes:** Failure by the WBC to determine within the required time frame will result in the application automatically being rejected from inclusion in the upcoming World Championships.

### Rule 213(B): Minimum Requirements for Boat Officials

- (3) **World Barefoot Championships.** There shall be three Level 1 Judges in the towboat. A single Level 1 Judge is permitted to replace the three Judges in the towboat to obtain and maintain a minimum of 72 kph/44.7 mph through the course as required in 1501(A).

**Explanatory Notes:** A Level 2 official may be appointed to serve at a World Championship so long as such official meets all criteria of a Level 1 official except for service as an official at a World Barefoot Championship. The “One-Judge” system should be employed at a World Championships, or Confederation Championship only when the minimum boat speed under Rule 1501 (A) cannot be achieved.

### Rule 214: WBC Rankings List

- (B) **Where Set.** Ranking scores shall be set only at tournaments homologated by the WBC, a Confederation, or an Affiliated Federation using a WBC-approved scoring program. All skiers and officials shall be registered on that program before the tournament commences.

**Explanatory Notes:** World Rankings List for Jump, Slalom, Trick, and Overall shall be maintained by the WBC for all competitors who have competed in homologated tournaments sanctioned by affiliated Federations and using a WBC Approved Scoring Program. Federations, via their Confederations, shall be responsible for providing the data to the EMS via the approved WBC program to enable a World Rankings List to be compiled.

### (C) Rounds.

- (1) No more than four daily rounds are permitted in any one competition.
- (2) Rankings List rounds shall be declared before the start of the competition.

**Explanatory Notes:** This does not mean only four rounds are permitted in any competition but that only four rounds of RL are allowed daily. Tournaments may have unlimited numbers of rounds but the four rounds that will be eligible for RL score submission must be declared before the start of the event. For multi-day tournaments, four RL rounds are permitted and must be declared each day.

### Rule 407: Jump Measurement and Calculation

A WBC-approved video jump-measurement program shall be used to obtain jump distances and shall produce results that are reproducible on readily available systems. The distance gleaned from the video will be final. See the PPG for approved jump measurement systems.

**Note:** Approved jump measurement programs are listed in the PPG or the WBC website.

**Explanatory Notes:** The following jump measurement systems have been approved by the WBC:

- Video Tape Measurement System
- Boetcher Jump Measurement System
- SplashEye Jump Measurement System

Additional approved jump measurement systems may be posted on the WBC website from time to time.

### Rule 712: Credit for Pass Tricks

**(B) Highest Scoring Sequence.** The highest-scoring sequence of tricks that complies with all rotation rules shall be used for scoring a trick pass.

**Explanatory Notes:** When scoring a trick run, the scorers must use the sequence of tricks that gives the skier the highest possible score within that sequence or group of tricks. Examples:

- (1) A positional turn performed immediately prior to or following a four 180-degree surface turn sequence can be ignored, provided that the positional turn complies with the rotational Rules under 803(A)(1).

- (2) Should the last basic and first reverse turn in a sequence of 180-degree turns be judged as a 360-degree turn and the skier has also made another 360-degree turn that would be deemed a repeated trick of the 360-degree turn within the two 180-degree turns, the turn shall be deemed to be two 180-degree turns.

### Rule 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.

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

### Rule 903: Chief Judge Decision

**(A) Chief Judge Authority.** After the Chief Judge has been made aware of the facts pertaining to a decision made by any official, the Chief Judge may then overrule that decision to ensure compliance with all rules. This overrule is not limited to protests and applies to any decision that, in the opinion of the Chief Judge, does not comply with the rules.

**Explanatory Notes:** The Chief Judge is not required to poll the officials to adjudicate protests or overrule any poor decisions. The Chief Judge may poll the officials if the Chief Judge wishes. The Chief Judge may review any relevant evidence to reach his/her decision. This rule applies not only to protests but also to any decision made by any official that does not comply with the Rules.

**Rule 1303: Official Use**

**(A) When Permitted.** The Event Judges are only permitted to view the official video of an event before the expiry of the protest time at the request of the Chief Judge or Chief Scorer, under the following circumstances:

**(1) Simple Majority.** To obtain a majority decision as to the skier's performance.

**Explanatory Notes:**

- (1) Video review shall be done in silence, maintaining the independence of the Judges.
- (2) The Chief Judge or the Chief Scorer may request an Event Judge to review the video if it is not possible for the Scorers to obtain a majority decision as to the skier's performance.
- (3) Errors or misconceptions cannot be corrected during video review. The Judges may only make decisions on issues that have no established majority.
- (4) Note that a video review is often not necessary when one Judge requests a video review. If the other two Judges have established a majority, then the review is unnecessary. It is not necessary for all three Judges to be simultaneously present for video review. One Judge may be able to review the video and decide to establish the necessary majority. Sometimes it may require two or three Judges to establish a majority. Those who are available should begin reviewing to determine if a majority can be established.
- (5) The Event Judges should notify the Scorers of any passes requiring video review when the score sheets and videotapes/diskettes are returned from the boat. The Chief Scorer should immediately provide this information to the Chief Video Officer for the queuing of the passes.
- (6) Video reviews shall always be viewed at normal speed. The video may be viewed as many times as necessary to allow the Judge(s) to decide.
- (7) Judges may not confer while reviewing the video.

- (8) When reviewing a trick pass where the Judge(s) are experiencing difficulty in determining the actual tricks performed in the pass, the Judge may choose to stop the video after a number of, or sequence of, tricks are executed. This is commonly known as "chunking." Chunking allows the Judges to focus on one or two tricks, rather than the complete trick pass. Once these tricks have been scored, the next trick or group of tricks where a majority decision cannot be reached is reviewed.
- (9) Any Judge who is still in doubt after viewing the video must refresh his/her knowledge of the applicable Rules and make his/her own determination without outside influence, other than advisement from the Chief Judge.
- (10) Clarifications of the applicable Rules are encouraged but the final decision rests with the Event Judge unless the Chief Judge invokes Rule 903.

**Rule 1303(A)(2): Failure of Timing Device**

This Rule clarifies how to determine the time parameters of a pass in the event of failure of the timing device.

**Explanatory Notes:**

- (1) If the start or end of pass cannot be determined by the combined use of the official video and the Judges' sheets, then a re-ride is mandatory. [1004(B)]
- (2) If the expiry of time is the only issue that has no majority it is not necessary for the Event Judges to view the video. Any **Appointed two Official selected** appointed by the Chief Judge may determine the expiry of time and the last trick completed in time or the zone of the last crossing in slalom.
- ~~(3) Should the two appointees not be able to establish an agreement, a third appointee shall be added to attempt to establish an agreement.~~
- ~~(34) The Chief Judge may also determine the expiry of time. If the three appointees cannot establish an agreement, the Chief Judge shall become the sole arbiter.~~
- (45) Any such ~~These~~ appointees **is** are only allowed to determine the expiry of time. They cannot determine whether a trick is for credit, or whether a crossing is perfect or imperfect.

**Rule 1303(A)(3): Exceptional Circumstances**

In circumstances that are judged to be exceptional, either the Chief Judge or Chief Scorer may instruct the Boat Judges to review the video recording to correct errors or misconceptions.

**Explanatory Notes:** “Exceptional circumstances” are not a defined set of events. The Chief Judge or Chief Scorer may determine what constitutes an exceptional circumstance. Examples:

- (1) Where a Judge clearly does not know the applicable Rules for a circumstance or has been judging under a misinterpretation of a Rule;
- (2) Where Event Judges sheets are so varied that it is clear that something has broken down in the judging system in the boat;
- (3) Where two or more Event Judges have overlooked a circumstance or occurrence that changes the event’s outcome .
- (4) A protest can be regarded as exceptional circumstances.

**Rule 1501: Boat Specifications**

- (C) Size.** The overall length shall be approximately 5m but shall not exceed 7m and the beam shall be not less than 1.80m and not more than 2.50m.

**Explanatory Notes:** The WBC-approved towboat list below does not disqualify any boat that conforms to Rule 1501. This list is solely to allow ease of homologation. Where these boats are used in competition, there is no requirement to complete the homologation section relating to towboats other than to record the make and model of the towboat.

**WBC Approved Towboat List:**

- “The Beast” ProStar 190 6.0L by MasterCraft (with barefoot plate)
- Barefoot Nautique (rear engine)
- Barefoot Nautique (mid-engine)
- Charger Ski Boats Barefooter (4-stroke outboard)
- Custom Ski Boats Protege (outboard or inboard)
- Custom Ski Boats Probe (outboard or inboard)

- Extreme Comp Barefooter by Ski-Pro
- Gecko Inboard Barefooter
- Malibu FlightCraft Outboard
- Raven Barefooter (outboard)
- Response Barefooter by Malibu Boats
- Sanger Outboard Barefooter
- Sanger DXII Barefooter
- Ski Brendella Outboard
- Ski Centurion Outboard
- Any other boat listed as an approved towboat on the WBC website.

**Rule 1706: Affidavit—Claim Documentation**

- (C) Qualified Review.** The most qualified officials available shall review the claim and all details as per 1706(D) and 1706(E) while at the tournament. Whenever possible, the Federation Record Review Committee Member should be included in the claim review before submission to the RRC Chairman. If this reviewing panel is satisfied that it’s valid and the paperwork is in order, the claim shall be put forward as per 1706(F).

**Explanatory Notes:** A Scrutiny Committee must review all potential records onsite before the record is forwarded to the WBC or Federation Records Committee. The Homologator or Chief Scorer shall advise the Chief Video Operator of potential records as soon as possible. Copies shall then be made of potential records from the event media for the sole purpose of record review. This process allows the review and ratification of records to proceed without interfering with the ongoing tournament.

**Rule 1904: Number of Event Rounds**

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



**Rule 1906: Site Familiarization**

**(A) Team Skiers.** The LOC is required to ensure that, if requested, each team be allocated, free of charge, an elapsed period between leaving and returning to the dock equal to eight minutes multiplied by the number of skiers in the team. The division of this time among the team members is the responsibility of the team representative. This time may be incorporated into pre-event training if the boats, ropes, handles, jump ramp and all courses are as they will be for the Championships.

**(B) Independent Skiers.**

- (1) An independent skier entered in the trick and/or slalom event shall be given free of charge familiarization time of two passes for each event in which he is entered,
- (2) An independent skier entered in the jump event shall be allowed free of charge familiarization time of one jump,
- (3) An independent skier who is qualified in more than one event may use the skier's familiarization passes for any event he is entered.
- (4) Familiarization for independents shall be scheduled as close to their Federation's team's scheduled familiarization time as practical. The LOC shall schedule independents with no Federation team present wherever expedient.

**(C) Starting Order.** The starting order in familiarization shall, as far as practicable, be in the order of distance traveled from the home base, e.g., the further the travel the later the turn.

**Explanatory Notes:****Management of Site Familiarization**

- (1) Site Familiarization shall be controlled by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC).
- (2) The LOC shall ensure the tournament competition area, jump course and ramp, start docks and towers are in tournament-ready condition and the towboats and tow ropes used for site practice/site familiarization are identical to those that will be used in the tournament.

- (3) The contestants will be permitted to familiarize themselves with the tournament site, ramp, and equipment.
- (4) Site Familiarization shall be integrated into the time made available to all teams for paid practice during the week(s) preceding the start of the tournament.
- (5) The LOC shall advise Federations in Bulletin No. 2 of the cut-off date when teams and independent skiers are required to register for free-of-charge (FOC) site familiarization.
- (6) The LOC is required to ensure that if a Federation registers an intent to undertake site familiarization by the cut-off date, the team will be allocated an elapsed period between leaving and returning to the dock, equal to eight minutes FOC multiplied by the number of skiers in the team. The division of this time among the Team Members is the responsibility of the **Team Representative**.
- (7) An independent skier who registers an intent to undertake site familiarization by the cut-off date, shall be given three minutes of FOC familiarization time for each event in which he is entered, up to a maximum of eight minutes. Familiarization for independents shall be scheduled as close to their Federation's team's scheduled familiarization time as practical. The LOC shall schedule independents with no Federation team present wherever expedient.
- (8) Federations and Independent skiers who do not register for site familiarization with the LOC prior to the cut-off date shall be allowed FOC site familiarization time if and only as the established site familiarization schedule permits.
- (9) The starting order for Federations registered for FOC familiarization shall, as far as practicable, be in the order of distance traveled from the home base, i.e., the further the travel the later the turn.



**Rule 2204: Independence**

Where possible, Event Judges shall be separated to ensure completely independent opinions. Until the expiry of the protest period the Event Judges shall not confer on their score except to determine the last trick in time [714(D)] or to provide provisional results when an optional re-ride is offered in accordance with 1003.

**Explanatory Notes:** *Judges may not confer on the issues or express their opinions before, during, or after video review until the protest time has expired.*

# BAREFOOT WATER-SKI TECHNICAL RULES – 2025



## World Masters Championships

January 2025

***The technical rules for the Masters Championships shall be identical to those in the most current WBC Technical Rules (“Technical Rules”) with the exception of the modifications to the Technical Rules as stated below:***

***Any reference in the Technical Rules to the World Championships shall be applicable to this tournament if appropriate.***

# IWWF World Masters Championships

## Rule 1—Championship Events

### 1.1 Events

There shall be 3 events: Slalom, Trick and Jump. Individual Overall scoring is from either round. Team scoring is from either round.

The final round will determine individual event medals.

### 1.2 Rounds

There will be 2 rounds for all events, except jump, Divisions II - IV, which will only have a final round. There will be no jump event for Division V. All skiers will ski the first round in their Divisions seeded in order of the rankings List.

All skiers will ski the final round in their Divisions seeded in order of their first-round scores. Skiers with no first-round score do not ski in the final round.

### 1.3 World Championships Entry and Administration

Deadlines shall generally follow the Technical Rules but shall be set by the organizer with approval of the Chairman of the IWWF Barefoot Council.

### 1.4 Approval of Entry by Federation

All skiers must be approved by their federation to enter.

## Rule 2—Championship Entry Requirements

### 2.1 Team Selection

All skiers entered will be part of their federation team.

### 2.2 Skier Eligibility

Skiers eligible for this competition are Men and Women in the Divisions listed below.

Skiers must ski in their Division.

All ages refer to the age of the skier on the 31st of December of the year prior to the Masters Championships.

Division	Age	Slalom	Trick	Jump
I	35-44	✓	✓	✓
II	45-54	✓	✓	✓
III	55-64	✓	✓	✓
IV	65-74	✓	✓	✓
V	75+	✓	✓	✓

### 2.3 No Minimum Number of Skiers

Skiers will ski in their event and Division regardless of the number of skiers entered in that event.

## Rule 3—Overall and Team Scoring and Competition

### 3.1 Overall Scores

Individual and team overall scores will be calculated using the skier's top score from the two rounds.

Division	Age	Events Included in Individual and Team Overall
I	35-44	Trick, Slalom, Jump
II	45-54	Trick, Slalom
III	55-64	Trick, Slalom
IV	65-74	Trick, Slalom
V	75+	Trick, Slalom

The jump scores for Divisions II - IV will not be included in the individual overall or team overall scores.

### 3.2 Team Scoring

The federation's top skier score from each Division from each event will be used to calculate the team's results. The score taken will be the overall score as determined using Rule 2105 of WBC Technical Rules.

Only one score from any eligible event will be used to calculate the team result.

If only two skiers enter an event the maximum team score shall be 667 points. The second-place team score shall be a percentage of 667 points.

Example: Slalom Event: 2 skiers register scores of 8 and 6.

- Top skier's team score 667 points.
- Second skier's team score 500 points.

If only one skier enters an event the maximum team/overall score shall be 333 points.

### 3.3 Team Scoring Single Score From All Divisions

Team scores shall be comprised of the sum of the top teams scores for each event per 3.1.

## Rule 4—Judges and Assistants

### 4.1 Choosing Appointed Judges

There shall be at least one judge from each of the two confederations that the championships are not being held in.

### 4.2 Officials' Divisions

Judges, drivers, and scorers may not officiate in the Divisions in which they compete.

### 4.3 Lead Officials

The lead officials shall be non-skiers and shall be limited to:

- Chief Judge
- Assistant Chief Judge/Level 1 Judge
- Chief Scorer
- Two Level 1 Judges
- Chief Driver/Driver
- Chief Video
- Homologator\*

\*Homologator duties shall be assumed, in most cases, by the Assistant Chief Judge or another judge named above.

### 4.4 Provisions for Officials

The LOC will provide the following for the officials listed in 4.03.

- Accommodation
- Meals each day of the competition, or a meal allowance
- An airport shuttle service

Daily transport will be coordinated by the officials and federation teams.

### 4.5 Remaining Officials

The remaining officials shall be selected from other qualified candidates prior to the start of the tournament as determined by the WBC selection process, and, if necessary, by the Chief Judge on site. Officials may be skiers participating in the tournament. All such officials will not be provided with accommodation, meals or airport shuttle service.

**Rule 5—Names of Championships****IWWF World Masters Championships****Rule 6—Masters Grand Champion**

The following Masters Grand Champion medals will be awarded using the skiers' top score in jump, slalom, and trick from the two rounds:

**(A) Individual Events (Men & Women)**

- (1) Gold
- (2) Silver
- (3) Bronze

**(B) Overall (Men & Women)**

- (1) Gold
- (2) Silver
- (3) Bronze.

**Rule 7—Masters Records**

Records for Masters Divisions will be listed in The Records History.





















