



Waterski Additional Rules 2024

C O N T E N T S

These British Waterski Additional Rules produced by The British Waterski and Wakeboard Federation Limited (**BWSW**) should always be read with reference to the IWWF Waterski Rules and the E & A Additional Rules.

Priority for the use of these three rule books for running and judgement of all events is as follows:

1. IWWF Waterski Rules. (World) as amended by
2. E & A Additional Rules. (Europe & Africa) as amended by
3. British Waterski Additional Rules.

Clarification of any of these Rules can be provided by the British Waterski Technical Working Group (Toutech), Email: toutech@bwsf.co.uk

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1.1 TRICKS RECORDS

WORLD	12690	Patricio Font, Mex	Masters Qualifying, FL, USA 12 May 2023
	11360	Erika Lang USA	Sunset Lakes FL, USA 23 June 2023
EUROPEAN	12570	Alexi Zharnasek, BLR	Trick Jam, Florida 29 April 2011
	10630	Giannina Bonnemann GER	Botaski, Spain, 23 June 2023
BRITISH	12160	Joel Poland	Robin Lake, Florida, 28 th May 2022
	6820	Nicola Rasey	Martigues, FRA 1984
UNDER 10	2080	Thomas Poole	3 Round Trick, Thorpe, 7 May 2006
	1690	Amber Butterfield	Princess, 18 Sept 2011
UNDER 12	4350	Stephen Critchley	British Youth, Town Loch, 19 th Aug 00
	3530	Isabel Cosgrove	Baurech Classic, France - 9 October 2023
UNDER 14	7150	Thomas Asher	British Youth, Kirtons Farm, Aug 94
	5240	Rachel Crosland	GB v FRA v ITA, , ITA October 94
UNDER 17	9610	Joel Poland	E&A Youth Italy, 13 th Aug 2016
	6060	Corinna Williams	Euro Youth Cup Aug 1992
UNDER 21	11030	Joel Poland	U21 Worlds Canada 2019
	5840	Sarah Gatty Saunt	European U/21 Krenek CZE Aug 97
CATEGORY 2	9100	Tom Asher	Hazelwoods, 9 August 2008
	5370	Philippa Shedd MBE	Int Seniors, Tallington Aug 1995
35+	6810	Jason Seals	35+ World Champs, Florida Oct 14
	5780	Philippa Roberts MBE	Int . Veterans, Tallington, Aug 96
45+	5090	Andy Mapple OBE	Senior World Mexico, Nov 2012
	4200	Philippa Shedd MBE	Senior World/E&A, 6 th Sept 2010
55+	4330	Mick Hazelwood MBE	Hazelwoods, 10 th July 2021
	4110	Philippa Shedd MBE	Stillwater Lakes, Florida 3 rd July 2022
65+	2130	Ernie Ward	British Seniors, Tallington, Jul 98
	1580	Vivien Brown	British Seniors, Gosfield, 13 Aug 2011
70+	1230	John Philips	Holy Cow Cup, Florida, 15 th October 2022
	890	Juliet Thompson	British 35+, Oxford, 12 th August 2021
75+	970	John Philips	Ski Fluid, Florida, 28th April 2023
	780	Juliet Thompson	E&A 35+ Championships 17 September 2023

1.2 SLALOM RECORDS

WORLD	2.5	@ 9.75m/58kph	Nate Smith, USA	Ski Ranch, Covington 7 th Sep 2013
	5	@ 10.25m/55kph	Regina Jaquess USA	Malibu Open USA, FL, 15 Sept 2023
EUROPE	2	@ 9.75m/58kph	Will Asher, GBR	Travers GP, Florida, 7 th October 2022
	2	@10.25m/55kph	Manon Costard, FRA	Shortline Lake, CA, 29 th August 2021
BRITISH	2	@ 9.75m/58kph	Will Asher	Travers GP, Florida, 7 th October 2022
	3.25	@ 10.75m/55kph	Nicole Arthur, GBR	Diablo Shores, USA Sept 2010
UNDER 10	3	@ 13m/49kph	Harrison Crossland	McCormicks, USA, 18 th September 2016
	2	@ 14.25m/49kph	Isabel Cosgrove	Sesena, Spain, 2nd October 2021
UNDER 12	4	@ 13m/55kph	Robert Hazelwood	Three Sisters, GBR 11 Aug 2011
	1	@ 13m/55kph	Amelia Winter	British Youth, Thorpe, 30 July 2004
	1	@ 13m/55kph	Charlotte Wharton	South Lake, 3 rd August 2007
From 2017	1	@ 11/52kph	Harley Coster	Gosfield, 24 th September 2022
	3	@ 13m/52kph	Isabel Cosgrove	Turps Trophy, Gosfield 16 Sept 2023
UNDER 14	3.5	@ 11.25m/55kph	Harley Coster	Turps Trophy, Gosfield, 17 Sept 2023
	4	@ 12m/55kph	Amelia Winter	Princes 17 September 2006
From 2018	2	@ 12m/52kph	Molly Lee	Thorpe 7 th October 2018
UNDER 17	4	@ 10.75m/58kph	Robert Hazelwood	OWSC, 11 th June 2016
	2	@ 11.25m/55kph	Nicole Arthur	World Juniors Florida 03 Sept 2004
UNDER 21	3	@ 10.25m/58kph	William Asher	E&A Under 21 Thorpe, Aug 2003
	3	@ 10.25m/58kph	Robert Hazelwood	Lago Valle Maipo, Chile, 3 rd Mar 2019
	1	@ 10.75m/55kph	Nicole Arthur	Sesena ESP, 8 October 2006
CATEGORY 2	5	@ 10.25m/58kph	Freddie Winter	Lake Hancock, USA 27 th Apr 2016
	1.5	@ 11.25m/55kph	Philippa Shedd MBE	Int. Veterans, Tallington, Aug 1995
35+	5.5	@ 10.25m/55kph	Jeremy Newby-Ricci	Gravon, France, 8 th Sep 2013
	4	@ 11.25m/55kph	Philippa Shedd, MBE	Palm Bay, Florida 28 Aug 2004
45+	1	@ 9.75m/55kph	Andy Mapple OBE	35+ World Champs Florida Oct 2014
	3	@ 11.m/55kph	Philippa Shedd MBE	Palm Bay USA 22 July 2006
From 2021	4	@ 11.00m/52kph	Philippa Shedd	Palm Bay, Florida 5 July 2023
55+	2	@ 10.75 /55kph	Tim Hazelwood	Hazelwoods Ski World - Nationals 2019
	3	@ 16m/55kph	Vivien Brown	British Snrs, Cirencester 8 Aug 2004
From 2013	1	@ 10.75/52kph	Philippa Shedd MBE	Palm Bay, USA, 2 nd July 2017
65+	2	@ 12m/55kph	Anthony Newby-Ricci	Gravon, France. 5 th Sept 2009
From 2013	0.5	@ 10.75m/52kph	Jonathon Cohen	Sesena, Spain, 1st Oct 2017
	1	@ 14m/49kph	Carol Worship	Gosfield Lake 16 th July 2014
70+	4	@ 11.25m/52kph	Jonathon Cohen	Archachon, France 2 July 2023
	3.5	@ 18.25m/49kph	Carol Worship	Hazelwoods, 10 th July 2021
75+	0.5	@ 12m/49kph	John Philips	Ski Fluid, Florida 28 April 2023
	2	@ 16m/46kph	Carol Worship	Hazelwoods, 2 nd May 2022

1.3 JUMP RECORDS			
WORLD	77.4m	Ryan Dodd, CAN	Palm Bay, USA, 1 st July,2017
	61.3m	Jacinta Carroll AUS	Lake Grew, Florida, 31 st October 2021
EUROPEAN	71.9m	Bojan Schipner GER	Isle Hancock, USA, 1 st May 2014
	58.6m	Natalia Berdnikava, BLR	Winter Garden , USA 23 Jun 2012
BRITISH	71.7m	Joel Poland	California ProAm, 27 August 2023
	51.5m	Jakalyn Hunter	Lacanau 7 July 2006
UNDER 14	43.8m	Tom Parkin	Hazelwoods, 1 st August 2019
	30.1m	Charlotte Wharton	Hazelwoods. 21 st June 2009
UNDER 17	56.7m	Jack Critchley	Yth Nationals , Hazelwoods Aug 2013
	40.1m	Charlotte Wharton	Hazelwoods, 26 June 2011
UNDER 21	68.9m	Jack Critchley	Hazelwoods, 20 th Aug 2017
	47.7m	Charlotte Wharton	U21 Euros, Norway, 24 th Jul 16
CATEGORY 2	58.3m	Tom Asher	Hazelwoods, 9 August 2008
	44.5m	Jakalyn Hunter	Int Seniors Tallington 11 Aug 2002
35+	65.7m	Jason Seels	35+ World Champs, Florida Oct 14
	42.6m	Philippa Shedd, MBE	Int. Veterans, Tallington, Aug 96
45+	55.5m	Tim Hazelwood	Hazelwoods, 21 st Aug 2014
	30.7m	Philippa Shedd MBE	E&A Segrate, 6 th Sept 2010
55+	48.4m	Tim Hazelwood	Hazelwoods, Uk, 3 rd Aug 2018
	31.2m	Philippa Shedd MBE	35+ Worlds, Chile,2 nd Dec 2018
65+	38.3m	Paul Hammersley	E&A 35+ Champs, France 18 Sept 2023
	14.3m	Viv Brown	GB Seniors, 13 Aug 2011
70+	18.3m	John Philips	Holy Cow Cup, Florida. 15 th October 2022
75+	12.8m	John Philips	E&A 35+ Champs, France 17 Sept 2023

1.4 SKI FLY RECORDS

WORLD	95.0m	Freddy Krueger USA	Michigan, USA 7 th Aug 2015
	69.4m	Elena Milakova RUS	US Masters 26 May 2002
EUROPEAN	85.4m	Jason Seels GBR	Orlando Florida 21 May 2004
	69.4m	Elena Milakova RUS	US Masters 26 May 2002
BRITISH	85.4m	Jason Seels	Orlando Florida 21 May 2004
	57.9m	Sarah Gatty Saunt	Okaheelee USA 22 Sept 00

1.5 OVERALL RECORDS

WORLD	2670.62	Joel Poland	Malibu Open, Lymanland, 16 Sept 2023
	2@10.25		
	11680 Points, 69.3m		
EUROPEAN	3126.52	Natalia Berdnikava, BLR	Masters LCQ, USA 19 May 2012
	3@11m,		
	9740 points, 58m		
BRITISH	2670.62	Joel Poland	Malibu Open, Lymanland, 16 Sept 2023
	See World		
	3126.52	Natalia Berdnikava, BLR	Masters LCQ, USA 19 May 2012
BRITISH	See World		
	58m		
	2670.62	Joel Poland	Malibu Open, Lymanland, 16 Sept 2023
See World			
2273.99	Charlotte Wharton	Malibu Multi, July 2016	
1.5@11m,			
4990points, 47.2m			

2. BRITISH RECORD REGULATIONS

2.1 FRAMEWORK

- a) No person may claim a British Record unless at the time of the performance they are a current member of BWSW and in possession of a current Competition Licence.
- b) From and including 2010 all British Records must be from performances at IWWF or Region E&A Record (R) or Rankings List (L) Homologated Competitions.
- c) Under 10 and U12 Records must be from IWWF or E&A R or L homologated performances at competitions under BWSW Under 10 and Under 12 regulations.
- d) Under 14, Under 17 and Under 21 and all 35+ Age Category Records must be from IWWF or E&A R or L homologated performances at competitions under IWWF or E&A Under 14, Under 17 and Under 21 and 35+ regulations.
- e) British National Records (Open Men and Open Women) must be from IWWF or E&A R or L homologated performances only.
- f) Any Tricks Record application over 7000 points set at overseas R or L homologated events must be accompanied by the Judges sheets.
- g) Any performance equalling or exceeding the existing Region E&A or World Record will not be accepted as a British Record unless it was performed at a Record Capability (R) competition and the record is accepted by the Region E&A or World Waterski Council. (See Note on Region E&A Rule below).
- h) Any performance equalling or exceeding the existing Region E&A or World Record not performed in a Record Capability (R) competition and not accepted by either the IWWF or the E&A Waterski Councils as a Record but accepted as a performance on the IWWF or E&A Ranking List, will be accepted as a British Record at the next score below the existing IWWF or E&A Record. This will be 10 points less in Tricks, 0.1m less in Jump and ½ (or ¼) buoy less in Slalom. Only those scores performed at L homologated events, where all the requirements of the regulations of L homologation were met, will be considered by the British Waterski Technical Working Group for ratification. This Rule applies to British Open Men and Open Women's records only.
- i) **If a skier breaks a Record it is up to that skier to inform toutech@bwsf.co.uk as quickly as possible after the Competition and submit a Record Claim Form (Available from www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk/resources/) showing the performance, location, date, skiers name, age category and the Competition name, send a copy of the official results and where required the official video footage.**
- j) Should a Under 10, Under 12, Under 14, Under 17 or Under 21 skier compete in an older age category or open competition, the performance will count for British Record purposes as the category in which he/she competed and not his/her actual age category, however (for Tricks ONLY) if the performance betters the current Open Record it will count in both the relevant Age Category and the Open Category.
- k) Should a 35+ skier compete in a younger age category or open competition, the performance will count for British Record purposes as the category in which he/she competed and not his/her actual age category, but a record achieved in the skiers actual Age Category cannot be applied to a lower Age Category
- l) For competitions where the British Waterski Selection committee selects the British entry, the category in which the skier is entered will be at the discretion of that committee.

2.2 RATIFICATION OF BRITISH WATERSKI RECORDS

To have a record entered into the history of the sport means that the performance should not be open to question. This is especially important in the Trick event and it must be understood that a score announced at a competition may not necessarily be a record score. Therefore, all Trick Records are subject to a video review. All British Waterski Records will normally be ratified by the Technical Working Group. The only exception is that any Record, accepted as a World or E & A Record, by the IWWF or E & A, will automatically be accepted as ratified as a British Record.

Slalom and Jump Records

For all potential Records in Slalom and Jump the results of Competitions homologated to L or R will usually be accepted as a British Record. Except that in circumstances that the Technical Working Group consider exceptional the Technical

Working Group may agree to review the homologation dossier, DVD or Video recordings and/or the Judges sheets to decide if the potential Record will be ratified as a British Record.

Tricks

A recording of the skier's runs is required by the Technical Working Group for the ratification of all British Trick Records over 7000 points. It is the skier's responsibility to provide this recording. All Officials are required to assist skier's gain a copy of the official recording where a potential Record has been performed.

All Open, U21 and other potential Trick Records over 7000 points will be reviewed by a panel of 5 Judges appointed by the Technical Working Group.

Normally for potential Records of below 7000 points the Technical Working Group may accept the results of the Competition but in circumstances considered exceptional the Technical Working Group may require a review by a panel of 5 Judges.

Trick Record Review Process

The Technical Working Group shall review the official recording of trick runs from the competition and agree the tricks performed within the 20 seconds. If the official recording (DVD or Video) is not available or is of such poor quality that it is not possible to ascertain if some tricks were performed according to the rules, an alternative recording from the boat may be used. Where the official recording is not available or of poor quality and no alternative recording is available the Record shall not be allowed.

The 5 Judges (J1 or J2) appointed by the Technical Working Group may review the recording independently or together and shall confer between themselves to agree the correct result. They will submit to the Technical Working Group a list of the Tricks performed with any disallowances clearly shown. There is no limit to the number of times each Judge may review the recording before submitting the list.

In the unlikely event of the 5 Judges failing to agree the judgement of any of the tricks, the Technical Working Group may accept a majority decision of the 5 Judges but this should be avoided whenever possible and the 5 Judges will be encouraged to confer and reach agreement on the judgement of all tricks.

Where the 5 Judges agree on the judgement of all tricks in the skiers run, or the Technical Working Group accepts a majority decision as above, the score will be accepted as a new British Record.

Any new Record agreed by the Technical Working Group may be a greater or smaller score than the original result of the Competition at which the new record was performed.

The Technical Working Group will make every effort to notify the skier of the result of the review within about one month of the day of receipt of the copy of the official recording.

The object of this "process" is for the Record to be the actual score the skier performed.

NOTE: - E&A Region Additional Rules – Rule 24 Europe & Africa Records

Rule 24.1e states: - "No Federation shall ratify a National Record if it equals or exceeds the current World or E&A Record, unless it is also ratified as a World or E&A record.

3. PRICE STRUCTURE FOR CURRENT YEAR

3.1 COMPETITION LICENCES

	<u>Annual Charge</u>
Competitors Licence except below	£42.50 VAT exempt
Licence up to and including year of 17 th birthday	£20.00 VAT exempt
Licence for competitors over 65 years of age	£25.00 VAT exempt
One off Licence fee	£15.00 VAT exempt

ALL COMPETITORS TAKING PART IN ANY RANKINGS LIST EVENT MUST HAVE ACQUIRED AN IWWF LICENCE VIA THE IWWF EVENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS) AS WELL AS A BRITISH COMPETITORS LICENCE AS RULE 3.1.

3.2 BRITISH COMPETITION LEVIES

Competition organisers are required to pay £1.50 per competitor's tow to British Water Ski based on the number of competitor/tows for their event.

British Water Ski will invoice the organisers for their levy, based on the actual number of competitor/tows after the competition is over.

Please note if a competition is cancelled then a one-off fee of £60.00 will be levied.

For any National Championships levies will only be charged on the preliminary round tows.

No levies will be charged for Normal Homologation events in 2024.

3.3 E&A LEVIES AND CHARGES

E&A International Calendar Competition (Rankings List)	(220 euro) £180 plus VAT
E&A Cash prize events	£270 plus VAT
E&A Normal Homologation (Free for 2024)	(120 euro)£90 plus VAT

3.4 SITE AND COURSE CHECKING FOR NORMAL HOMOLOGATION EVENTS

One day ski site check and course survey	£65.00 plus VAT plus travel and accommodation (if necessary) of Homologator
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It is recommended that should any part of the Slalom, Trick or Jump courses be moved or receives major work during the season, a re-check on the Homologation of the course should be carried out as soon as possible.

3.5 SUGGESTED ENTRY FEES FOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

These entry fees do not include familiarisation

British National Championships/Youth/35+

Per Event	£55.00 VAT Exempt
Per three events	£130.00 VAT Exempt

When the National Championships are run together competitors may enter their own AGE Category PLUS the Open Nationals if they wish. An additional entry fee will be charged for each extra category.

3.6 SUNDRY ITEMS

- A IWWF Waterski Rulebook 2024
- B IWWF E&A Additional Rules 2024
- C British Waterski Chief Judges Report 2024
- D British Waterski First Aid Report 2024
- E Slalom & Jump Timing Charts 2024

- All items are available for download from www.tournamentwaterskiing.org.uk

4. DIRECTORY OF OFFICIALS

ALL OFFICIALS MUST BE CURRENT MEMBERS OF BRITISH WATER SKI IN ORDER TO OFFICIATE AT COMPETITIONS. OFFICIALS MEMBERSHIP STATUS CAN BE CHECKED ON THE BWSW WEBSITE. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT AS OFFICIALS' INSURANCE COVER IS NOT VALID UNTIL MEMBERSHIP IS CURRENT. JUDGES WHO HAVE NOT BEEN MEMBERS OF BWSW SINCE 2020/21 HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE LISTS AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE APPROPRIATE THEORY EXAM BEFORE RE-INSTATEMENT

4.1 JUDGES

J1 International

Arron Davies
Gavin Kelly
Tom Poole

J2 International

Gill Asher
Tom Asher
John Battleday
Eleanor Benjamin
Roy Collins (Emeritus)
Claire Ellis
Ben Hazelwood
Rob Hazelwood
Clair Hoile
Nick McGarry
Barry Odell
Sanchia Outram
Harry Spavin
Rob Spavin
David Stevenson
Catherine Wharton
Charlotte Wharton
Paul Wharton

J2*(2event)

International

Mark Burr ridge
Mike Burke (J3)
Jack Critchley
Peter Davies
Patric Foley-Brickley
David Grey (J3)
Gill Heath
Kevin Heath
Stuart Hills (J3)
Richard Mattos
Val Parkin (J3)
Stuart Scott-Ely
Vince Turp (J3)
Chris Wharton (J3)

J3 National

Amber Butterfield
Marc Grinhaff
Andrew Haslam
Tim Hazelwood
Bobby Miller
Tom Parkin
Tegan Brady
Danielle Hall

J3 (2 event)

Adrian Asher
Jennifer Benjamin
Viv Brown
Tom Burke
Sue Campbell
Ian Daws
Andy Dyson
Allan Fardon
Jim Metcalf
Rodney Rowlands
Oli Scutt
Matt Sherriff
Beverly Stephenson
Carl Turp
Anny Wooldridge
Harry Young
Sophie Bates
Chris Heron

4.2 HOMOLOGATORS

H1 (International)

Peter Collins
Peter Davies
Nigel Talamo

H2 (Senior)

Ady Asher
Mark Burr ridge
Tom Poole

H3 (National)

Matt Sherriff
James Timothy
Arron Davies

4.3 SCORERS

S1 (International)

Paul Airey
Catherine Wharton
Audrey Collins (Emeritus)

S2 (International)

S3 (National 1)

Sue Campbell
Gill Heath
Sanchia Outram
Sarah Sherriff
Charlotte Wharton
Aimi Day

S4 (National 2)

NOTE:

All qualified Int. Judge 1s, Int. Judge 2's and National 3 Event Judges are deemed to be (S4) National 2 Scorers.

4.5 DRIVERS**D1 (International)**

Adrian Asher
 Ian Campbell
 Phil Ingle
 Tony Song
 Vince Turp
 Paul Wharton

D2 (International)

Mark Burridge
 Tony Cise
 Peter Davies
 Nathan McGarry

D3 (National 1)

Andy Finley (2 Event)
 Peter Hogben (2 Event)
 Jamie Bloemsma (2 Event)
 Steve Glanfield (2 event)
 Greg Perry
 Will Oliver
 Chris Wharton
 Benjamin Turp
 Arron Davies
 Andy Dyson (2 Event)

D4 (National 2)

John Battleday
 Paul Hammersley
 Tim Hazelwood
 Stuart Wood
 Chris Heron
 Alan Atkins

D5 (BWS Driver)

Andy Wetherell
 Campbell Cavanna

4.5 TECHNICAL OFFICERS

Ian Collins
 Peter Collins
 George Hazelwood
 Richard Mattos

4.6 COMMITTEES**Waterski Committee**

Chair- Steve Sopp
 George Hazelwood
 Vince Turp
 Stuart Hills
 Gavin Kelly
 Hilary Winter
 Ali White
 Chris Heron
 Roy Collins (Emeritus
 Member)

Waterski Technical**Working Group (Toutech)****Core Group**

Gavin Kelly
 Barry Odell
Advisers
 Ian Collins
 George Hazelwood
 Paul Airey
 Richard Mattos
 Catherine Wharton
 Pete Davies

Selection Committee

Chair - Steve Sopp
 Barry Odell
 Tom Williams
 Chris Heron

FoT Committee

Gavin Kelly
 Dusko Lukic
 Stuart Hills

SECTION 2 - BRITISH ADDITIONAL RULES

Wherever feasible the current International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation Waterski Rules and any amendments applicable to Region E&A (Europe and Africa) will apply at all British Water Ski Calendar competitions, except for details such as Slalom start speeds and except as amended in the following British Waterski rules. The Waterski Committee has the power to make exceptions to these rules if it believes they are in the interests of the sport as whole.

British Water Ski Bylaws concerning competitor behaviour, official's behaviour and Doping Rules apply to all persons taking part in waterskiing in Britain. Copies of these rules are available free of charge to licence holders and officials and are published on the British Water Ski and Tournament Waterskiing in UK, Web pages

6. BRITISH WATER SKI AGE CATEGORIES

Open	Any age	
Under 10	Under 10 (Slalom & Tricks only) *	(up to & including year of 10th birthday)
Under 12	Under 12 (overall is Tricks & Slalom) There is also a Jump U12 cat	(up to & including year of 12th birthday)
Under 14	Under 14	(up to & including year of 14th birthday)
Under 17	Under 17	(up to & including year of 17th birthday)
Under 21	Under 21	(up to & including year of 21st birthday)
35+	35 and over	} ages for these categories
45+	45 and over	} are as at 31st December
55+	55 and over	} of the previous year
65+	65 and over	}
70+	70 and over	}
75+	75 and over	}
80+	80 and over	}
85+	85 and over	}

* An Under 10 skier wishing to slalom in the Youth Championships, must also compete in Tricks. Two rounds of Tricks may be entered with the best score counting to the overall result. A skier who fails to start and actively compete in Tricks will receive a zero score in slalom. Both rounds of Tricks must be entered before the competition starts. An under 10 may ski in Tricks only

6. BRITISH WATERSKI COMPETITION RULES

6.1 SET DOWN AT THE END OF EACH COMPLETED PASS

This is a clarification of world rules. At all speeds below the maximum, for any age Category (except +65, see below), where the skier completes the pass (6 buoys), the boat will continue to the next pass (speed) without stopping. There is no requirement or need for the boat to "set down" or stop when the skier is not shortening the rope. Under exceptional circumstances, (Normally adverse water conditions) after discussion with the Competition organiser and boat driver(s) the Chief Judge may opt to "set down" for a specific time. When the Chief Judge opts to "set down" it will be at both/either end of the course and a notice will be posted before the start of the first round of the event. When no notice is posted the event shall proceed normally with no "set down" between passes. It should be noted that at most sites there is very little or no advantage in water conditions by allowing "set down" between passes.

Under Rule 6.2 below, 65+ skiers have an option to "set down". All other age category skiers are required to continue to the next pass as detailed above.

6.2 SPECIAL SLALOM OPTIONS/RULES

In all competitions, including National competitions, 65+ Ladies and 65 + Men may opt to set down after every pass. In all competitions, including National competitions, younger skiers may ski in an older category than the one for which they qualify, and Senior skiers may ski in a younger category. In these cases, they will comply with the rules associated with the category in which they have chosen to ski.

In all cases where skiers are being scored with shortenings at different speeds, for comparison purposes each 3 kph decrease will reduce the score by six buoys (i.e. 14.25 metres @ 52 kph will equate to 16 metres @55 kph or 18.25 metres @ 58 kph).

SKIERS WISHING TO USE ANY OPTION AT AN EVENT MUST NOTIFY THE ORGANISERS IN ADVANCE ON THE COMPETITION ENTRY FORM AND SLALOM SHORTENING SPEED MAY NOT BE CHANGED DURING A COMPETITION

6.3 SPECIAL SLALOM RERIDE RULE

All Skiers who start at 49 kph or less (men) and at 46 kph or less (women) who fail on their first pass may, at the organiser's discretion, have a second "go" from the other end and may continue if successful. Once taken the second (chance) pass is the score that counts. This also applies to E & A Rankings list competitions. However please note only the first attempt will count towards Rankings, the second attempt will only count for the competition on the day.

6.4 JUMP HEIGHT/SPEED REGULATIONS

SEE WORLD RULE 10.05

		Max jump speed	Ramp height
Under-12	Girls	45 kph	1.35m or 1.50m recommended 1.35
	Boys	45 kph	1.35m or 1.50m recommended 1.35
Under-14	Girls	45 kph	1.35m or 1.50m
	Boys	48 kph Recommended 45Kph up to 20m	1.35m. or 1.50m
Under-17	Girls	51 kph	1.50m
	Boys	51 kph	1.50m or 1.65m
Under-21 /Open	Women	54 kph	1.50m or 1.65m
	Men	57 kph	1.50m or 1.65m or 1.80m
35+	Women	51 kph	1,50m
	Men	57 kph	1.50m or 1.65m
45+	Women	51 kph	1.50m
	Men	54 kph	1.50m
55+	Women	51 kph	1.50m
	Men	51 kph	1.50m
65+	Women	48 kph	1.50m
	Men	51 kph	1.50m
70+	Women	45 kph	1.50m
	Men	51 kph	1.50m
75+	Women	45 kph	1.50m
	Men	48 kph	1.50m
80+	Women	45 kph	1.50m
	Men	48 kph	1.50m
85+	Women	45 kph	1.50m
	Men	45 kph	1.50m

The Chief Judge in agreement with the organiser may allow the use of a lower ramp height for a specific division or divisions.

6.5 BRITISH WATERSKI OVERALL SCORING

The following amendment to World Rule 15.04c will be used at all National, U14, U17, U21, 35+, and All Regions competitions and is recommended for all other competitions: -

Tricks and Slalom	<u>Skiers score</u> Score of top competing overall skier	x 1000
Men's Jump	<u>Skiers score - 10 metres</u> Score of top competing overall skier - 10 metres	x 1000
Ladies Jump	<u>Skiers score - 7 metres</u> Score of top competing overall skier - 7	x 1000

Slalom score: This means the score in buoys from the start speed of the competition.

Score of top competing overall skiers: This means the highest score of the skiers who have entered all three events. Any skier who is competing in one or two events only is classed as a "specialist skier" and the scores will not be used in the calculation of the overall points

6.6 CHANGE OF SKIER STARTING ORDER OR AGE CATEGORY

SEE IWWF WATERSKI RULE 14.12 FOR A CHANGE OF ORDER. ONCE DISQUALIFIED FROM ANY EVENT AT A COMPETITION, THAT SKIER MAY NOT SKI IN THE SAME EVENT IN ANY AGE CATEGORY IN THAT COMPETITION.

- a. No change of age category or starting order is permitted after the published starting time of the first event of the competition. An exception to this is where the Chief Judge and Scorer agree a genuine error has been made then a skier may be changed to their actual age category only. (The actual Age Category for a Youth Skier is the youngest age category for which they are qualified.) It is the responsibility of the skier to notify the Chief Judge or Scorer if they have been placed in the wrong age category before the published starting time of the first event.
- b. A skier who on the entry form enters an older age category than their actual age category but initially is placed in their actual age category will be permitted to ski in the older age category only if he notifies the Chief judge or the Chief Scorer of the error before the published starting time of the first event. Can apply only to any U17 age category skiers who can ski in a higher category up to U21.

7. INTERPRETATION OF WORLD AND E&A ADDITIONAL RULES

The IWWF Region E&A Additional Rules make variations from the IWWF Waterski Rules. Unless otherwise stated in these British Waterski Additional Rules the variations apply in Great Britain.

7.1 FALLS IN JUMPING

The following guidance is given to Judges and Safety Directors. (As the suggested actions are not covered in detail by the IWWF Rules they can only be taken at British Water Ski competitions).

If a skier falls and states within 3 minutes that he wishes to continue, but the Boat Judge reports that he thinks the skier may be injured:

- The Safety Director / Chief Judge should stop the competition for long enough for the Doctor/Medical personnel to examine the skier and report (see IWWF Rules 4.01 and 4.02). If the delay causes problems for the completion of the competition the next competitor (s) should ski whilst the skier is being examined.
- If the Doctor/Medical personnel, then reports that the skier is not injured and would have been in a fit condition to ski within 3 minutes he should be allowed to take his other jump.

- If the Doctor/Medical personnel reports that the skier would not have been in a fit condition to ski within the 3 minutes, he should not be allowed to jump again (even if, by the end of the examination he is in a fit condition to jump again).

7.2 SMOKING IN BOATS - (TOW BOATS AND RESCUE BOATS)

This is not permitted at any British Waterski competitions.

7.3 ALCOHOL

Officials are reminded that alcohol can impair performance and judgement. They should be mindful of this for the duration of a competition.

7.4 OFFICIALS PUNCTUALITY

Officials shall attend any meetings called by the Chief Judge and be on site for the whole duration of the competition unless specifically excused by the Chief Judge and shall be in their positions at least 10 minutes before the start of each event. Appointed drivers shall arrive on site in adequate time before the scheduled start time of familiarisation.

SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION OF COMPETITIONS

8. BRITISH WATERSKI CALENDAR COMPETITIONS

All clubs wishing to stage British Waterski Calendar Competitions must adhere to the following rules. Clubs should attempt to avail themselves of the latest competition technology where possible.

8.1 DEFINITION

Calendar Competitions are those competitions in the UK allowing entries for skiers of more than one club and include the following.

- Regional Championships
- Other Regional Competitions
- Inter-Regional Competitions
- Inter-Club Competitions
- Open Competitions
- Cash Prize Competitions

The National Championships are subject to separate obligations that are available from BWSW on request. The Calendar Competition obligations apply to National Championships to the extent not amended by the National Championships separate obligations. Any Club wishing to offer to host a National Championship should make their offer to BWSW prior to the end of October in the calendar year preceding the year in which the National Championships will be held.

NOTE: Calendar Competitions may not be held on the weekend of the British National Open Championships, except that a Backyard Event may be held on the weekend of the National Championships.

8.2 FEES

Each Calendar Competition will be subject to a levy payable to BWSW, details of which are included in Section 3.

8.3 REGISTRATION

A Club shall register its proposed Calendar Competition (including the number of rounds, format of the event and the closing date by which entries must be received) on the IWWF Event Management System (EMS) by 31 January in the calendar year in which the Calendar Competition is to be held. The Waterski Committee shall review all the proposed Calendar Competitions entered on EMS, seek to resolve any clashes and then approve through EMS those Calendar Competitions which will form part of the UK Competition Calendar. In resolving any clashes /conflicts, priority will be given to the sites hosting the National Championships, followed by three event Rankings List competitions.

In addition, Calendar Competitions may be registered during the season (after the 31 January deadline) on EMS (including the number of rounds, format of the event and the closing date by which entries must be received), provided the following conditions are met:

- a. At least 4 weeks' notice prior to the proposed date of the Calendar Competition is given to Toutech by email (toutech@bwsf.co.uk) in order that they can arrange for all BWSW competition licence holders to be notified of the event.
- b. There is no other Calendar Competition registered on the same date as the proposed date in the UK (unless in exceptional circumstances Toutech confirm that the proposed competition may go ahead notwithstanding the clash with another Calendar Competition).

Note E&A Rule 7 is applicable if registering an E&A/World Rankings list competition.

Any payments due for site Inspections must be paid at the time of registration. E&A Homologation and Competition Levies will be invoiced after the Calendar Competition has taken place.

Any Club cancelling a Calendar Competition without good reason after 15 March in a season will be obliged to pay the minimum competition levy.

8.4 HOMOLOGATED COMPETITIONS

Clubs who wish to hold homologated competitions (to E&A standards) must notify British Water Ski and the club will need to provide the required number and level of officials specified by Confederation E&A for homologated competitions. Rules for homologated competitions are available in the IWWF World Rules and E&A Additional Rules. A fee is payable by the Club to BWSW for any competition listed on the E&A Calendar or any competition homologated to E&A standards. The costs of these fees are shown in the price list in Section 3.

Clubs are advised that it may be necessary to close the water for skiing for all or part of the day of homologation (usually the day before familiarisation) to enable homologation to be carried out.

8.5 SITE CHECKS FOR ALL COMPETITIONS

The site installations for slalom and jump must have been checked and certified by a qualified Homologator as complying with minimum Normal Homologation standard earlier in the same season. A copy of the computer printout must be sent to the Technical Working Group. Spot checks may be arranged by the Technical Working Group before, during or after the competition.

The costs for such checks are shown in the price list.

8.6 OFFICIALS

Named officials at any competition are required to be current members of British Water Ski unless they are qualified Foreign Officials. (See Rule 8.8)

The Club is responsible for finding the necessary number of officials of the level required for the homologation level of the competition. The number and level of Officials required are shown in the table below.

CHIEF JUDGE

The Club shall appoint a qualified British Water Ski Judge as Chief Judge. The Chief Judge must satisfy himself that the courses and installations for the competition meet the current rules and send in a report together with a copy of the results. Chief Judge's report forms available to download on the British Tournament Waterskiing website. It is recommended that wherever possible the Chief Judge should not act as an event Judge. Where it is necessary for the Chief Judge to act as event Judge, he/she must always be available on the shore or main tower.

Except in exceptional circumstances the Chief Judge should not operate as the boat judge.

For information on Slalom Judging Positions for Normal, Ranking List and Record Capability competitions the World Rule 8.12 should be consulted.

SCORERS STATUS

J1 Judges, J2 3 Event Judges and J3 National 3 Event Judges are considered to be S4 (National 2 Scorer) standard.

OFFICIALS – MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

If the following minimum requirements as defined in the E&A Additional Rules are not met the results of the skiers in these divisions will not be valid for the Standings List, Handicap League Results, Qualifications or seeding purposes.

	E&A Rankings List	E&A Normal Homologation
Chief Judge	Level 2 Judge (J2)	Level 2 Judge (J2) 3 or 2 event depending on events being held.
Homologation	Level 1 (H1) or Level 2 (H2) (Tricks Only) in his/her own Country	Pre-check by Level 3 (H3) Homologator BEFORE the competition within the current season
Scorer	Level 3 Scorer (S3) minimum	Level 3 Scorer
Drivers	Level 3 (D3) Minimum	Level 4 (D4) National 2
Duplication	Any duplication of duties by the Chief Judge or Scorer is limited to two functions but this should be avoided if possible.	Any duplication of duties by the Chief Judge or Scorer is limited to two functions but this should be avoided if possible.
Homologation Dossier	To E&A www.iwwf-ea.org	To E&A www.iwwf-ea.org

SLALOM

Timing	Automatic	May be by stopwatch
End Course Video	Required	Not Mandatory
Video Gates	Recommended	Recommended
Judging Towers	Both sides perfect sight	Both sides perfect sight
Speed Control	Recommended	Recommended
Back Up Timer	Not needed if Speed Control used	Not needed if Speed Control used Otherwise
Judges	Minimum for 5 Judge panel 3 level 2 and 2 level 3 Or for three Judge panel Minimum 2 level 2 and 1 level 3	Minimum for 5 Judge panel 5 level 3 Judges or if Gate Video used 3 level 3 Judges
Boat Judge	Minimum (J3) National Judge (2 or 3 Event)	Minimum(J3) National Judge (2 or 3 Event)

TRICKS

Timing	Video Timing	Semi Automatic 20s
Video	Required	Not mandatory
Judges	Minimum 3 level 2 and 2 level 3 or if immediate review available minimum 2 level 2 & 1 level 3	Minimum 5 level 3 or 3 level 3 if immediate review is available
Timer	Two level 3 Judges minimum	Appointed by Chief Judge

JUMP

Timing	Automatic	May be by stopwatch
Video Jump Measurement	Required	Any approved Jump measurement system
Distance Calculation	Computer	Computer
Program Check	Yes	Yes
Judges	Minimum 2 level 2 and 1 level 3	Minimum 3 level 3 Judges. If video jump is used the two shore Judges may act as video Judges provided, they can see the full jump course
Video Judges	Minimum 1 level 2 and 1 level 3	Not required
Backup Timer	None needed with Speed Control	None needed with Speed control
Speed Control	Recommended	Recommended

8.7 HOMOLOGATION STANDARDS

The following chart shows the standards of homologation from World to British level and what skier performances may be used for.

ISSUING AUTHORITY	HOMOLOGATION LEVEL	SKIER PERFORMANCE For QUALIFICATION							
		World / E&A Record	IWWF Ranking List	E&A Ranking List	Qualification For World Events	Qualification For E&A Events	British Record	British Standings List	British Handicap League
IWWF / E&A	Record	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
IWWF / E&A	Rankings List	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
E&A	Normal	No	No	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	No	Yes	Yes
BRITAIN	Backyard Event**	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

* Subject to a maximum standard. See E&A Additional Rules

** British Backyard Events are only valid if the courses on that site have been surveyed in that season, before the event. This “site check” is NOT a full homologation as required by E&A or IWWF. Please see Backyard Events on Page 25

When a new proposed British Record exceeds the IWWF or E&A record the performance will only be accepted as a new British record if it is agreed by E&A or the IWWF as a new World or E&A record, or reduced as stated in Rule 2.

8.8 FOREIGN OFFICIALS

Qualified foreign officials may be used in British Calendar Competitions providing they are recognised as levels 1, 2 or 3 as defined in the World Rulebook. Please note that foreign officials are not covered under the BWSW insurance, therefore it is the sites/officials responsibility to ensure they take out the relevant insurance cover.

8.9 LIMITATIONS

It is not permitted for a Driver or a Judge to officiate in any event of a division or category in which they are competing.

8.10 SAFETY OFFICER, SAFEGUARDING OFFICER AND OTHER OFFICIALS

SAFETY OFFICER

A suitably experienced Safety Officer shall be appointed by the Club to undertake the duties in the Rule book.

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

The Club's welfare officer or, if they are not available, another person with a current DBS certificate and safeguarding qualification nominated by the Club's welfare officer shall be appointed by the Club as the safeguarding officer for the competition (**Safeguarding Officer**). Where the Club's welfare officer nominates a person other than themselves to act as the Safeguarding Officer, they shall notify by email the name of the nominated person to the BWSW Safeguarding Lead.

The name of the Safeguarding Officer shall be given to the Chief Judge prior to the start of the competition and their name and contact details shall be made available with the competition details on IWWF Event Management System (EMS) and at the officials' Jury tower. The Safeguarding Officer shall remain on site during the competition so that any safeguarding concerns can be raised with them.

The Safeguarding Officer shall ensure that the following key elements (including local contact details, as applicable) are part of the safeguarding procedures:

- Responding to allegations against staff, volunteers or competitors (whether during the competition or during down time or overnight if the competition extends over more than one day)
- When and how to involve the LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer)
- Clear guidance about reporting to police or children's social care
- Reporting to BWSW Safeguarding Lead any reportable incident
- Information to support whistle-blowers
- Arrangements are in place so that any competitor who does not wish to be photographed can opt out.

OTHER OFFICIALS

Experienced secondary staff and Jetty Marshal must be provided by the Club.

It is highly recommended that an experienced commentator is appointed.

8.11 FIRST AID

At all British Water Ski calendar competitions there must be qualified first aid personnel as follows:

Either a minimum of TWO personnel trained to the level of I. H. C. D. at Ambulance Aid One or Ambulance Aid Two or Emergency Medical Technician, A "Three" Day attendance Course" First Aid at Work certificate holders' qualification or its recognised equivalent.

OR

ONE person with a minimum qualification as State Registered Nurse, or Accident and Emergency Nurse, or Paramedic, or Doctor, or its recognised equivalent.

ALL FIRST AID PERSONNEL MUST REMAIN ON THE COMPETITION SITE DURING THE WHOLE OF THE COMPETITION AND BE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE.

In addition:

Either an ambulance or suitable vehicle with the necessary first aid equipment must be present OR, a room or designated area must be set aside where the above First Aid personnel and equipment can be based, this room must

be in close proximity to the event, well lit, and have easy stretcher / patient access. The location and telephone number of the nearest hospital must be readily available.

The attending medical personnel must complete and sign the "First Aid Report" form stating their qualifications. This form is to be handed to the Chief Judge at the event.

Rescue equipment

The site must be equipped with a floating stretcher capable of being used to bring injured skiers ashore for medical treatment, all on water rescue personnel should be aware of the British Water Ski rescue guide lines available from the Chief Judge, British Water Ski or from the BWSW Website: www.britishwaterski.org.uk

If there is no land telephone line, then a mobile telephone must be ready to hand to use in an emergency.

Responsibility

The medical personnel shall complete and sign a form to state their qualifications and that the required equipment is in place. This form shall be handed to the Chief Judge prior to the start of competition. If a competitor is seen by medical staff/or attend hospital and wishes to continue skiing, then they must provide evidence from the medical staff to confirm they are fit to ski again.

8.12 RE-IMBURSEMENT OF OFFICIALS EXPENSES

This rule applies to appointed qualified British Water Ski Officials and any qualified Officials co-opted to the panel on the day(s).

ACCOMMODATION

On site lunches and a minimum of bed and breakfast accommodation for the necessary number of nights shall be provided for qualified British Water Ski officials appointed to the competition. However, if any official wishes to make his own accommodation arrangements a minimum contribution of £30.00 per night cash shall be paid in lieu. If two or more officials wish to make their own shared accommodation arrangement a minimum contribution of £25.00 per night shall be given for the first official and £15.00 per night for each subsequent official.

TRAVEL EXPENSES

The club shall reimburse appointed British Water Ski officials with travelling expenses based on the round-trip mileage. Basis per mile is one quarter of current unleaded litre price per vehicle. The maximum travel reimbursement payable to any official is £120. In the case where two or more officials share cars to travel to an event, only one mileage allowance will be paid.

COMPETITION HELPERS

Other helpers such as, Video Operators, Jetty Marshals, etc. shall be offered lunch and/or refreshments appropriate to the time of duty they serve. This will be monitored by the Chief Judge.

8.13 MINIMUM OBLIGATIONS OF CLUBS REGISTERING AND ORGANISING CALENDAR COMPETITIONS

. In the case of British Inter Club series see separate rule following).

- a The Club shall be a fully paid-up member club of BWSW registering all its members to BWSW and the affiliation fee for the current year shall have been paid. The Club may not register or hold a Calendar Competition if it is in debt to BWSW.
- b The Club shall conduct the competition in accordance with the regulations contained in these Waterski Additional Rules.
- c The Club shall be solely responsible for all matters relating to health and safety of the site and the safe operation of the competition (**Health & Safety Obligations**). The Club accepts that by approving the Calendar Competition in EMS, BWSW is not in any way responsible for and shall have no liability in respect of the Health & Safety Obligations which are the Club's sole responsibility. As part of discharging its Health & Safety Obligations, appropriate and adequate risk assessments and method statements shall be carried out by the Club using a competent person including as to the provision of appropriate medical/first aid for all attendees on site at the competition. **The Health & Safety Obligations extend to the Club having in place an adequate evacuation plan should there be an incident which necessitates the site to be evacuated.**
- d The Club should ensure that it has sufficient members to help with the organisation, technical setup, and adequate secretarial facilities.
- e The Club shall carry appropriate insurance (having consulted with their own advisers and brokers) to cover all eventualities associated with running a competition (including, without limitation, third party claims and claims for damage to persons or property whether on or off the water) .

- f A single or multi event competition must have at least 8 competitors in one of the events and at least 4 competitors in each of the other events. Note: E&A Rule 18 is applicable for E&A/World rankings List competitions.
- g It is mandatory for a computer to be used to measure the jump set up and for calculating the jump distances for an event. Only approved Jump measurement programmes may be used. The Chief Judge must see the grid set up with the measurement buoys and check buoys in place. And give the xy co-ordinates for the 23m and 46m (approx.) buoys on the CJ report form.
- h Every competitor must have a current BWSW Competition Licence and be a current member of BWSW. For Rankings List events competitors must also have a current IWWF Ranking List Licence. Should an entrant not be found on the BWSW membership database by the close of business on the day before the competition, the Club/ Chief Judge shall not allow the entrant to ski in the competition.
- i For Trick events the Club shall provide 2 video cameras and an adequate supply of memory cards. In the case of Homologated Competitions the cards become the property of the Technical Working Group and must be collected by the Chief Judge and retained in case they are requested by the WC. They may only be used for technical purposes approved by the WC.
- j Clubs shall provide all other equipment normally required for a competition including an adequate number of suitable radios.
- k It is recommended that automatic timing be used for Slalom and Jump.
- l It is recommended that speed control be used for all events where possible. Under these conditions there must be adequate time allowed before the competition starts for the driver to set up the speed control parameters to the Chief Judge / Driver satisfaction.
- m It is recommended that video cameras be used to judge the entry gates in slalom where possible.
- n It is recommended that video trick timing be used to judge the start and end of the pass in Tricks where possible.

8.14 RESULTS

SLALOM RESULTS

The slalom results must show the start speed of the competition and/or division and the number of buoys scored at speed and rope length, together with the total number of buoys scored.

CHIEF JUDGES REPORTS

Results from competitions will not be accepted for records until such time as the Chief Judge's report is completed and submitted to the Technical Working Group. This must include the First Aid report where a reportable incident has occurred.

These reports must be filed within two weeks of the end of the competition.

9. BRITISH SKI LEAGUE

THE SKI LEAGUE IS SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

10. NOVICE DIVISION RULES – ALL NOVICE SKIERS MUST BE A BWSW MEMBER.

Novice Skiers do not need a licence to compete in Novice, however if they wish to compete having run the course at 49kph they will be required to obtain a competition licence.

- a) Skiers may choose any speed for any pass. Having started at one speed a skier may change his speed to a slower or faster speed for each pass or continue at the original speed on each pass. (The only exception to this in the case of Rule 12 below.)
- b) The number of points scored on each pass will be added together for the skier's final score.
- c) Skiers will not shorten in Novice Slalom. As a rule, a skier who can run the course at 49kph is NOT considered to be a NOVICE.
- d) Skiers may use one or two skis.
- e) All skiers shall be offered a maximum of four passes including skiers who fall on any pass.
- f) A skier's run will end at the completion of 4 passes or after 2nd fall.
- g) The number of buoys correctly passed will score one point each.
- h) Half buoy will be scored as per IWWF Tournament Rules. A quarter buoy is not scored.

- i) Skiers may omit Buoys in each pass (see 11 below).
- j) The entry gates and exit gates score an additional point and are optional.
- k) A point will be scored if a skier passes around a turn buoy and crosses the line of the boat lane buoys at the next buoy. For two consecutive buoys on the same side to be scored a skier must ski around both boat lane buoys of the intermediate buoy. For Example, at Buoy 5 a skier must ski either around the boat lane buoys of buoy 6, or around buoy 6, to gain a full point at Buoy 5. Skiing directly from buoy 5 to the exit gates would only score a half a buoy at buoy 5
- l) Any skier who completes a pass including the entry and exit gates will be required to take next pass at the next highest speed.

11. TURN & BURN

The first round(s) of a multi round slalom event are completed normally by the skier.

At the end of the skier's penultimate round the Skier is picked up by the boat and taken to the start dock. At this point the skier will can choose either

1. To wait his turn and ski the final round normally.

OR

2. To ski immediately at either the speed, or line length, they have just missed OR at the Speed or line length of their last completed pass. This will then be counted as his final Round. Whatever speed or rope length is chosen by the skier it will be taken in the direction of the normal first pass from the starting dock.

If, in "Turn & Burn", the skier misses this first pass, their score reverts to the start speed of the competition and his final round is finished. Otherwise, the skier scores as normal. All the remaining skiers who do not take the choice to "Turn & Burn" will ski in the normal final round, once the penultimate round and "Turn & Burn" have finished

"Turn and Burn" can only be used ONCE in a competition but could be used as the final round of two, three or four round slalom competitions. All scores in "Turn & Burn" will count for the British Handicap League and Standing List.

Organisers have the option to offer Turn & Burn in a competition or not to offer it. Where offered in competitions it is at the option of the skier as above.

Organisers are NOT permitted to make Turn & Burn mandatory for any slalom event.

Turn and Burn" may NOT be used in E & A or IWWF Rankings List events.

12. BACKYARD RECREATIONAL AND FUN SLALOM COMPETITIONS

Guidance to Clubs on running Fun Events for all standards of skier but particularly for newcomers and novices. **Please note this is guidance only.**

It is hoped that these events will also provide a bonus at Clubs by providing an accurate Slalom Course for their members to train on.

COMPETITION FORMAT

Informal, Fun, turn up and ski. First on site can be the first to ski. Skiers arriving after the start of the second round should be allowed to ski in that round and all subsequent rounds

- No Licence required.
- Individual and/or Team.
- BWSW Members only (For insurance reasons)
- Rounds (at Least). No limit on the number of Rounds, this will depend on time available and the number of skiers competing. All Skiers should have the opportunity to ski in each round.
- If a skier fails to run first pass, he receives a second pass from the opposite end of the lake.
- Clubs are encouraged to use the "Novice Division Rules" where appropriate for Novice Skiers.

OFFICIALS

- One BWSW Judge only (Any Category), who will be both Boat and Chief Judge.
- Calculator (Competent Club Official or BWSW)
- Boat Driver (Recommended BWSW or Experienced Club Diver)
- Jetty Marshall
- Homologator (Prior to the event, expenses paid by TC).

SAFETY

- First Aid cover should be provided by qualified Club Members.

EQUIPMENT

- Any Competition Boat fitted with Zero Off or Perfect Pass (Second boat on standby if possible)
- Three Radios
- 6 buoy or 4 buoy Slalom Course

RECOMMENDED TEAM SCORING.

Includes skiers of all standards. Maximum 4 skiers per Team. Each skier starts at 4 passes back from their PB score e.g. a PB of 4@55kph will start at 46kph. A skier with a score of 24 will start at a higher speed in the next round. All 4 scores are added together to form the Team Score.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The emphasis of the event should be on fun and having a good day out. Perhaps enjoying another Club and Lake. It is expected that these Guidance Notes will be followed in principal but “nothing is cast in stone”. Clubs should try to give the skiers the best and equal conditions possible. Where Clubs wish, they may add their own rules provided everything is equal and fair for all skiers.

NOTE

The Course Homologation standard expected will be IWSF Normal Homologation, this is double the tolerances to those shown in the IWSF Rule Book. The Homologator will check the course and tell the club which buoy or buoys (if any) need to be corrected. He/she is not responsible for altering the course which must be carried out by Club officials. The course will then be checked again until the required standard is met.

For the purpose of these events only, the use of pre-gates is optional and may be omitted but their use is recommended.

SECTION 4 - GENERAL INFORMATION

13. BRITISH WATERSKI COMPETITORS LICENCES

Skiers wishing to enter any British Water Ski Calendar Competition must have a current British Water Ski competition licence.

In addition, skiers must have a IWWF Licence (Available through EMS) for Rankings List events.

Licences are not required for entry to competitions open only to members of the organising club or other non-calendar competitions.

13.1 ONE OFF LICENCES

The first exception to the above rule is when a member of the organising club wishes to enter a calendar competition at his/her own club. The skier must provide proof of membership of the club and of BWSW and pay a one-off licence fee (shown in price list) to the Chief Judge or Scorer for forwarding to BWSW. **Please note that for any Ranking List competitions the skier must have an IWWF Licence. This can be acquired for a single competition via EMS.**

The second exception to the above rule is when a skier is entering his/her official regional championships. The skier must provide proof of membership of BWSW and pay a one-off licence fee (shown in price list) to the Chief Judge or Scorer for forwarding to British Water Ski.

The third exception to the above rule is when a skier wishes to enter a calendar competition not at his/her own club. The skier must provide proof of membership of British Water Ski and pay a one-off licence fee (shown in price list) to the Chief Judge or Scorer for forwarding to British Water Ski.

The skier's results from the competition will be included in the British Standings List, and the British Handicap League. The licence will not be valid for any further competitions. The Chief Judge/Scorer should advise if any skiers have one-off licences when submitting the results.

13.2 LICENCE PURCHASE AND RENEWALS

Before the Season starts, existing licence holders will be sent a renewal invitation and can renew their licence through the BWSW Online Store or by calling the BWSW Office on 01932 579935.

New Licence holders can obtain a Licence in the same way.

A licence is not valid until the BWSW Membership has been renewed for the current season.

13.3 USE OF THE COMPETITORS LICENCE

Physical Licences are no longer issued as a skier's performances are recorded in their EMS profile and on the IWWF results.

13.4 PENALTIES

No skier may enter a calendar competition without a valid licence, except as in Rule 13.1 above.

No skier will be permitted to ski in any British Water Ski event if it can't be proven that they are current members of BWSW.

Licence holders can be identified on the IWWF Event Management System (EMS) where a field on the athlete's profile will indicate their current status. This enables competition organisers and judges to check and see whose licences are valid.

Should a skier arrive at a competition without being registered with a British and IWWF licence they will not be allowed to participate in the event.

Foreign skiers are not permitted to ski in any age category of British National Championships or Regional events unless they can prove residency in the UK for a period of at least **Two** years.

In the case of Homologated Competitions, other than the above, foreign skiers are only permitted to ski if the competition is on the IWWF Confederation E&A International Calendar or has been notified as a Non-Calendar International.

Foreign skiers are welcome to compete in other British Water Ski Calendar Competitions providing:

- They prove membership of their home country IWWF Affiliated Federation or join BWSW. Foreign skiers' resident in Britain or working here for the season are expected to join BWSW.

- They prove they have a competitor's licence from their home country Federation or purchase a BWSW competitors' licence. Foreign skiers' resident in Britain or working here for the season are expected to hold a BWSW licence.
- **Skiers are required to hold a valid IWWF Licence for Ranking List events**
- They prove they have the permission of their Federation to compete.

Clubs are advised to check that their insurance does not become null and void if BWSW membership is not held by the skier. Foreign skiers are advised that Personal Accident Insurance cover is not in effect if they are not members of BWSW.

However please note the IWWF Rules regarding Titled events which can be found on the E&A Waterski Council website www.iwwfeatc.com

14. BRITISH STANDINGS LIST – DISCONTINUED: REFER TO EUROPEAN AND WORLD RANKING LISTS

15. BRITISH HANDICAP LEAGUE **(SUSPENDED AS WE ARE SEEKING AN ADMINISTRATOR)**

15.1 ANNUAL HANDICAP

The Annual handicap is used to calculate the annual handicap results. It is calculated at the beginning of the season and is based on the average of the best 4 scores from the previous year. If a skier does not have 4 scores from the previous year, then the scores from the current year will be used, and the skier will not get a handicap until they have 4 scores. If the new annual handicap is calculated to be lower than the previous year's handicap, the handicap for the current year will only be a maximum of 10% lower. This is to prevent the handicap of a skier that had a bad year (i.e. injury) from having an artificially low annual handicap.

The handicap results are based on the difference between an average of the best 2 scores from the current year and the annual handicap score.

International Events of any kind are not valid for the Handicap.

If an organiser is combining a British event with an International event in some manner, the skiers competing in the international part of the competition may not have their scores submitted to the handicap.

15.2 ROLLING HANDICAP

The Rolling Handicap is used for producing the handicap results at each individual competition. It is calculated the same way as the annual handicap, using the best 4 scores from the previous year. During the year, any score that is greater than the 4 best scores from the previous year, is then used to recalculate the rolling handicap. This means that as a skier improves during the year, the rolling handicap will go up.

The results at a competition are based on the difference between the score from the competition and the rolling handicap.

15.3 HANDICAP RESULTS

The following table shows the scores that will be taken for The British Handicap system depending on the number of events or rounds held:

2 or 3 Event Competitions	The 2 best scores for a skier for the event may be used towards the Handicap calculations (1 score for single round events).
Tricks Only Competitions	The 2 best scores for a skier for the event may be used towards the Handicap calculations (1 score for single round events).
Jump Only Competitions	The 2 best scores for a skier for the event may be used towards the Handicap calculations (1 score for single round events).

Slalom Only Competitions	The 2 best scores for a skier for the event may be used towards the Handicap calculations (1 score for single round events).
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[Skiers are responsible for checking their scores are shown correctly on the results.](#)

Clubs wishing to hold British Handicap qualifying competitions must apply for them as Calendar competitions. Entry forms must be made available to all applicants. Entries must be accepted in the order received, except that a maximum of 20% of the total may be reserved for members of the organising club until the official closing date. After the closing date, late entries may be accepted from any source. No British competitions may be held after the 3rd weekend in October.

Entry forms must specify the events included, the format of the competition and the number of rounds.

SECTION 5 - NATIONAL EVENTS

16. RULES APPLYING TO ALL NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

16.1 OBLIGATIONS

The obligations for clubs wishing to bid for a National Championships are available from British Water Ski HQ. These include the technical standards required by British Water Ski/IWWF and payment of the levy as appropriate. (see price list in Section 3).

Any Club wishing to offer to host a National Championship should make their offer to British Water Ski prior to the end of October in the calendar year preceding the year in which the National Championships will be held.

16.2 HOMOLOGATION STANDARDS

In order to be homologated to E&A Standings List and Record Capability there are specific requirements shown in the E&A Additional Rules and these must be fully met.

16.3 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

All competitors must be of British nationality or prove residency of 2 years.

All competitors must be current members of BWSW.

All competitors must be in possession of a current British Water Ski Competitors Licence.

All competitors must show proof that they meet the minimum standards set out below. Proof of qualifying standards may be taken from British or International Event results.

Competitors may enter individual events for which they qualify. Competitors who qualify for two events may enter the third.

16.4 NUMBERS IN FINALS

In all National championships, except where other specific rules are quoted, where a final round is included the number going through to the final of an event is based on the number of skiers on the start list at Midday the day before the Competition

<u>No. of skiers starting in the Preliminary round within an age category</u>	<u>No. in Finals</u>
1 - 5	All
6 - 10	First 5
11 - 12	First 6
13 - 15	First 8
16 - 19	First 10
20 or more	First 12

To qualify for the Final Round a skier must ski and score more than zero in the Preliminary Round.

Note see exception for Under 10, Under 12s under British Youth Championships and for Seniors under British Senior Championships

Any skier qualifying for the finals and subsequently unable to take part will not be replaced by the next placed skier.

16.5 NUMBER OF JUMPS

There will be three jumps in each round of all National competitions.

16.6 FAMILIARISATION

Official familiarisation will not be given at any National Championship. However, for the Youth Championship/Trials, the organising club is encouraged to allow competitors to ski at club rates in the week prior to the competition.

In all cases the type of boat to be used must be notified in the entry information.

16.7 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

The proposed schedule of events will be agreed between the Organisers and the Chief Judge but must be approved by the Technical Working Group before publication.

16.8 OVERALL SCORING

At National Championships overall points will be awarded ONLY to those skiers entered in all three events. Skiers entered in one or two events only will be treated as "specialist skiers" and will not be awarded overall points. The 1000 point top score from an event will be awarded to the top placed "overall" skier.

17. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING STANDARDS / START SPEEDS

It is the intention to run all National Championships as Ranking List events therefore all skiers must hold a valid IWWF Licence as well as a British Waterski Competitors Licence.

17.1 British National (Open) Championships

Qualifying standards	Men	Women
Slalom	6 buoys @ 58kph/14.25m	3 buoys @ 55 kph
Tricks	2000 points	1500 points
Jump	37.5metres	20 metres
Slalom Start speeds Preliminary Round.	58 kph	46 kph
Slalom Start speed Final Round	58 kph / 16 m	55 kph / 18.25 m

The results from the Preliminary and Final rounds will count for the Handicap League.

17.2 BRITISH YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

To include the following 5 categories:

Under 10	Under 12	Under 14	Under 17	Under 21
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NOTE An Under 10 may opt to enter as an Under 12/14 if qualified.

For under 12 skiers who enter the jump event, parents must sign a disclaimer form.

An Under 10 skier may choose whether to compete in the Under 10/12 or 14 Category but must be in the same age category for all events entered.

All skiers who start in the Preliminary Round may ski in the Final if they qualify under Rule 16.4 above. With the exception for Under 10/12's, as below.

UNDER 10 COMPETITION

Events: Slalom, Tricks and overall (based on the two events).

This competition will be divided into a Girls category and a Boys category.

The only qualification required is that the skier must have recorded a score in their licence in the events entered. Slalom start speed 28 kph. All skiers who skied in the preliminaries will be automatically through to the final round. **Medal placement will be based on the best score from either round.**

UNDER 12 COMPETITION

Events: Slalom, Tricks, Jump & overall (Overall will be based on Slalom and Tricks only).

There is NO requirement for a skier to compete in Jump to qualify for the overall. Jump is a stand-alone event for U12 skiers and requires parents to sign a disclaimer form as above.

This competition will be divided into a Girls category and a Boys category.

The only qualification required is that the skier must have recorded a score in their licence in the event(s) entered. Slalom start speed 34 kph. All skiers who skied in the preliminaries will be automatically through to the final round. **Medal placement will be based on the best score from either round.**

UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Qualifying standards	Boys	Girls
Slalom	6 buoys @ 49/18.25m	6 buoys @ 43/18.25m
Tricks	900 points	450 points
Jump	Recorded Score	Recorded Score
Slalom start speeds	43 kph	37 kph

UNDER 17 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Qualifying standards	Boys	Girls
Slalom	6 buoys @ 55/18.25m	6 buoys @ 46/18.25m
Tricks	1500 points	750 points
Jump	28 metres	16 metres
Slalom start speeds - first round	49 kph	40 kph

UNDER 21 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Qualifying standards	Men	Ladies
Slalom	3 buoys @ 58/14.25m	6 buoys @ 52/18.25m

Tricks	2000 points	1250 points
Jump	35 metres	19 metres
Slalom start speeds - first round	55 kph	46 kph

Maximum entry for combined age categories average 60 per event.

NOTE

These British Youth Championship rules are also used for the Youth Trials Competition when held, except that the Youth Trials is a 2 Round Competition, it does not have a preliminary and final.

For the Youth Trials Competition, the minimum start speed is waived in all categories as follows. A skier may nominate a speed and the Driver and Boat Judge will monitor this speed manually until the minimum speed control speed of 28 kph is reached.

Scores under the official start speed shall, however, appear on the results sheet, but will not be carried forward for any other purpose.

For the Youth Nationals and Youth Trials ONLY there will be no competitions directly prior to the event, in order that familiarisation is available for all the competitors. Organisers are encouraged to allocate at least one day immediately prior to both these competitions for competitors familiarisation.

17.3 BRITISH NATIONAL 35+ CHAMPIONSHIPS

There are no qualifying standards set for any 35+ Age Category. **However, all competitors must have a score registered at a British Calendar or International competition for each event entered in the current or last season.**

Slalom start speeds

35+ Men	49kph – shortening at 55kph
45+ Men	46kph – shortening at 55kph
55+ Men	43kph – shortening at 55kph
65+ Men	43kph – shortening at 52kph and option to set down after each pass
70+ Men	43kph – shortening at 52kph and option to set down after each pass
75+ Men	40kph – shortening at 49kph and option to set down after each pass
80+ Men	40kph – shortening at 49kph and option to set down after each pass
85+ Men	37kph – shortening at 46kph and option to set down after each pass
35+ Ladies	43kph – shortening at 55kph
45+ Ladies	43kph – shortening at 52kph
55+ Ladies	40kph – shortening at 52kph
65+ Ladies	40kph – shortening at 49kph and option to set down after each pass
70+ Ladies	40kph – shortening at 49kph and option to set down after each pass
75+ Ladies	37kph – shortening at 46kph and option to set down after each pass
80+ Ladies	37kph – shortening at 46kph and option to set down after each pass
85+ Ladies	34kph – shortening at 46kph and option to set down after each pass

Maximum entry for combined age categories is 60 skiers average per event, with further limitation (if necessary) of maximum 20 in any age/sex category.

The results from the Preliminary round will count for the Handicap League.

Numbers in Finals - all Senior categories

All 35+ skiers who start in the Preliminary Round may ski in the "A" Final if they qualify under Rule 16.4 above. The remainder may ski in a "B" Final if it is held.

However, only those skiers who should have been in the Final Round (according to Rule 16.4 above) will be eligible for the top "x" placings -this will be known as the "A" Final.

The "A" Final will be held unless it is impossible to do so.

The "B" Final will only be held if there is enough time to complete all events. The Chief Judge after

consultation with the other officials and the organisers will decide as early as possible if the "B" final will be held. A notice will be posted on the Notice board, preferably on the day before the Preliminary Round and no later than Noon of the day of the Preliminary Round, stating if a "B" Final will or will not be held. The scores performed in the "B" Final Round by the "extra" skiers will be used for the Standings List and the handicap league tables but cannot influence the placement of the skier in the Final of any event.

17.4 BRITISH ALL REGIONS COMPETITION

This competition will only be held bi-annually in the even numbered years, 2020, 2022, etc. Rules for this event, if held are available from the Waterski Technical Working Group (Toutech)

17.5 AGE CATEGORY SLALOM EVENTS

The recommended starting speeds for age category competitions are 37kph for ladies/girls and 40 kph for men/boys in all age categories.

18. PROCEDURE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES TO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- a) Entries will be made on the IWWF Event Management System (EMS).
- b) The published regulations for the competitions will include the following:
 - c) The closing date for entries will be set at 14 days prior to the first day of competition. (note that acceptance of entries will not be confirmed before that date).
 - d) A requirement for entry must show the skiers best performances in each event as recorded.
 - e) The entry will show details of the various separate categories in which skiers wish to compete. (Note that entries will be accepted with a view to achieving a reasonable balance of numbers between categories).
 - f) On the published closing date for entries (not before):
 - a. If too many entries have been received either in total or in any category, consideration will be given to the balance between individual event performances and overall performances and entries with the lowest recorded performances maybe refused, without reference to the order in which the entries were received. A reserve list will be compiled and notified.
 - b. If too few entries have been received at the closing date, either in total or in any category, consideration will be given to accept further entries strictly in the order received provided the skier shows proof of performances at the competition regulation ramp height and speeds, etc.
 - g) Any skier whose entry has been accepted and who subsequently pulls out from attending will not be entitled to a refund of the entry fee.
 - h) Skiers will be notified as quickly as practical after the closing date for entry, whether or not their entry for an event has been accepted.

SECTION 6 - OFFICIALS QUALIFICATIONS

These rules are an addition to those published by the IWWF Confederation E&A. For regulations for other categories of Judges and Officials see International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation Confederation E&A Additional Rules. It is the duty of all officials to train and encourage new officials to the sport.

ALL OFFICIALS MUST BE CURRENT MEMBERS OF BRITISH WATER SKI.

ALL QUALIFICATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO RENEWAL AND WILL LAPSE IF THERE IS NO ACTIVITY OVER THREE SEASONS.

In addition, for qualifications to remain valid all officials are required to attend the British National Officials seminar at least once every three years.

In order to qualify as “attended” an official must attend the majority of sessions during the Seminar.

19. RULES FOR BOAT DRIVERS

There shall be three categories of British Competition Boat Driver. All applicants must be aged over 18 years. Applications upgrade for Assessments should be made to toutech@bwsf.co.uk or via the BWSW office.

19.1 BRITISH WATERSKI DRIVER (D5)

Anyone wishing to become a qualified Competition Driver must first register with BWSW as a British Waterski (BWS) Driver. BWS Driver must have achieved the SBDA and SBD3 qualifications and before applying for progression to National 2 (D4) must have some driving experience at Normal Homologation Events, Club Events, Backyard Events, and Non-Calendar Ladder Events. All experience should be recorded in a Drivers Logbook.

19.2 NATIONAL 2 DRIVER (2 AND 3 EVENT) (D4)

All applicants must be a current member of BWSW and hold a British Waterski Drivers rating. Applicants must be able to show experience of competition driving from normal homologation events, non-calendar events such as Club Competitions, or Backyard events.

This experience should be recorded in a Drivers Experience Logbook. If possible, end course video recordings should be obtained. The qualification can be for Slalom and Tricks or all three events if evidence of experience can be provided. The Candidate will also take a short written test that will contain questions on the IWWF Rules, the BWS Additional Rules and on the Zero Off Speed Control System. Application should be made to Toutech.

Approval of the application will be made by the Toutech Group based on their knowledge of the applicant and the evidence of experience and skills provided. The Applicant may be required to drive at a Drivers Assessment Day at which an evaluation will be made.

A National 2 Driver will be qualified to drive at all Normal Homologation Competitions and U14, U12, U10, 45+, 55+ and 65+ age categories for slalom and up to 51kph with 1.5m jumpers and all categories for tricks at Ranking List events.

19.3 NATIONAL 1 DRIVER (2 AND 3 EVENT) (D3)

All applicants must be a current member of BWSW and already hold a National 2 qualification.

Prior to applying for this qualification applicants must be able to show recent experience of competition driving from both Normal Homologation and Ranking List events. This experience should be recorded in a Drivers Experience Logbook. If possible, end course video recordings should be obtained.

The qualification can be for Slalom and Tricks or all three events if evidence of experience can be provided.

The Candidate will also take a short written test that will contain questions on the IWWF Rules, the BWS Additional Rules and on the Zero Off Speed Control System.

Application should be made to Toutech. The Applicant will be required to drive at an agreed event or Drivers Assessment Day at which an evaluation will be made. Approval of the application will then be made by the Toutech Group based on their knowledge of the applicant and the evidence of experience and skills provided.

A National 1 Driver will be qualified to drive at all Normal Homologation and Ranking List events.

Note: Any N2 or N1 Driver must drive satisfactorily in at least one Calendar Competition each year in order to retain their qualification.

Fast Track to D3 (National Driver) Qualification

Drivers with extensive experience of driving 3 events and towing elite skiers can be considered for Fast Tracking to D3 (National Driver).

Requirements

If the driving history is considered sufficient by Toutech the Driver will be required to take the Drivers Theory Exam.

If this is taken successfully the Driver will be assigned D3 (Provisional Status).

To be ratified as a D3 the Driver will be assessed at two 3 event competitions at two different locations at least.

The Driver will be allowed to officiate at an event as entitled by a D3 Driver until the end of the next calendar year after being assigned the qualification (a Driver being granted the qualification during 2024 will have until 31 December 2025), or the qualification will be removed if the Driver has not achieved a successful assessment.

The Drivers Logbook should be used to document past experience and the Chief Drivers and Chief Judges assessment of the two competitions. The Logbook should be submitted to Toutech for a final review.

20. RULES FOR JUDGES

20.1 BWSW JUDGE (3 OR 2 EVENT) (J4 OR J4*)

A BWSW Judge is a judge, who has taken and passed the appropriate Theoretical and Practical Examinations to become a National Judge but has not yet gained the necessary documented experience to be fully qualified.

Functions

BWSW Judges are not qualified to judge at any competition, they may function at an event only in addition to the required number of officials with the intent that they perform a judging function under supervision of a qualified judge in order to gain the practical evidence needed to become qualified as a National Judge.

20.2 NATIONAL JUDGES (3 OR 2 EVENT) (J3 OR J3*)

Responsibility

National Judges are designated by, and on the responsibility of, BWSW according to standards set by the E&A Confederation. They must be members of BWSW and remain so in order to retain their qualification.

All candidates for National Judge must be aged 16 years or over.

Application forms must be submitted to the BWSW Technical Working Group for approval.

Approval of application will be considered by the BWSW Technical Working Group based on their knowledge of the applicant and reports of Chief Judge(s) from Calendar competitions judged.

Functions

National Judges are qualified to judge at Normal Homologation and Rankings List Competitions.

Examinations

The exam consists of three parts, one theoretical, one practical (for tricks) and one experience.

Theoretical Examination

The candidate will sit a theoretical exam to become a BWSW Judge. The paper will contain questions on the IWWF event rules and BWSW Additional Rules. Applicants wishing to qualify as National 3 Event judges will need to answer the questions in the Tricks section as well as the other sections.

Practical Examination – for qualification as a BWSW 3 Event Judge

The practical examination for Slalom, Jump and Tricks can be taken at a single live event, overseen and assessed by a member of TouTech and agreed in advance.

The candidate will be required to show complete understanding of the slalom and jump scoring rules during the competition at which the exam is taken.

The Tricks reading and judging examination can take place during a single competition or by a video exam under the supervision of an adjudicator appointed by Toutech

Renewal

The conditions of renewal of nominations as National Judges are the responsibility of BWSW. A National Judge who fails to function to the satisfaction of the Technical Working Group will cease to be a judge.

Practical Experience

After the passing of the exam(s), it is necessary for Judges to have acted as a Judge under supervision at, at least, 2 competitions. Documented evidence from the Chief Judge on a "Judge Experience Log" (downloadable from the BWSW Web Site), should be submitted to the BWSW Technical Working Group before becoming fully qualified. Prior to this, the qualification will be as a BWSW Judge. Evidence needed is:

Slalom:

- practical experience and understanding of Tower judging, including video gates
- practical experience (where possible) and understanding of slalom boat judging

Jump

- practical experience and understanding of jump distance measurement
- practical experience (where possible) and understanding of jump boat judging

Tricks

- practical experience and understanding of trick writing

If a National Judge fails to operate as a judge for 2 years, they will be retained as a BWSW Judge and will need to obtain the necessary practical experience again to re-gain the qualification.

20.3 NATIONAL JUNIOR JUDGES (J3 JUNIOR) (3 EVENT)

The qualification of National Junior Judge has been added to the List of “Officials Qualifications” to provide opportunities for all young people but particularly young skiers to become qualified and gain experience as Judges. Examination standards are the same as those for British Water Ski and Wakeboard National Judge (J3), only the functions vary, therefore it will be possible to upgrade a qualified Junior Judge to National Judge on their sixteenth birthday. The BWSW Technical Working Group are keen to encourage young officials and ask all Chief Judges to encourage potential officials, and make use of, interest and young Officials wherever possible where the Rules allow.

Responsibility

- National Junior Judges are designated by, and on the responsibility of, British Water Ski and Wakeboard according to standards set by the EAME Confederation. They must be members of BWSW and remain so in order to retain their qualification.
- All candidates for National Junior Judge must be aged 14 years or over.
- An application must be submitted to British Water Ski Technical Working Group for approval.
- Approval of the application will be considered by the British Water Ski and Wakeboard Technical Working Group based on their knowledge of the applicant and reports of Chief Judge(s) from Calendar competitions.

Functions

- A Junior Judge may function as a Judge at Calendar Competitions in all events.
- A Junior Judge may only operate in addition to the number of Judges required under Rule 8.8. Except where the Junior Judge is ONE of a panel of five Judges for Slalom and Tricks at Calendar Competitions
- A Junior Judge may not function as a Chief Judge.
- A Junior Judge may not function as a Boat Judge but should be encouraged to act as the third member of the boat crew in all events.
- A Junior Judge may only function as a Judge at National Competitions, if invited to do so by the BWSW Technical Working Group
- A National Junior Judge, on reaching their 16th Birthday will be upgraded to National Judge (J3) by the BWSW Technical Working Group

21. RULES FOR HOMOLOGATORS**21.1 NATIONAL HOMOLOGATORS (H3)****General**

National Homologators can only be approved by the Technical Working Group. All candidates for National Homologators must be members of BWSW and aged 16 years and over.

Functions

A National Homologator may function as an Assistant to a Senior or International Homologator at any competition for which the appointed Homologator is qualified

Examinations

There shall be both theoretical and practical exams.

Practical Examination

The candidate will be required to carry out a complete check of both a slalom and jump course under the supervision of a BWSW appointed Homologator and demonstrate his/her ability to carry out this work.

Theoretical Examination

This examination will be an oral exam carried out by a BWSW appointed Homologator and the candidate must satisfy the examiner of his/her basic understanding of checking a slalom and jump course.

Renewals

A National Homologator who fails to function to the satisfaction of the Technical Working Group will cease to be a National Homologator.

21.2 SENIOR & INTERNATIONAL HOMOLOGATORS (H2 AND H1) refer to E&A additional rules. Can officiate at British E&A rankings list competitions.

22. RULES FOR SCORERS

All Scorers are required to use the British Water Ski official Overall Scoring Programme for all calendar competitions. This programme will be provided to qualified Scorers and those in training free of charge upon request. This will enable competition results to be sent by email and transferred to the Handicap league tables with a higher degree of accuracy.

22.1 NATIONAL 4 SCORERS (S4)**General**

S4 Scorers can only be approved by the Technical Working Group. All candidates for S4 Scorer must be members of BWSW and aged 16 years and over.

Functions

A National 4 Scorer may function as an Assistant to a National or International Scorer at any competition for which the appointed Scorer is qualified.

A National 4 Scorer may calculate unsupervised any competition where results count for British Standings List or Handicap League results. A National 4 Scorer may not calculate unsupervised a National competition.

Examinations

Candidates must submit their calculation records from at least two British Water Ski Calendar competitions to the Technical Working Group for checking. These records must include all tricks sheets (all judges and all skiers), slalom record sheets, jump sheets (meter readers, computer printout, etc.) and full results.

The sheets will be checked for accuracy and conformation to the Rules. If, in the opinion of the Technical Working Group, the results are satisfactory then a National 2 Scorer qualification will be awarded.

Renewals

A National 4 Scorer who fails to function to the satisfaction of the Technical Working Group will cease to be a National 4 Scorer.

22.2 NATIONAL SCORERS (S3)**Responsibility**

National Scorers shall be examined and appointed by British Water Ski. Candidates must have functioned as Assistant Scorer at a minimum of two National standard competitions. They must be members of BWSW and remain so in order to retain their qualification.

Functions

National Scorers are qualified to function at Normal homologation and, in exceptional circumstances, at Ranking List homologation competitions. In the case where the Confederation E&A TC has been unable to appoint a full panel to an International Calendar competition organised by his Federation a National Scorer may be appointed to the panel by his Federation.

Examinations

Examinations will be carried out by a Scorer nominated by British Water Ski.

The exam will consist of two parts, one theoretical and one practical.

Theoretical Examination

The theoretical exam shall consist of questions testing the candidate's knowledge of the Rule book and Confederation E&A Additional Rules in so far as they concern the duties of a Scorer and the memory for Tricks values.

Practical Examination

For the practical exam the candidate will be required to calculate a complete competition under the supervision of the examining Scorer and demonstrate his/her ability to carry out this work alone.

Renewals

A National Scorer who fails to function to the satisfaction of the Technical Working Group will cease to be a National Scorer.

23. RULES FOR TECHNICAL OFFICERS

Technical Officer is a role introduced by British Water Ski in 2001 specifically to ensure all the required Technical Installations for any competition are in place and in good working order. At National events the TO may be appointed by British Water Ski if considered necessary. At other competitions clubs may utilise the services of a TO at their own cost.

During the competition the TO is responsible to the Homologator and Chief Judge.

Technical Officers are appointed by the Technical Working Group on the recommendation of an existing TO following an apprenticeship of one season and after demonstrating their ability to install and manage all necessary technical equipment at three major events.

24. INSURANCE COVER FOR OFFICIALS

One of the benefits of BWSW membership is third party liability cover for registered Officials. The points below are a brief summary of the cover provided:

- BWSW registered members acting as Officials on behalf of their discipline are covered by a comprehensive £10m liability scheme.
NB If you are not a member the cover does not apply.
- Cover provided is worldwide.
- Cover applies to officiating within the environment of a BWSW affiliated club at calendared and club events in the UK.
NB if you officiate at a non-affiliated club then the cover does not apply.
- Cover additionally applies to overseas officiating when appointed as an official at International events sanctioned by the international federations (E&A and IWWF).
NB if you officiate at a non-sanctioned event which does not form part of the international calendar the cover does not apply.
- **Cover for drivers – third party liability for any boat driver whilst in the boat should be covered by any boat insurance. Organising Clubs must ensure that any boat driven at their events has adequate cover in place.**
- Cover does not apply to non-UK residents.