

# Australian Barefoot Water Ski Club

## Rule Book

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP

1. Candidate must be a member of the Australian Water Ski & Wakeboard Federation (AWWF)
2. Candidate must attain "**Barefoot Position**" (Ref: Rule C1303 of IWSF 2007 World Barefoot Technical Rules, World Barefoot Water Ski Council) and maintain such position for at least 60 seconds or at least 30 seconds for Women, Juniors or Sub-Juniors. Such position be attained by any start method. Eg. Deepwater start, step off ski, kneeboard etc.
3. Three attempts only on any one day may be made.
4. Once the candidate signals the boat driver to go, losing the rope constitutes one miss. The examiner may give a re-run only if he/she considers circumstances are such that the candidate is not at fault.
5. A candidate is responsible for obtaining the boat, driver and examiner. The examiner may act as the observer.

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## **RULE 1 – GENERAL**

1.01 The rules set forth here govern the “National Championships” sanctioned by the AWWF. These rules are to be read in conjunction with the IWSF Barefoot Technical Rules. Although the States are responsible for the “State Championships”, it is intended that they should follow these rules as closely as possible.

1.02 The “National Championships” shall be held annually and shall be run over a period approved by the ABWSC Committee.

### **1.03 EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES**

Where compliance to the rules is infeasible, the “Chief Judge” shall, with the approval of a majority of the appointed “Judges”, make the necessary change, inform each contestant by posting, and send a report to the “ABWSC Committee”. Where the rules are definite and feasible, a vote of the “Judges” to decide whether to enforce any provision is prohibited.

### **1.04 INTERPRETATION OF THE RULES**

Questions of interpretation of the rules must be referred by the “Chief Judge”: to the “Chairman appointed by ABWSC” or their nominee, who shall when possible convene a Delegates Meeting. Any interpretation made by the “Delegates”, as a whole shall be considered final. If a Delegates Meeting cannot be convened the interpretation shall be made by a majority vote of the appointed “Judges” and the “Chief Judge” shall make a report to the “ABWSC Chairman” or their nominee concerning the question.

### **1.05 AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES**

These rules shall be amended by the “ABWSC Committee” and such amendments shall become effective 30 days after the amendment(s) are sent registered post to the Secretary of each affiliated State. Any amendment deemed necessary between meetings must be agreed to by a simple majority vote. No rule change will be made between the 30<sup>th</sup> of November of the tournament season and the “Nationals” unless such rule change is a “World Rule”, or by a unanimous decision of all states.

### **1.06 VALIDITY**

The inability for one reason or another of a State to attend the “National Championships” (including political reasons) would not require that the competition be cancelled or postponed or that the titles would any less be “National Championships”.

### **1.07 VOTING**

Every vote of the appointed “Judges” or the “Event Judges” shall be decided by a simple majority of the “Judges” voting. In the case of a tie the “Chief Judge” shall have a casting vote. Judges should be assembled prior to being informed of the need to take a vote, and should be informed as a group, prior to taking a vote.

## **RULE 2 – BAREFOOT TOURNAMENT EVENTS**

2.01a The events in a tournament are “Wake Slalom” and “Tricks” for all divisions together with “Jump” for Men’s, Women’s, Men’s 1 & 2, Women’s 1, Senior Men’s, Junior Boys and Junior Girls. A “Champion” and succeeding places shall be determined in each event. A “Champion” and succeeding places shall also be determined for the “Overall” and for “State Teams” as described in Rule 5.

2.01b Women’s 2, Senior Women’s, Veteran Men, Veteran Women’s, may contest a “Jump” event (without affecting overall placing’s) provided they hold the qualifications. Sub Junior Boys and Sub Junior Girls may also contest the Jump event if they are over 13 years of age and hold the required ratings to jump. There will be no Jump event in the Men’s 3 and Super Veteran classifications.

2.02 Each event shall consist of two rounds, a preliminary round and a final round. All skiers qualified to ski in an event must ski in the preliminary round of that event.

In the case of the final round, only the first ten (10) Men and eight (8) women based on the results from the preliminary round, shall be qualified to ski in the final round of that event. For all other divisions, 50% or six (6) whichever is the greater shall be qualified to ski in the final round of that event.

Invitational skiers if qualified to ski in the final round will be additional to the numbers required in that division.

If there is a tie for the final place in the preliminary round in any of the divisions all tied contestants shall go into the final round.

If there are six (6) or less competitors in a division at the “National Championships” all competitors in that division shall be taken into the final round provided that each skier has scored in the preliminary round.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

2.03a Not later than 6 months before the start of the tournament the date of such tournament shall be notified to all “State Secretaries” by the “Host State”.

2.03b Prior to the 30<sup>th</sup> of November the “Tournament Director” shall send a proposed schedule of events to the “ABWSC Chairman”. Upon approval by the “ABWSC Committee” and no later than 60 days before the start of the tournament the “Tournament Director” shall send the schedule showing the order of events, the dates on which they occur, and the starting hour for competition each day, to each affiliated “State”. A schedule of starting times for events, if shown, shall be for the guidance of the contestants only, and any division therefrom shall not constitute a change.

2.03c No later than 7 days before the start of the tournament, the “Tournament Director” shall send to the “State Secretaries” and the “Chief Judge” by priority paid mail a schedule showing the order of the draw for each division and events entered, for all competitors.

2.03d The National Organising Committee shall hand over to the Homologator under the supervision of the “Chief Judge”, the tournament site and equipment for homologation at noon on the day prior to the commencement of official practice.

2.03e After commencement of homologation the “Chief Judge” and/or any official shall not allow any Tournament equipment to be used for any other purpose than the conducting of the “National Championships” other than for promotional activities.

Any skier who uses the tournament site or equipment after the commencement of homologation shall be immediately disqualified from the tournament.

## **SCHEDULE OF CHANGES**

2.03 Changes in the schedule during the tournament shall be made only for weather conditions, safety or similar reason. The Jury (Chief Judge, Tournament Director and Technical Director appointed by ABWSC, or his nominee) must approve the change by simple majority and all affected contestants shall be notified by posting. Although changes are to be discouraged the “Chief Judge” should not hesitate to request the necessary changes dictated by safety.

## **COMPLETION OF THE TOURNAMENT**

2.05a Once the tournament has started, the “Judges” do not have the authority to cancel any event, and the tournament must be completed even if the “Judges” are obliged to continue it in a neighbouring community, unless the “ABWSC Committee” decide otherwise on the recommendation of the “Chief Judge”.

2.05b Should the tournament be abandoned by the “ABWSC Committee” the following conditions shall apply:

- a) Should the tournament be abandoned before the completion of the first round, no overall champions shall be declared, however for any completed first round events the winner shall be named the event champion.
- b) Should the tournament be abandoned before the completion of the entire second round the following conditions shall apply:
  - i) Any division that has completed all events in both rounds will have overall scoring carried out in accordance with rule C502
  - ii) Any division that has not completed all events will have overall scoring calculated on first round scores only.
  - iii) Event places shall be determined on all completed rounds.
  - iv) Team scoring in any case will be calculated entirely on the first round.

2.06 Each “State” will provide on the “National Entry Form” the competitors best score, in each event contested, which will be used for seeding in all divisions. Scores used for seeding purposes shall be competitors best scores at any official (sanctioned tournament by the ABWSC) tournament since and including the preceding “National Championships”.

Random draw for groups of skiers will be made for each event. The number of skiers in each group for a division will be equal to the number of skiers eligible to compete in the final round eg. 10 men compete in the final; therefore, seedings will be in groups of 10.

## 2.07 ORDER OF GROUPS

The "Tournament Director" prior to the start of the tournament shall decide in what order the groups within a division shall ski (eg. 30 Mens skiers – 3 groups; A, B & C; the order of skiing may be C, A & B). The starting order of the groups will only be varied by initiation from the "Chief Judge", and only then with a majority decision of the Judges.

## 2.08 STARTING ORDER

Once the entry list has been closed the order of the contestants will be made by random draw as detailed in rule 2.06 and posted. No change to this order of contestants is allowed except that a "Team Manager" may:

- withdraw a skier from the competition
- replace, with the authority of the "Chief Judge", an injured skier certifiably unable to continue to ski in the competition, with a qualified reserve from the same team. The reserve shall take part only in the events of which the preliminaries have not yet started at the time the replacement is made and in the place of the injured skier in each event in which he/she is to replace him/her.

Once the starting order is posted it is the responsibility of the contestant to present himself/herself at the starting dock in time for his/her turn.

Any contestant who fails to be on immediate hand and in condition to ski when the boat is ready for him/her shall be disqualified from the remainder of the event. However, the dock official or the "Event Judges" shall grant up to one additional minute of time for gear changes or emergencies developing or discovered just prior to the contestant's turn to ski, or between passes in a turn. The disqualification of a skier for failure to be ready to start shall be treated as an emergency for the skier next in turn. The additional time shall be cumulative if more than one skier in turn is so disqualified.

In the event of failure of wetsuit or drysuit rendering it unsafe (refer rule 8.06), the skier shall be returned to the starting dock and the next contestant in order shall ski. At the conclusion of that skier's turn, the original skier shall then have his/her second pass. Should the skier not be in a safe condition to ski his/her second pass (refer rule 8.06) he/she shall then be disqualified from the remainder of the event.

In the final round of an event, the starting order shall be in the reverse order of their placement in the preliminary round of that event. Any ties in placement shall be broken by random draw.

2.08a No more than three (3) skiers shall be allowed on the starting dock at any one time for all events.

## 2.09 FAMILIARISATION

The skiers will be permitted to familiarise themselves with the tournament site and equipment under the authority and responsibility of the "Chief Judge". Each team shall be allocated an elapsed period between leaving and returning to the dock, equal to six minutes for the skiers entered in two events and eight minutes for skiers entered in three events multiplied by the number of skiers actually skiing in Familiarisation.

2.09a The selected boat drivers shall make themselves available for familiarisation under the supervision of the “Chief Judge” at noon on the day prior to commencement of Official Practice. The familiarisation is to include both tournament courses, jump courses and rates of acceleration.

### **RULE 3 – DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION**

3.01 Competition in each event shall be separated in the following divisions

Men's		
Women's		
Men's 1 *		
Men's 2 *		
Men's 3 *		
Women's 1 *		
Women's 2 *		
Senior Men	}	
Senior Women	}	Age to be 35 years
Veteran Men	}	
Veteran Women	}	Age to be 45 years
Super Veterans Men	}	
Super Veteran Women	}	Age to be 55 years
Junior Boys	}	
Junior Girls	}	Age to be under 17 years
Sub-Junior Boys	}	
Sub-Junior Girls	}	Age to be under 14 years

# Ages to be taken from January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the competition is held.

\* Eligibility to the Men's 1, 2 & 3 or Women's 1 & 2 are restricted to those skiers who hold less than the Men's or Women's division entry Qualifications.

### **RULE 4 – TOURNAMENT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

4.01 Each State which is affiliated with the ABWSC has the right to select a team consisting of the following maximum amount of contestants per division:

Men's	Unlimited
Women's	Unlimited
Men's 1	Unlimited
Men's 2	Unlimited
Men's 3	Unlimited
Women's 1	Unlimited
Women's 2	Unlimited
Senior Men	Unlimited
Senior Women	Unlimited
Veteran Men	Unlimited
Veteran Women	Unlimited
Super Veteran Men	Unlimited
Super Veteran Women	Unlimited
Junior Boys	Unlimited
Junior Girls	Unlimited
Sub-Junior Boys	Unlimited
Sub-Junior Girls	Unlimited

Each State also has the right to select an Official Team Manager and Team Captain to represent their State in the National Championships.

A National record holder not selected for his/her State may compete, by right, in the event, in which the record is held, as an individual. Their performance however, shall not be considered in the overall calculation or towards team standings

- 4.02 State representation shall be determined by references to the electoral role competitors being resident in that State for a period of 12 months except in the case of border line cases, who have been granted special dispensation by the AWWF at least 30 days before National Titles, and also competitors of other Nationalities, who have been resident in a State for a period of 12 months or more.
- 4.03a Each State shall send to the Chief Judge not later than 14 days prior to the commencement of official familiarisation the names, divisions and events entered by each competitor.
- 4.03b Each State shall be required to send to the Chief Judge not later than 14 days prior to the commencement of official familiarisation the name, address and telephone number of the States Team manager and/or Team Captain.
- 4.03c Each State Shall certify and forward to the Secretary of the Host State not later than 14 days prior to the official familiarisation on the official entry form, the name of its Team, the event(s) each Team member has entered, the division each Team Member has entered and any other information requested on the official entry form. This certification of each State shall be to the authenticity and eligibility of each contestant entering the National Championships in that year.
- 4.03d The Secretary of the Host State shall send by priority prepaid post sufficient entry forms and the name and address of the Chief Judge to each State, not later than 28 days prior to the commencement of official familiarisation for the National Championships.
- 4.04 The minimum qualifications required by skiers entering the National Championships shall be determined annually by the ABWSC Committee at the Annual General Meeting.

4.05a For skiers to be eligible to compete in the National Championships they must meet the following minimum Entry Qualifications:

	SLALOM	TRICKS	JUMP
Sub Jnr Girls			Not allowed
Sub Jnr Boys			Not allowed
Junior Girls			Rule 4.07
Junior Boys			Rule 4.07
Veteran Women			Rule 4.07
Veteran Men			Rule 4.07
Super Veteran Women			Not allowed
Super Veteran Men			Not allowed
Senior Women			Rule 4.07
Senior Men			Rule 4.07
Mens 3			Not allowed
Mens 2	6.5	1000	Rule 4.07
Womens 2			Rule 4.07
Mens 1	10.0	1600	13.5 metres
Womens 1	6.5	1000	7.0 metres
Mens	15.0	3200	20.0 metres
Womens	10.0	1300	11.0 metres

Mens, Mens 1, Womens, Womens 1, only require two of the three minimum entry qualifications in order to be eligible to enter the National Championships.

4.05b The scores to satisfy National Entry Requirements in 4.05a shall have been attained during the previous complete season and the current season to date. The season shall be defined at the period 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> June.

4.05c To qualify as a "Master Skier", a skier must hold two master entry qualifications.

4.05e All skiers under the age of 13 years, Men's 3 and Super Veteran Men's and Women are not permitted to Jump at ABWSC sanctioned events.

4.06 Contestants in All ABWSC Sanctioned events shall be financial members of the AWWF.

4.07 A skier must have a jump proficiency and minimum event scores of: Wake Slalom 6.5; Tricks 1000; and a positive Jump score to be eligible to enter the jump event. Such scores to have been attained at any official (Sanctioned by the ABWSC) tournament since and including the preceding Years Federation Standings.

## **RULE 5 – EVENT, OVERALL AND TEAM COMPETITION**

### **OVERALL SCORING**

- 5.01a Event placement amongst finalists eg. Skiers qualifying under Rule 2.02, shall be based on their final round results only, except that finalists who do not score in the final round shall be placed in the order of their first round scores, after all those who do score in the final.
- 5.01b A skier who qualifies to go into the final round shall be placed higher than all skiers who do not, regardless of his/her score in the final round.
- 5.02 A contestant's best score in either the preliminary round or the final round will be counted towards the calculation of the overall score. Scores obtained in the running of a tie shall not be counted towards the overall. In determining overall placing's, the contestant with the best score in "Wake Slalom, Tricks and Jump" will be awarded 1000 overall points. Each remaining contestant shall receive points for each event in the proportion that his score bears to the best score in that event. For example see IWSF WBC Rule C503.
- 5.03 To be considered for overall standing a contestant must have received points in all his/her division.
- 5.04 Places in all the overall championship shall be determined by adding each contestant's overall points in all events in his/her division.

### **TEAM SCORING**

- 5.05 In the overall scores the best 4 Men, Women, Senior Men, Senior Women, Veteran Men, Veteran Women, Combined and the best 3 Juniors and Sub-Juniors combined to be used in the Team Scoring for the National Championships. The skiers whose scores are used in the Team Scoring shall be identified on the team score sheets.

NOTE: Men's 1, 2 & 3 and Women's 1 and 2 scores are to be calculated against the Men and Women's scores respectively for Team Scoring. Super Veteran Women's and Super Veteran Men's scores are to be calculated against Veteran Women's and Men's scores respectively.

5.06 Team Scoring results shall be announced and results distributed no later than 10.00pm at the Presentation Dinner. Protests to be lodged within one hour of such announcement.

## EXAMPLE

		JUMP	WAKES	TRICKS
MEN	A	750	800*	1000*
	B	600	550	550
	C	1000*	200	650
	D	900*	400	450
	E	850*	600	500
WOMEN	F		800	400
	G		1000*	900*
	H		550	500
SNR MEN	I	1000*	1000*	1000*
	J	400	500	600
SNR WOMEN	K		750	100
	L		400	50
VET MEN	M		700	850*
	N		200	400
	O		780	600
VET WOMEN	P		1000*	800
	Q		500	30
JNR BOYS	R	750	550	800*
	S	1000*	750*	600
	T	650	300	1000*
JNR GIRLS	U		600	700
	V		800*	650
	W		550	150
SUB-JNR BOYS	X		600	450
	Y		300	550
SUB-JNR GIRLS	Z		1000*	1000*
TOTALS		3900	6350	6500

**TOTAL TEAM SCORE = 16,750**

## **RULE 6 – OFFICIALS**

Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Judges, Homologator, Chief Scorer, Scorers, Drivers.

### **6.01 CHIEF JUDGE, ASSISTANT CHIEF JUDGE, HOMOLOGATOR, CHIEF SCORER**

The ABWSC Committee shall appoint the Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Homologator, Chief Scorer for Australian Masters and National Titles, from those proposed by the Barefoot Divisions of each State and/or themselves by the 30<sup>th</sup> of November each year.

All proposals shall be received by the ABWSC Secretary no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> October each year

### **6.02 JUDGES, SCORER**

The Judging Selection Panel shall appoint the Judges and Scorers from those proposed by the Barefoot Divisions of each State. All State proposals shall be received by the Secretary no later than six weeks prior to the event. Those appointed shall be notified of their acceptance at least four weeks prior to the Event.

6.03 The Chief Judge shall supervise all Judging and scoring operations and shall select the appropriate number of Judges and Assistants for each event. Such Judges shall be of the highest level available in Australia. Each appointed (by the Judging Selection Panel) Judge must be given the opportunity to officiate in each of the Slalom, Trick and Jump events during the tournament. The Chief Judge shall not serve as an event Judge.

6.04 The Assistant Chief Judge shall carry out the duties delegated to him/her by the Chief Judge. Should two events need to be run concurrently and on two stretches of water he/she will preside on the second water.

### **6.05 SCORE SHEETS AND RESULTS**

The scoring sheets of each judged skier shall be made available for inspection by all the team representatives as soon as the results are posted. Under the team representative's responsibility the skier may view his/her own scoring sheets.

Results shall be posted as soon as reasonably possible after the conclusion of the event. If the results are not available 30 minutes after the last skier of the day, the official posting will be delayed (except after the last final) to one hour prior to the first skier of the next day.

The unofficial results should be posted as soon as they are available.

6.06 Where possible, Judges shall be separated to ensure completely independent decisions. Judges shall not confer on their score sheets except to determine the last trick in time under IWSF WBC rule C1608.

- 6.07 The Chief Judge and each appointed Judge shall sign a statement on the prescribed form at the conclusion of the tournament that the rules were followed explicitly noting any exceptions allowed.
- 6.08 Wherever possible, officials' filling complementary positions (eg. Boat driver and boat timer, etc.) should be from different states.
- 6.09 The Host State shall be responsible for the official organising of the National Championships. The Host State shall appoint a Tournament Director who shall be responsible to the ABWSC and Chief Judge.

#### 6.10 VIDEO OPERATIONS

The Judging selection panel shall appoint a Video Coordinator and experienced Video Operators from those proposed by the Barefoot Division of each State as per rule 6.02, who shall be responsible to the Chief Judge. The Video Coordinator shall oversee the complete arrangements for the Video Operations. A video operator and camera shall ride in the boat at all times except Jump Event to make a video film for the use of the Event Judges as required.

#### 6.11 DRIVERS

The judging selection panel shall appoint the boat drivers from those proposed from the state Barefoot Divisions of each State. All State proposals shall be received by the Secretary no later than six weeks prior to the Event. A Maximum of two boat drivers may be from any one State, however, if insufficient drivers are nominated from the States, more that two drivers from one State may be appointed. The appointed drivers shall be notified of their acceptance at least four weeks prior to the commencement of the tournament.

The Chief Judge shall assign the boat driver for each event. Each appointed driver must be given the opportunity to officiate in each of the Slalom, Trick and Jump events during the tournament.

The driver may be changed during an event by the Chief Judge if required because of the length of the event. This shall take place between groups.

- 6.12 Additional Judges/Officials/Drivers to fill secondary positions (or to replace unavailable officials) will be selected by the judging selection panel (or Chief Judge) from the Judging/Driving dossier, in order of merit and subject to availability. Qualifications obtained by these Officials up to the commencement of the tournament will be considered.
- 6.13 Where possible the two boat system for the jump event should be used.

## **RULE 7 – MASTERS TOURNAMENT**

7.00 There will be no familiarisation for the tournament

### **7.01 EVENTS**

The events in the tournament are Jump, Slalom and Tricks for all divisions. A champion and succeeding places shall be determined for each event and for the overall in each division as described below.

### **7.02 EVENT ROUNDS**

Each event shall consist of two rounds, a preliminary round and a final round. All skiers qualified to ski in an event must ski in the preliminary round of that event.

### **7.03 FINALS**

All skiers who skied in the preliminary round are eligible to ski in the final round regardless if they scored or not.

### **7.04 DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION**

The Divisions for a Masters Tournament will be:

- Mens
- Womens
- Junior Boys
- Junior Girls

### **7.05 TOURNAMENT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Invitations to compete at the Masters Tournament will be drawn from the lists of eligible skiers provided by the current Australian Standings.

Invitations will be sent out by the ABWSC Secretary to be received by the skiers no later than six weeks prior to the tournament, with entries closing four weeks prior.

The States will be responsible for the provision of up to date names and addresses for all their ranked skiers.

The minimum entry requirements are the National entry requirement scores in all three events (slalom, tricks and jump) for Mens 1, Womens 1.

A skier who has a Master Mens or Womens rating score in any event, shall be eligible to enter the event(s) in which the rating(s) are held.

All skiers qualified for individual event(s) shall not be awarded overall points, nor will their score be used in the calculation of overall points in the event. The skiers performance will only be considered for an event placing.

The Australian Senior and Junior squads will also be invited to the tournament. This does not negate the requirement that to be eligible to enter the jump event, skiers must comply with Rules 4.05(e) and 4.07 of the ABWSC Official Tournament Rules.

Entry scores for the Australian Masters shall have been achieved during the period 1<sup>st</sup> July of the preceding or current Australian Standings or no later than 30 days prior to the Tournament.

## SPECIAL INVITATIONS

The Selectors have the authority to invite a skier who is under consideration for the Squad/Team Selection (eg. Specialist skier), to compete in the Masters Tournament even if they do not have the required ratings, however, their scores shall not be calculated.

### 7.06 EVENT RANKING

Each contestant's scores for the preliminary and final rounds shall be added to yield his/her total score for determining placement in each event. The contestant with the highest total score shall be the winner of the event.

### 7.07 Overall points shall be calculated from the scores obtained in all events – slalom, tricks and jump for each round.

A skiers score in both the preliminary and final round, will be calculated separately and be counted towards the calculation of the overall score.

The best performance by a skier in each event both in the preliminary and final rounds shall be awarded 1000 overall points. All other performances by skiers shall be calculated as per the standard formulae (refer World rules 502).

To be considered for overall placing, a contestant must receive overall points in all 6 events.

Places in the overall championship shall be determined by summing each contestants overall points in the six events as detailed above.

## **RULE 8 – WORLD RULES**

### 8.0 World rules as set out in the IWSF WBC Rule Book C8 to C16 inclusive shall be substituted into this Australian RuleBook, except where Australian Amendments have been made.

## **RULE 9 – AUSTRALIAN AMENDMENTS TO WORLD RULES**

9.0 The following Australian amendments take precedence over the corresponding numbered World Rules or are additional rules for ABWSC sanctioned tournaments.

### **9.01 SUB-JUNIORS**

Sub-Juniors may request one speed variation in the Trick Pass. Such request shall invalidate any World Record application.

### **9.02 VIDEO**

Prior to the computation of the scores the event judges, where possible, should view the video to confirm their score sheets. Alterations made by the event judges shall become the score sheet.

### **9.03 SKIER TURN AROUND TIMES**

Turn around times will operated in the following manner:

- i) Time to commence when the boat arrives at the start area
- ii) Warnings will be given at 30 seconds and 10 seconds. However, should the 30 second call be overlooked, no re-run shall be granted for the failure to give this call.
- iii) 'Time' shall be called at the expiry of the nominated turn around time; a hand shall also be raised to indicate expiry of time. The skier shall immediately signal the boat to go.  
Should the skier not immediately signal the boat to go, the Skier Communicator Judge shall advise the skier that he/she have been disqualified from that pass.
- iv) The skier has the option to go before the turn around time has expired.
- v) The turn around time will be set by the Chief Judge after considering the recommendation of the tournament Director.

## **RULE 10 – SAFETY**

10.0 At least two weeks before the Tournament, the Tournament Committee shall appoint such assistants as appear necessary. The Safety Directors (one for each site) shall be responsible for the safe condition of all equipment, facilities and operation of the tournament. He/She shall have the authority to take whatever action is necessary, including the stopping of the tournament, whenever he/she observes a condition he/she believes to be unsafe. The Chief Judge with the approval of the majority of the appointed judges may overrule any contemplated action or decision of the Safety Director. The Safety Director shall remain near the competition area as much as possible. The Safety Director shall not act as a Judge or Driver during the tournament.

## **RULE 11 – START TRICK DESCRIPTIONS**

11.0 Start Tricks must be performed as per the WBC PPG Start Trick descriptions and be performed as per WBC Rules to be credited

## **RULE 12 – TRICK DESCRIPTIONS**

12.0 Tricks must be performed as per the WBC PPG trick descriptions and be performed as per WBC Rules to be credited.

## **RULE 13 – PROFICIENCY BADGE TRICKS**

13.0 Tricks must be performed as per the following trick descriptions. These tricks cannot be used in a tournament.

### **13.01 PICK UP SKI**

Contestant must, from skiing position on a single ski, step off and barefoot on one foot, lift ski off the water and remove ski from other foot, holding same for a period of five seconds. At no time during the performance of the trick must any part of the body, except the foot, touch the water.

### **13.02 BACKWARDS TOE TUMBLETURN**

Contestant must, without the rope passing through the legs, be towed from a deepwater position onto his/her stomach and from this position make a definite twist backwards (feet towards the boat) and attain backwards rope on foot barefoot skiing position.

### **13.03 MASTERS TUMBLETURN**

Contestant must after attaining barefoot skiing position complete four tumbleturns eg. 360, 360 reverse, 180, and 180 reverse in the elapsed time of twenty (20) seconds from the first movement to start the first tumbleturn.

### **13.03a MASTERS TUMBLETURN ONE FOOT**

Contestant must after attaining barefoot skiing position complete four one foot tumbleturns eg. 360, 360 reverse, 180, and 180 reverse in the elapsed time of twenty seconds from the first movement to start the first tumbleturn.

### **13.04 FORWARDS WAKE SLALOM TWO FEET**

Contestant after attaining barefoot skiing position must commence crossing the boat wash, from a position outside the curl, through the wash to a position outside the opposite curl, completing three crossings in an elapsed time of twenty seconds without losing barefoot skiing position, backtracking or stopping.

13.05 FORWARDS WAKE SLALOM ONE FOOT

As for 13.04 except that the lifted foot shall not touch the water during each crossing.

13.06 BACKWARDS WAKE SLALOM TWO FEET

As for 13.04 except that the skier shall be in the backwards barefoot skiing position.

13.07 BACKWARDS WAKE SLALOM ONE FOOT

As for 13.05 except that the skier shall be in the backwards barefoot skiing position.

13.08 GOLD TRIPLE

Contestant shall out of a maximum of five attempts complete all of the following: (1) forward beach start, (2) tumbleturn start, (3) backwards start. Two failed attempts only are permitted.

13.09 ONE HAND ONE FOOT STEP OFF FORWARD

Contestant shall after attaining skiing position on a ski (blanks are permitted) step off onto one foot holding the bar with only one hand. The lifted foot and free hand shall be held in such a position that they can be seen clearly by the examiner. This position shall be held for a duration of five seconds.

13.10 ONE HAND FOOT STEP OFF BACKWARDS

As for 13.09 except that the skier shall be in the backwards barefoot skiing position.

13.11 SOMERSAULT OFF SKIS

Contestant shall after attaining skiing position on two skis (blanks are not permitted) jump off the skis and complete a somersault in mid-air, the skier must be completely clear of the water during the somersault. On landing, the skier's feet must touch the water before any other part of his/her body. The skier shall continue, after landing to ski for a period of at least five seconds.

13.12 FORWARDS MASTERS

Contestant shall after attaining forward barefoot skiing position continue to ski for a period of at least ten minutes. At no time during the attempt shall any part of the skier's body, except the feet, touch the water.

13.13 BACKWARDS MASTERS

As for 13.12 except that the skier shall be in the backwards barefoot skiing position.

13.14 BACKWARDS

Contestant shall after attaining backwards barefoot skiing position hold this position for a minimum period of five seconds. At no time during the attempt shall any part of the skier's body, except the feet touch the water.

## **RULE – RECORDS**

14.0 The maintenance of Australian Records shall be the responsibility of the ABWSC Committee. All record applications shall be adjudicated upon by the 'Records Ratification Sub-Committee' appointed by the ABWSC Committee.

### **14.01 RECOGNITION**

The Australian Barefoot Water Ski Club shall recognise Australian Records for tricks points, slalom performances, jump distances and endurance's in all division.

World and Region records set by an Australian will automatically be recognised as an Australian Record.

Skiers from all divisions are eligible to hold Open Men/Womens records. Other divisional records can only be set by skiers skiing in that division, except where the competition being conducted has no provision for that division and the skier is obliged to ski up from his/her normal division eg. World Titles, Masters etc. Boys ski open, sub-jnr ski junior etc.

### **14.02 TOURNAMENT (WHERE SET)**

Records may be set only at homologated tournaments sanctioned by the ABWSC, a State or an affiliated federation. A claim for a trick or slalom record must moreover be accompanied by a video tape recording the passes constituting the record.

### **14.03 JUMP**

The longest officially authenticated distance jumped in the jump event of a tournament shall be a new record if it exceeds by 10cm or more the official record performed on a date before the tournament. If the longest distance equals the existing record distance the skier shall become co-holder of the established record.

### **14.04 TRICKS AND WAKE SLALOM**

For the Trick and Wake Slalom events, the best performance in the relevant event of a tournament will only be considered as a new record if it exceeds the official record performed on a date before the tournament.

If the official record is equalled, the skier will become co-holder of the established record.

### **14.05 ENDURANCE**

The longest officially authenticated time for the endurance event shall be a new record if it exceeds by one second or more the official record performed on a date before the attempt. If the longest time equals the existing record time, the skier will become co-holder of the established record.

#### 14.06 EQUAL PERFORMANCE

If at a tournament a new record score is equalled, the new record shall be co-held no matter who may be the ultimate winner of the event.

#### 14.07 VERIFICATION

Specifications of equipment, courses and measuring devices shall be as set out hereunder and by the official Record forms, which must be completed and certified by the State Technical Delegate, Chief Judge and other required officials.

For trick and slalom records a video film of the runs taken in accordance with the rules must accompany the Affidavit.

The State Committee shall in writing advise within 7 days the ABWSC Records Chairman of any proposed records.

The completed records documentation, as detailed in the current policy book, together with the logged tape shall be sent or handed to the ABWSC Records Chairman within 30 days

For all records the Records Approval committee shall scrutinise the applications and supporting documentation, and in the case of a trick or slalom record view the film or tape. They shall vote on the application.

The ABWSC Records Chairman shall then table the approved record application at the next ABWSC meeting for ratification.

#### 14.08 AD HOC APPROVAL OF RECORDS

Where records are set at Australian Masters and National Championships the Records Approval Committee shall at its discretion and without recourse to the procedures in 17.7 approve a record set at these championships.

#### 14.09 RULES FOR AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RECORD ATTEMPTS

1. Application to be passed by ABWSC Chairman upon receipt of \$ 50.00
2. There are twenty divisions, viz. Sub-Junior Girls, Sub-Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Junior Boys, Women's, Men's, Senior Women, Senior men, Veteran Women, Veteran Men. All these divisions for forwards and backwards attempts.
3. Two timers to be appointed by ABWSC Committee and four stop watches to be used.
4. Date to be fixed at ABWSC Committee meeting. A period of 30 days will be allowed in which time to make the attempt. However, 14 days notice of the exact date must be given to the ABWSC Secretary or a further 14 days notice of change of date.
5. Should competitor fail to appear on the set date, forfeiture of the application fee is automatic.
6. No further attempts in any one division within one calendar month of a successful attempt shall be allowed.
7. Competitor to supply: Crew, Pick-up boat and crew, any necessary licenses etc. and any other personal equipment required.
8. No harness to be used or an other equipment other than standard
9. Competitor to sign indemnification.
10. Only one attempt is allowed on nominated day.
11. Deferment or delay due to weather conditions to be at discretion of the timers.
12. Re-runs due to mechanical faults to be at the discretion of timers.
13. Deferred attempts to be made within two weeks at discretion of timers.
14. If attempt unsuccessful, a new application must be presented to the Committee for approval, accompanied by a further fee of \$ 50.00.
15. Summary of successful attempt to be prepared at next Committee meeting of ABWSC.
16. Official timers to be responsible for presenting time to this meeting.
17. If timers are late, applicant has option to request deferment of trial date.
18. However, no consideration will be given to Rule 17 if event has started.
19. Committee reserves the right to alter rules as it deems necessary without notification.
20. All appeals to be sent to ABWSC committee accompanied by a fee of \$ 100.00 which will be refunded if appeal is upheld.