

Application for Water Ski Tournament Sanction

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Instructions

I. General: All USAWS/AWSA-sanctioned tournaments must have a currently affiliated USAWS water ski club as their official organizer or co-organizer. If your club affiliation has expired, return the club membership form and required fee with your sanction application to USAWS Headquarters. All club affiliations expire December 31.

II. Deadlines and Fees:

A. <u>Standard Applications and Fees</u>: The Sanction Application, Tournament Organizer's Safety Checklist (Items 2 and 4) and sanction fee must be received at USAWS Headquarters prior to the deadlines listed below to avoid a late fee. The club must also be a <u>current</u> USAWS affiliated club by the time a sanction application is received. Clubs not meeting deadlines with ALL required forms must pay the appropriate late fees indicated below. Please note that the deadlines indicate number of days prior to opening date of tournament.

Tournament Class	Sanction Fee	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Late Fee</u>
Cash Prize (Record & Non-Record)	\$300	21 days	\$200
Record Capability (Classes E,L,R)	\$175	21 days	\$200
Class C	\$125	21 days	\$200
Classes I and N	\$ 45	14 days	\$100

Note: Refer to class descriptions on the next page.

PLEASE NOTE: USAWS assumes no responsibility for delays in the U.S. mail. It is strongly suggested that you mail your application via "Registered Mail - Return Receipt Requested". No telephone applications will be accepted.

- B. <u>Tournament Kit</u>: The tournament kit is available via CD or online at <u>www.usatwaterski.org</u>.
- C. <u>Revisions/Cancellations</u>: In the event of tournament cancellation or changes in date, events, class, etc., you must notify your Regional Executive Vice President (EVP) and USAWS's Competition Department immediately. USAWS <u>must</u> receive approval of changes from the Regional EVP. In the case of tournament cancellation, all but \$25.00 of the sanction fee will be refunded if the tournament kit is returned to USAWS intact. **No late fees will be refunded**.
- D. <u>IWSF Pan American Region (Region I) Sanction (Record Capability Only)</u>: World Record (Class R) and World Standings List (Class L) record capability tournaments must complete the IWSF Pan American Region (Region I) Record Capability Sanction Application and submit the appropriate \$25.00 (U.S.) to the Pan American Region as indicated on the application. If you have requested a record capability sanction, the application is attached.
- E. <u>Rules Exceptions</u>: Requests for rules exceptions must be submitted on Item 5 and received by USAWS or the Chairman of the Rules Committee no later than six (6) weeks prior to the opening date of the tournament or as specified in Rule 1.11.
- F. <u>Tournament Calendar for The Water Skier</u>: Tournament information for *The Water Skier* is requested on the Application for Tournament Sanction. If you wish to have your tournament information published in the magazine, USAWS Headquarters must receive your sanction application and fee by the first of the month prior to the cover date of the magazine. There will be nine (9) issues in 2001. Two months will be combined in one issue with the exception of May and October (i.e., January-February, March-April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November-December). Therefore, for an April 15th tournament date, the sanction application must be received by USAWS no later than February 1.

considered sanctioned until the Regional EVP's copy of Item 2 indicating approval is received at USAWS Headquarters.

Only fully insured "Active" members may participate in USAWS/AWSA-sanctioned Class I, C, E, L or R tournaments.

Guest Memberships may **only** be honored and purchased at the following USAWS/AWSA-sanctioned events for **\$10** for each event. Refer to the Guest Membership Registration form located in the "Registrar" packet of the tournament kit for further details. Be sure to follow the application directions carefully.

- Learn to Ski Clinics
- Ski Show Exhibitions
- Club Practices
- Class F "Fun" Tournaments
- Class N "Novice" Tournaments
- Fun. Novice or Wakeboard portion of an AWSA (3-event) tournament sanctioned as Class C&F or C&N.

Refer to the AWSA Official Tournament Rules for specific tournament requirements. USAWS/AWSA-sanctioned tournaments may be classified as follows:

Class N:

- A. Required officials include an AWSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge as Chief Judge; an AWSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Driver as Chief Driver and a USAWS-rated State, Regional or National Safety Director. Refer to Rule 6.03 for details.
- B. All officials receive full credit for rating maintenance only, not upgrading. Skiers' ratings up through First Class can be earned and signed off.

Class I:

- A. Required officials include an AWSA-rated Regular or Senior Judge as Chief Judge; two (2) appointed AWSA-rated Assistant or Regular Judges; an AWSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Scorer as Chief Scorer; an AWSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Driver as Chief Driver and a USAWS-rated State, Regional or National Safety Director. Refer to Rule 6.03 for further details.
- B. Officials receive full credit for rating upgrading and maintenance. Skiers' ratings up through and including First Class may be earned and signed off.

Class C:

- A. Organizer must have organized a water ski tournament, sanctioned or unsanctioned, held during or since the prior two calendar years. In addition, the Chief Judge of that tournament must certify that it was run basically according to AWSA Rules, and that in his opinion, the sponsor could produce a satisfactory tournament.
- B. Required officials include an AWSA-rated Regular or Senior Judge as Chief Judge; two (2) appointed AWSA-rated Regular or Senior Scorer as Chief Scorer; an AWSA-rated Regular or Senior Driver as Chief Driver and a USAWS-rated State, Regional or National Safety Director. These officials must be listed on the sanction application before the sanction can be approved. Refer to Rule 6 for further details on required officials.
- C. Officials receive full credit for rating upgrading and maintenance. Skiers' ratings up through and including EP may be earned and signed off.

<u>Record Capability</u>: Refer to AWSA Rule 15 for further details on technical and personnel requirements. Different divisions in the same tournament may be run under different sets of record rules. For example, Open may be run under World Record, Men and Women 1 and 2 under World Standings List and the remaining divisions under National Entry.

- A. Class E (National Entry): National records may be set and a National Championships single EP may be obtained.
- B. Class L (World Standings List): In addition to the above, performances qualify for the IWSF World Standings List.
- C. Class R (World Record): In addition to the above, performances are eligible for World Record consideration.

Cash Prize: Refer to the AWSA Rule 16.

<u>Towboats</u>: Only towboat models that have been certified as approved by USAWS may be used to pull USAWS-sanctioned events. The approved towboats are listed on Item 7. Contact USAWS Headquarters' Competition Department for more details regarding the towboat program.

IV. Procedures:

- A. The current edition of the AWSA Official Tournament Rules is helpful when completing sanction applications. Rulebooks are available online at www.usawaterski.org/pages/divisions/3event/main.htm.
- B. Type or print clearly all information requested and provide signatures where indicated. Mail Items 2 and 4 to USAWS Headquarters' Competition Department with appropriate national sanction fee and the club membership form and fee (if applicable) in the envelope provided. Make check or money order payable to USA Water Ski. Mail a copy of Item 2 to your Regional EVP (names and addresses are listed below) in the envelope provided with a check or money order payable to your Region for any Regional fees required.
- C. Once the abovementioned items and the Regional EVP's <u>written</u> approval have been received by USAWS, you will be sent a kit of materials via UPS.

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