

**IWWF Pan American Wakeboard Championships** 







# **BULLETIN 1**

October 17–19, 2024 Auburndale, FL, USA









USA Water Ski & Wake Sports and the IWWF Pan American Confederation are pleased to invite all federations and their members to the 2024 IWWF Pan American Wakeboard Championships presented by Visit Central Florida to be held in Auburndale, Florida USA from **October 17-19**, **2024** at Champions Lake at Lake Myrtle under the supervision and rules of the IWWF.



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# LOCATION / PLACE OF COMPETITION

#### Champions Lake at Lake Myrtle

Located in Auburndale, FL Champions Lake is one of the newest lakes in the country built specifically to host towed water sport events.

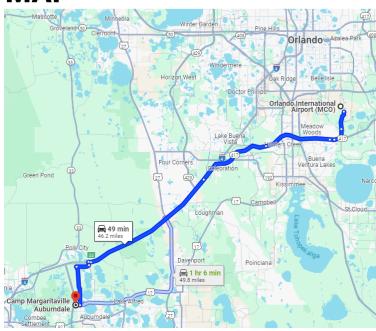
**Airport** - Athletes can make travel arrangements to arrive at Orlando International Airport (MCO) or Tampa International Airport (TPA).

Teams must organize transportation to lodging accommodation sites. As reference ride share services cost around \$65.

**Rent-A-Car** - Alternatively, participants may choose to use any of the major rent-a-car companies that are available in either Orlando International Airport or Tampa International Airport.

**Lodging Transfer to Competition Site** - Transportation is not necessary for athletes staying in the Athlete Village as accommodations are next to the competition site.

### **MAP**











## **WEATHER**

In Auburndale, the month of October is characterized by an average high temperature of 85°F and an average low temperature of 68°F.

## **CURRENCY**

The currency is the U.S. Dollar (USD) Visa, American Express, MasterCard, and Discover are accepted almost everywhere.

## **VISAS**

While some people enjoy visa-free travel to the United States, most of the world's population requires a visa before traveling to the United States.

Many Western countries and developed nations are part of the Visa Waiver Program. If you're one of 38 countries on the Visa Wavier Program list, then you do not need a visa to visit the United States in most situations; instead, you can apply for an Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA). Your ESTA can be completed online in minutes and requires much less work than a visa.

For more information about which countries require a VISA to travel to the United States as well as the process for applying for a VISA, click <u>here</u>.

Please email Chris Zukas at czukas@usawaterski.org for VISA Invitation Letter needs.









## **ORGANIZER**

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports www.usawaterski.org

Contact: Chris Zukas Director, Marketing & Events czukas@usawaterski.org



## **INTENT TO PARTICIPATE**

According to the IWWF Rulebook Federations must send a letter of "Intent to Participate" to Chris Zukas at czukas@usawaterski.org before June 16, 2024.

A model/example of this letter can be found at the end of this bulletin.









### **TRAINING**

OFFICIAL TRAINING - According to the rule book, chapter 3.7

October 16 (Wednesday), time slots will be available for official training.

The cost will be \$50.00 per time slot. Time slots are 10 minutes, which will be 10 minutes in length and include 2 full passes or 3 falls, whichever occurs first. Training should be paid in cash or card on-site prior to the start of your training session.



## **OFFICIAL TOWBOAT**

To be determined.

## **JUDGES**

Judges and Officials will be nominated by the IWWF Pan Am Wakeboard Council. USA-WSWS will provide accommodation and food for the judges.

Transportation will be provided from airport to hotel & to site.

A percentage of the registration fee will be destined to assist technical officials on their travel costs.









## **TENTATIVE EVENT PROGRAM**

Date	Time	Detail
Tuesday, October 15	All Day	
	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Unofficial Training Day
Wednesday, October 16	All Day	Arrival of Delegations
	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Official Training Day 1
	6:00PM	Judges Meeting
	6:30PM	Team Captains Meeting
	7:30PM	Opening Dinner
Thursday, October 17	8:00AM - 5:00PM	First Day of Competition
		(Qualification Rounds)
	6:00PM	Opening Ceremony
Friday, October 18	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Second Day of Competition
		(LCQs and Semi-Finals)
Saturday, October 19	8:00AM - 5:00PM	Third Day of Competition
		(Finals)
	6:30PM	Medals / Closing Banquet
Sunday, October 20	11:00AM	Departure of Delegations

<sup>(\*)</sup> A more detailed program will be released after the "Intention to Enter" deadline.

<sup>(\*\*)</sup> We strong suggest that the teams do not make travel plans for the 20th due the close gap between medals ceremony and logistics to the airport





Booking link and pricing will be published soon.





# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND TEAM NOMINATIONS





It is the sole responsibility of IWWF-affiliated National Federations to select and enter their riders. Individual entries will be accepted, but they must be submitted by the Federation.

Each Federation may select its team in any manner it desires. However, each team member must be a citizen or applying for citizenship of the country that the Federation represents and a member of good standing of their home Federation. In case of doubt as to the nationality of a competitor, the Chief Judge and Chief Calculator normally will refer to his/her passport.

If a rider does not have a passport from the country he/she is representing, he/she must prove residence in the country for at least five years and membership in an affiliated club of the Federation. Each Federation shall certify that all members of its team meet these qualifications.

Prior to competing, a competitor must sign a participation contract and understand the nature of the sport and its special risks, particularly in the format. It is the responsibility of the competitor to register with the designated registration person and show proof of Federation membership before riding. Competitors must disclose to the event organizer any special medical conditions, including but not limited to, injuries in the past or present or other pre-existing medical conditions.

TEAM SCORING: Please refer to points 2.7.6, 3.8 and 3.9 of the 2022 IWWF World Wakeboard Rules.

### LIABILITY

The organizer Committee, the host hotel and IWWF Pan American Confederation will not be liable for any loss or damage to equipment or personal property, and injuries to athletes, officials, judges, official volunteers, and other persons attending official or unofficial programmers during the event.

Athletes are required to purchase and show proof of personal accident insurance prior to entry. The insurance policy must provide coverage internationally. The organizer will not be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any athlete from his participation in these events.

Adequate personal medical insurance coverage is necessary. Certificate of medical insurance coverage/full payment is required before medical treatment/hospitalization takes place.

All riders have to sign a liability form, and riders under 18 need their parents to sign as well. Each Team Captain has to give Liability forms of all his athletes at the Registration.









# **EVENT CATEGORIES**

#### U14 - 14 AND UNDER (BOYS)

14 years old and under - if you are 14 years or under on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### U14 - 14 AND UNDER (GIRLS)

14 years old and under - if you are 14 years or under on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### U18 - 18 YEARS AND UNDER (JUNIOR MEN)

18 years and under – if you are 18 years or under on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### **U18 - 18 YEARS AND UNDER (JUNIOR WOMEN)**

18 years and under – if you are 18 years or under on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### **030 - 30 YEARS AND OVER (MASTER MEN)**

30 years or older on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### **030 - 30 YEARS AND OVER (MASTER WOMEN)**

30 years or older on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### **O40 - 40 YEARS AND OVER (VETERAN MEN)**

40 years or older on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### **040 - 40 YEARS AND OVER (VETERAN WOMEN)**

40 years or older on December 31st in the current year the event is held

#### **OPEN DIVISION (OPEN MEN)**

No age restriction

#### **OPEN DIVISION (OPEN WOMEN)**

No age restriction



## **RULES**



According to the IWWF Wakeboard Rules can be found here.

## **DOPING CONTROL**

In accordance with the IWWF Anti-Doping Rules, doping controls may be conducted during the competition. By entering this competition, all athletes agree to be subject to doping control. Information about the IWWF Anti-Doping program, the current IWWF AD Rules and links to the list of banned substances can be accessed on the following link: <a href="https://iwwf.sport/anti-doping-information/">https://iwwf.sport/anti-doping-information/</a>

All riders must have their passports with them at any time during the competition. Please note, if you are randomly chosen for drug testing, and fail to identify yourself with your passport, or fail to take the test for any other reason, it will result with an immediate disqualification

### **IWWF SAFE SPORT POLICY**

The IWWF takes safeguarding extremely seriously and is committed to ensuring that everyone who attends the championships, whether athletes, officials or volunteers are able to operate in a safe environment, free from abuse and the risk of harm. It is a condition of participation that all attendees familiarize themselves and comply with the IWWF Safeguarding Regulations which are available at https://iwwf.sport/safe-sport/



## **IWWF LICENSE**







Following an agreement by the IWWF World Congress held in 2019, the IWWF Executive Board approved the establishment of an <a href="IWWF License">IWWF License</a> fee from 2021 where athletes wishing to compete in Ranking List / 3 to 6 Star competitions (including IWWF World titled events) in each Sports Division of the IWWF are required to hold an IWWF License. It is requested that Federations ensure that all their athletes hold a valid IWWF License in order to participate in the 2024 IWWF Open, U23 & Junior World Barefoot Water Ski Championships.

## **REGISTRATION OF RIDERS**

Each Federation shall register their riders through their Federation's EMS Administrator no later than October 1, 2024, through the <a href="IWWF Event Management System">IWWF Event Management System (EMS)</a>. Any Federation not meeting this requirement will not be allowed to compete until the Federation pays a fine of US\$10 per rider per day after the deadline to the IWWF for each rider not officially entered. Late entries will only be accepted with the mutual consent of the Organizer and Chief judge. Registration will close on October 15th at 12:00 a.m. If a rider is not able to be on site before the registration closes, he/she (or the Team Captain) must ensure that a digital copy of his/her passport is sent to the Chief Judge and Chief Calculator and that his/her entry fee is paid, as well as a clear indication of the category the rider will compete in.

The registration of the rider's participation in EMS needs to be done as follows:

- 1. Each Federation's EMS Administrator should login to EMS
- 2. Go to the Competitions menu and set the Code to "24PANAO4" and the Country to "USA" in the Search Filters.
- 3. Select the 24PANA04 "IWWF Pan Am Wakeboard Championships 2024" competition
- 4. Scroll down to the Participations section and click the "New participation" button to register the Athletes
- 5. Enter the Name of the Athlete in the Search box and click on the loop sign to the right
- 6. Register the Category in Competition, the Event "and the Entry Type if known (if not known yet select "Individual Participant"; you must define the Team Members latest by October 15, 2024 at 12:00 a.m. prior to the first day of the Event on site)
- 7. Click on the blue "Add" button and the participant will be registered
- 8. Repeat the steps 5 to 7 for any additional participants
- 10. Entry fees and penalties will be collected on site in cash



# ATHLETE INFORMATION FOR COMMENTATOR







Please request your athletes to log into IWWF's EMS (<a href="https://ems.iwwf.sport/">https://ems.iwwf.sport/</a>) to fill in / update their profiles (accomplishments, sponsors, social media handles, other interesting information in the optional fields, etc.) so the event commentator has information available to communicate to spectators present at the event venue and online via live stream. They should also upload photos for media use. Athletes should contact their respective Federations if they are not active / confirmed EMS users.

**Example** 



# **INTENTION TO ENTER**

IWWF Pan American Wakeboard Championships
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The	Federation will attend the 2024
IWWF Pan American Wakebo	ard Championships in Auburndale, Florida.
We expect our team to cons	ist of:
U9 Boys/Girls	
U14 Boys	U18 Jr. Men
U14 Girls	U18 Jr. Women
Open Men	O30 Men
Open Women	O30 Women
040 Men	O40 Women
Please note to open a divisio	on, a number of 3 countries represented are required.
Team Captain	
Team Manager / Coach	
For further information plea	se contact
E-mail	
Phone	
Date	Signature

Please return this form no later than June 16, 2024