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# Rules of the Wakeboard Division of the South African Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation

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## Rules of the Wakeboard Division

### 1. **Introduction**

The rules set out below are the rules of the Wakeboard Division ("Wakeboard") of the South African Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation ("the Federation") and have been adopted in terms of the Constitution of the Federation. In these rules, words importing the singular shall include the plural, words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine.

The definitions used in the Constitution of the Federation shall apply in these rules.

### **"A" Rules**

#### 2. **Division Assets**

(non at the moment)

*In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the "A" Rules may only be amended with the approval of 75% of the Administrative and Competitive members of the Division present in person or represented by proxy in a class meeting.*

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### **"B" Rules**

#### **3. Language**

The official language of the Division is English.

#### **4. Auditors**

4.1. The auditors of the Federation will be the auditors of the Division.

4.2. The auditors shall be given full access to the financial statements of the Division to enable an audit to be carried out.

#### **5. Corporate governance**

5.1. The Division may open more than one bank account.

5.2. Any two of the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary of the Division or Secretary of the Federation shall be signatories to the Division's bank accounts. A signatory that is a beneficiary, directly or indirectly, of any amount paid by the Division shall not be entitled to act as a signatory in the matter in which he has an interest.

5.3. The Divisional Committee members shall act with utmost good faith in their dealings with the Division.

5.4. Executive Council members, Divisional Committee members and skiers selected to ski in national or regional teams shall sign the code of conduct of the Federation, as amended from time to time.

5.5. A summary of up-to-date financial information shall be circulated to Division Committee members every quarter.

#### **6. Remuneration of Divisional Committee members**

6.1. No members of the Divisional Committee shall be paid a salary.

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- 6.2. Divisional Committee members may be paid out-of-pocket expenses. The Divisional Committee shall have the power to determine a policy with regard to out-of-pocket expenses. Alternatively, such expenses will be reimbursed if agreed with the Chairman and Treasurer prior to them being incurred. The Treasurer (or Chairman) and one independent Divisional Committee member may approve expenses incurred by the Chairman (or Treasurer).

### **7. Divisional colours**

- 7.1. The colours of the Division shall be those of the Federation.
- 7.2. The Badge of the Division shall be the badge of the Federation, with the addition of the word "Wakeboard".
- 7.3. The following persons may be awarded the Divisional Badge
- 7.3.1. Divisional Committee Members;
- 7.3.2. Representatives of the Division on any trip outside the borders of South Africa;
- 7.3.3. Skiers selected to ski for a national team who do not meet the required qualifying standards of their Division for national colours; or
- 7.3.4. Any other person recommended by the Divisional Committee.
- 7.4. The Divisional Committee shall, by a simple majority, approve the award of Divisional colours.
- 7.5. The right to wear the Divisional colours shall not be limited to any time period.

### **8. Standards for membership**

#### **8.1. Competitive members**

A skier may be admitted as a competitive member if he has , in the last or current season:

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entered at least one competition

### 8.2. Administrative members

A person may be admitted as an administrative member if he has, in the last or current season, in a Wakeboard :

8.2.1. judged; or

8.2.2. homologated; or

8.2.3. driven; or

8.2.4. scored;

and is available to perform such duties in the current season.

In addition, any person who has provided meritorious service to the Division, or whose expertise is required, or who has served on a regional or provincial committee in the past or current year, may be admitted as an Administrative member in the sole discretion of the Divisional Committee.

### 8.3. Ordinary members

Any person who does not qualify as a competitive or administrative member may be admitted as an ordinary member.

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### 9. **Rights of ordinary members**

Ordinary members shall have the right to participate in the leg(s) of the National series that are held in that rider's home province. This right is valid for one year only and, if exercised, may not be exercised again.

### 10. **Annual Class Meeting**

The Division shall hold at least one class meeting per year as defined in the Federation Constitution. The following business shall be conducted:

- Reading of Notice and Minutes of previous reports
- Change of Divisional rules
- Other business on the agenda
- Election of Committee Members( consisting of the following minimum):
  - A chairman
  - A secretary
  - A technical director
  - A national judge

### 11. **Technical rules**

- 11.1. The Division shall be governed by the IWWF Rules and the E&A Additional Rules.
- 11.2. The Wakeboard Divisional Committee shall sanction national Wakeboards competitions.

### 12. **Wakeboards**

#### 12.1. **Format of Wakeboards**

The Division shall endeavour to hold tournaments in all provinces where clubs are active or can be developed. The season shall culminate in the South African Championships.

#### 12.2. **Principle of rotation**

The South African Championships shall be rotated amongst the [clubs/provinces] on an equitable basis. Any province not

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hosting the Championships in turn shall get first preference at the end of the published 4 year rotation.

### 13. Officials

- 13.1. The requirements for International Officials are set out in the IWWF E&A Additional Rules, as amended from time to time.
- 13.2. All Officials must be current members of the Federation in order to officiate at competitions.
- 13.3. All Official's qualifications are valid for one year and are subject to renewal and, in order to be considered for renewal, all officials are required to attend a seminar at least once every three years.

### 14. Discipline

#### 14.1. Code of conduct

All members of the Wakeboard Division shall be bound by the code of conduct, **a copy of which is set out in Appendix 3 to these Rules.**

#### 14.2. Breaches of the code of conduct

Breaches of the code of conduct will be handled as follows:

- 14.2.1. During training, by the chairman or manager of the club;
- 14.2.2. During competitions in South Africa, by the organiser of the tournament; and
- 14.2.3. During competitions outside South Africa, by the manager of the team.

#### 14.3. Disciplinary committee

A disciplinary committee consisting of three Divisional Committee members shall be appointed to consider disciplinary measures.

#### 14.4. Terms of reference of the disciplinary committee

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The disciplinary committee may investigate any breach of the code of conduct by any skier. The disciplinary committee shall, at the request of a team manager review penalties; suspensions or any other disciplinary measures proposed under paragraph 7.2

### **15. Selection**

#### **15.1. Selection committee**

A selection committee shall consist of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Wakeboard Division of the SAWWF, the Chief Judge of the Division, the riders representative of the Division. Any teams selected shall be forwarded to the Divisional Committee for approval.

#### **15.2. Decisions of the selection committee**

Decisions of the selection committee shall be by majority vote unless otherwise specified in the rules.

For competitions where selection committee selects the entry, the category in which the skier is entered will be at the discretion of that committee.

#### **15.3. Selection philosophy**

Wakeboard recognises that there may be a conflict between the selection of the team that will finish in the highest possible position in the Worlds and the need to bring credit to South African skiing through sending riders that win medals or reach the finals.

#### **15.4. Basis for selection**

Selection of riders shall be based on the average of the riders' best performances of three provincial, national or international competitions from the most recent summer season of both the southern hemisphere and northern hemisphere (if applicable). Riders participating in competitions overseas shall be responsible for providing their scores to the selection committee.

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### 15.5. Non-performance related selection criteria

The selection committee may in selecting a team, by unanimous agreement, take account of the fact that a rider was unable to ride in sufficient Wakeboards to establish a ranking because of injury.

The selection committee shall be entitled to take any riders' disciplinary record and commitment to the South African team into account for selection purposes.

### 15.6. Minimum standards

No skier shall be selected to ride in a competition if his performances do not meet the required minimum entry standards for that competition.

### 15.7. Timetable and cash deposits

**The selection committee may specify times by which selected skiers must commit to the team, any deposit to be paid and the terms of the deposit,..** taking account of the notification (30 days) and additional application (30 days) for the colours which must be granted by SASCOC before the tournament

### 15.8. Team selection

First preference will be given to selecting a team of overall riders who could potentially end up as medallists as a team.

If it is unlikely that a team could achieve the medallist standard, the selection committee must consider the selection of riders who are potential medallists.

The selection committee may consider the selection of riders who are potential finalists in one or more events, based on the impact this selection will have on the team result.

### 15.9. Historically Disadvantaged Individuals ("HDIs")

HDIs who meet the prospective finalist standard shall be included in the team, subject to:

- no more than 25% of the team being selected from PDIs who are rated below skiers who are not selected; and

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- the objective of maximizing the team's medal opportunities.

The selection committee must make every effort to include HDIs in the team. In the event that no HDIs meet the prospective finalist standard, a HDI who meets the tournament entry standard shall be included in the team. If no HDI meets the tournament entry standard, the selection committee must consider appointing a non-skiing member to the team.

### **16. National colours**

#### **16.1. Qualification for colours**

Presented in Appendix 1

#### **16.2. Recommendations for colours**

The Divisional Committee shall put forward to the Federation the names of riders to be awarded National colours.

## 17. APPENDIX 1: Selection Standards

The table below sets out the minimum requirement for award of national colours:

The minimum qualifications riders of each division had to achieve in the preceding season are as follows:

|                                 |                                       |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Juniors (Under 15) ---          | 5 invert s or spin moves              |
| Juniors (Under 15) ---          | 1 invert s or spin move               |
| Junior Men (Under 19) ---       | 8 invert s or spin moves --- 1 Hi End |
| Junior Ladies (Under 19) ---    | 1 invert s or spin move               |
| Open Ladies (All ages) --       | 1 invert s or spin move               |
| Open Men (All ages)             | 8 invert s or spin moves --- 4 Hi End |
| Masters Men (30 and over) -     | - 3 invert s or spin move             |
| Masters Ladies (30 and over) -- | 1 invert s or spin move               |
| Veteran Men (40 and over) --    | 2 invert s or spin move               |

The above is according to the Free Ride System currently in use by the Association and Wakeboarding world-wide and the divisions are as per the E&A Wakeboard Rules.

APPENDIX 2: (Removed)

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## 18. APPENDIX 3: CODE OF CONDUCT

### CODE OF CONDUCT

As a skier representing the South African Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation, I will observe all of the following:

- Treat the National Emblem and the National Flag with all the respect and honour it deserves.
- Not display any un-sportsmanlike behaviour, on or off site, as well as on the water.
- Wear the official team uniform at all the required occasions as requested by the Federation.
- Not over indulge in the use of alcohol and tobacco. Bad language and rowdy behaviour will not be tolerated and will be strictly dealt with. Junior skiers are prohibited from consuming alcohol at the site of any National or International competitions.
- Confirm that I am totally free of any drugs and will not indulge in any drug.
- Have absolute respect for all persons (such as people in public place, officials and judges, various staff, speakers) and will take utter care of other peoples' property.
- Set suitable examples at all time and act as an ambassador of South Africa and the Federation
- Respect the authority of the Team manager, Team coach, Executive of the Federation and Officials of the competition.
- Accept any disciplinary measures applied by the South African Water Ski Federation and / or any of its affiliated Division.

Signed at ..... on the .....20 .

Name :.....

Signature:.....

President  
South African Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation