July 10, 2024

TO: Pan Am and Senior Judges, Scorers, Drivers and Technical Controllers (3-Event Officials only)
FROM: Jeff Smith, AWSA International Activities Committee Chair
RE: Officials for the 2025 University World Waterski Championships

On or after July 30, 2024, the AWSA International Activities Committee (IAC) will nominate officials for the 2025 international event listed below. **To be considered, you MUST COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM BY EMAIL NOT LATER THAN JULY 20, 2024 (including the information on the reverse side).** All judges and scorers must hold a **3-event Pan Am rating, and all drivers must hold a 3-event Senior or Pan Am rating**. REMEMBER THAT YOUR PAN AM RATING MUST BE CURRENT, INCLUDING ANY APPLICABLE RE-TESTING REQUIREMENTS, TO BE CONSIDERED. Information about renewing your Pan Am rating is at: <a href="https://forms.gle/XRh6iwvMgjbBzbsa6">https://forms.gle/XRh6iwvMgjbBzbsa6</a>. For this event, IWWF will then fill these positions from among the nominees. Partial travel expense reimbursement may be available, although the availability and amount of any reimbursement is not yet determined.

To be considered for this event, you must provide the IAC with a list of the Class R-L-E tournaments you have worked at during the last three (3) years showing your proficiency at the high level of competition expected for this tournament (see IWWF Ranking List). A questionnaire is attached for this purpose. Specific attention will be paid to work at Elite/Major tournaments. Your list of tournaments should be provided with your returned form.

Please indicate your interest by marking and completing this form and returning it to Jeff Smith (jsmith@honigman.com). All submitted forms will be acknowledged.

#### 2025 University World Waterski Championships, Auckland NZ, February 26 to March 2, 2025

Judge <u>Scorer</u> <u>Driver</u>

Notice of any appointments for this tournament will be made directly by IWWF.

Name, telephone and email address:

Please attach tournament information!

#### TOURNAMENT INFORMATION Please provide information for 2022, 2023 and 2024 R, L and E events (For drivers, see attached IAC Driver Selection Criteria)

Name of Official/Driver Applicant: \_\_\_\_

Please provide the name and date of each tournament, and the events pulled/judged/scored, meeting or exceeding the benchmarks indicated during 2022, 2023 and 2024:

Drivers - Slalom (4@ 39 off at 34 or 36 MPH):

Jump (190 feet – 6' ramp; 170 feet – 5.5' ramp; 160 feet – 5' ramp):

Tricks (6000 points)

Judges – Tricks (8,000 points for 35+ candidates, 10,000 points for Pan Am Championships candidates)

Scorers – Tricks (8,000 points for 35+ candidates, 10,000 points for Pan Am Championships candidates). Please also provide information about any tournament events where you have used the international scoring software

Homologators/Technical Controllers – Class R three-event experience

# IAC DRIVER SELECTION CRITERIA

**IAC Driver Selection:** 

The goal of the IAC Committee is to create a standardized process whereby aspiring Three Event/Pan Am Rated Senior Drivers have an opportunity to participate in International Events.

## CALL FOR INTEREST

The IAC will notify all qualified drivers about the availability of positions for upcoming international events. It is the responsibility of each qualified driver to submit to the IAC Chairman or the designated IAC representative a personal performance resume containing information that fulfills the criteria as listed below. All interested parties that have completed this task by the designated date will be placed onto an IAC list of viable candidates for each event. It will then be the responsibility of the IAC to select suitable candidates for all listed events from this list. The IAC will publish the selections as soon as reasonably possible.

The goal of the IAC selection process should be defined as: Fair, equitable, and objective to all drivers involved. This should not be considered a popularity contest and selection should be based on the abilities of the candidates.

### THE PROCESS

- The IAC shall issue an annual email to all three event Senior/Pan Am rated drivers requesting notice of their interest in participating as an appointed driver at IWWF International events at which the Pan AM region provides officials.
- When a list has been compiled by IAC, it will be the duty of the IAC to review each resume, applicable Sure Path data (depending on the event, the driver should have pulled similar divisions as listed in his resume as to what he or she will drive at the event), the provided data should indicate the driver is in sync with the skier and the use of stated tolerances and boat path are acceptable to IWWF stipulations for that event.
- Progressive Selection Process: To participate as a driver at the IWWF premier events: A driver needs to demonstrate he or she is competent in a progressive process which requires the following. Each driver wishing to drive a Level 1 elite event must first participate as a driver in Level 3 events, then Level 2 events to qualify to participate in Level 1 events.

# LEVEL 3 (Must be AWSA Senior Driver / IWWF D2 Driver):

May be selected to participate as a driver at one of the following: Jr. US Open, Can Am Championships, U17 World Championships.

Qualifications:

- Must be 21 years of age or older.
- Have been an AWSA Three Event Senior Driver for a minimum of three years.
- Must be a citizen of the United States.
- Must have driven at a minimum of 3 tournaments in each of the three prior years.

- Must have participated in 3 Record Capability tournaments in the last three years.
- Must have shown experience in all three brands of boats in different conditions at different sites.
- Must have driven the following in a sanctioned tournament:
  - o Slalom: 4 @ 38 off at 34 MPH or 36 MPH
  - Jump: 180 feet- 6-foot ramp
  - Jump: 165 feet- 5.5 ramp
  - Jump: 150 feet- 5 ramp
  - Tricks: 5500 Pts

# LEVEL 2 (Must be AWSA Senior Driver / IWWF D2 Driver):

May be selected to participate as a driver at the Pan American Championships and/or Pan American Titled Events. A driver may also be nominated, by the IAC and with approval of the IWWF Tournament Council, to participate as an appointed driver at the 35+ Worlds Championships or the U21 World Championships, provided they meet all qualifications as set forth by the IAC and IWWF.

Qualifications:

- Must be 21 years of age or older.
- A AWSA Three Event Senior Driver for a minimum of three years.
- Must be a citizen of the United States.
- Must have driven at a minimum of 5 tournaments in each of the three prior years.
- Must have participated in 6-Record Capability tournaments in the last three years.
- Must have shown experience in all three brands of boats in different conditions at different sites.
- Must have driven at least 2 tournaments in at least one of the three following categories: Regionals, Nationals, or Cash Prize Pro event in the last three years.
- Must have driven the following in a sanctioned tournament.
  - Slalom: 4 @ 39 off at 34 MPH or 36 MPH
  - Jump: 190 feet- 6' ramp
  - o Jump: 170 feet- 5.5 ramp
  - Jump: 160 feet- 5 ramp
  - Tricks: 6000 Pts

# LEVEL 1 (Must be AWSA Senior Driver / IWWF D1 Driver - Pan American):

Having progressed from Level 3 and Level 2, a driver may be selected to drive Pan Am Games, or Pan Am Championships. A driver may be nominated by the IAC and with approval of the IWWF Tournament Council participate as an appointed driver at the World Games, Under 21 World Championships, or the Open World Championships, provided they meet all qualifications as set forth by the IAC and IWWF.

Qualifications:

- Be recognized as a D1 / Pan American driver by the Pan American Federation.
- Must be 21 years of age or older.
- Been an AWSA Three Event Senior Driver for a minimum of three years.
- Must be a Pan Am Rated D1 Driver.
- Must be a citizen of the United States.

- Must have driven at a minimum of 6 tournaments in each of the three prior years.
- Must have participated in 9-Record Capability tournaments in the last three years.
- Must have shown experience in all three brands of boats in different conditions at different sites.
- Must have driven at least 4 tournaments in at least one of the three following categories: Regionals, Nationals, or Cash Prize Pro event in the last two years.
- Must have driven the following in a sanctioned tournament.
  - Slalom: 4 @ 39 off at 34 MPH and 4 at 39 off at 36 MPH
  - Jump: 190 feet- 6'ramp
  - Jump: 185 feet- 5.5 ramp
  - Jump: 175 feet- 5 ramp
  - Tricks: 7000 Pts