

Summary of 2024 Rule Proposals

1.01A. The rules set forth here govern all sanctioned tournaments.

~~B. Except as noted in Rule 1.06, no deviations are permitted from these rules for National Tournaments with the exception of a onetime experimental change in the protocol, approved by the AWSA Board of Directors that would be announced at least three months prior to the tournament.~~

B. For all other sanctioned tournaments, certain deviations are permitted. The exceptions are listed in the section of the rules to which they apply.

Move 1.14 to 7.08. No change in wording but a better fit for the intent of the rule.

With this change rule 1.15 becomes 1.14.

2.06 Order of Contestants

A. Nationals: For the National Tournament, entry shall be closed as noted in Rule 2.04.A, and the order of contestants in each event shall be determined and posted ~~a Seeding Committee composed of one member from each Region, appointed by the AWSA President. The committee shall rank the contestants in each event according to ability, with the highest seeded skier skiing last. The committee shall be guided by performances during the year preceding the Nationals, and other factors at its discretion, and its decisions shall be final. No change in this order is permitted. without the authorization of the Seeding Committee, except that a contestant may withdraw his name, in person or by proxy, before the event starts.~~ **by the AWSA National Rankings before the start of the contestant's event. The contestants in each event will be ordered according to their ranking, with the highest seeded skier skiing last, and shall be guided by the performances during the year preceding the National Tournament.**

2.06D. For any division in which skiers request a lower ramp height, these skiers shall be grouped together and, at seeded tournaments, shall ski prior to those using the standard **higher** ramp height for that division.

2.03 Changes in the schedule during the tournament shall be made only for weather, water conditions, safety, **technological delays, or to avoid having one division compete in two or more events at the same time on separate lakes**, or a similar reason and not for the convenience of any skier. A majority of the Appointed Judges must approve the change, and all affected contestants or their representatives shall be notified. **Notification will be posted on site and through skiers' registration contact information.**

Although schedule changes are discouraged, the judges should not hesitate to make adjustments required for safety.

4.02 National Tournament Qualifications

Overall: For those qualified by placement in overall ~~without level 8 rankings,~~ scores for all events required for overall for the applicable division at the current Regionals or immediate past Nationals, must be above zero ~~unless the skier has a current level 7 ranking in that respective~~ ***in all events unless there are scores on the current ranking list above zero in each event.***

4.03B2 Add the following wording:

Other Excuses: The EVP may excuse a skier from this requirement if the skier provides proof, at least 48 hours prior to the start of the Regional Tournament, that he is confined to a full-facility hospital; is on extended military service; is on jury duty; is involved in an immediate family tragedy; or has suffered an injury or illness that precludes him from participating. The proof provided to the EVP must be sufficient to allow the EVP to make a fair and objective determination regarding the skier's ability to ski at the Regional Tournament. If the skier does not provide sufficient documentation (e.g., hospital admittance form, jury duty notice, etc.) within the stated time frame, the skier must appear before the EVP at the Regional Tournament, prior to the skier's scheduled event, at which time the EVP will make a determination as to the skier's ability to ski in the tournament. The EVP may excuse a skier for reasons other than those listed above, and with less than 48 hours notice, under extraordinary circumstances. ***An EVP's approved excuse may only be granted for events a skier is qualified to compete in at Nationals.*** Any skier misrepresenting his situation to the EVP shall be precluded from skiing in the National Tournament for the current year.

Change table in AWSA rule 6.10 to align with the naming of IWWF officials

AWSA Official	AWSA Class
<i>PanAm J1/S1/D1/H1</i>	<i>All AWSA and IWWF</i>
Senior <i>J2/S2/D2/H2</i>	C, E, L & R
Regular <i>J3/S3/D3</i>	C, E, L
Assistant <i>J4/S4/D4</i>	C

7.07 Disqualification change B and Add F.

B. Disqualification Procedures: Contestants may be disqualified by a two-thirds majority vote of the Appointed Judges for any one of the reasons listed in Sections C-~~E~~**F** below. The Chief Judge shall submit a written report to the AWSA Board of Directors regarding any such disqualification.

F. Threatening a tournament official: Making or implying a threat to an official, whether physical, verbal, legal, or otherwise, is grounds for disqualification. If the person making threats is a skier's representative, the represented skier shall be disqualified. Threats made before, during, or after a tournament could subject the person(s) involved to disqualification procedures.

11.08 Officials

F. There will be a maximum of 3 persons in the boat: driver, who normally acts as boat judge, a camera operator, and the skier's quick-release operator.

11.16 Tricking Equipment and Definitions

B. Quick-Release Operator: A skier will be allowed the option of a **one** person of his choice, excluding the official boat judge or driver, to act as a quick-release operator. The release person may not adjust or move the rope in any way to take up slack or allow extra length once the skier begins his trick run. He must hold it in one position or release it. Using the rope to intentionally aid the skier will subject the skier to disqualification. This person will be considered a part of the skier's equipment and be subject to Rule 7.07A.

15.02F1. Sanction must be submitted such that the notification of the tournament appears on the IWWF calendar for all Class R Record Capability events ~~1530~~ days prior to the tournament.

Revised Jump course diagram