

MALIBU OPEN --POLICY AND TOURNAMENT RULES 9.26.22 9pm

POLICY

- 1) **OBJECTIVE:** To Promote amateur water skiing. To display water skiing to the public local and via Webcast (Athletes, Malibu Boats, sponsors). Provide a complete site/location for the Skiers to display their talents and to allow the public to interact with the athletes. It is the responsibility of all skiers and members of The Water Ski Events LLC to be professional and to show hospitality to all on site. It also takes each of the skiers support and sponsors to make these events successful.
- 2) **ENTRY limited** to first come, first serve, PAID entries. A waiting list will be maintained manually after online registration is full
 - Slalom Men/Women -Total of 40 (split 25/15) (May change based on number in each div)
 - Jump Men/Women – Total of 16 (split 10/6) (May change based on number in each div)
 - Waitlist entries (entry form, waiver, entry fee) should be sent to: The Water Ski Events LLC Attn: Registration, 254 Bohler Dr., Evans/Augusta, GA 30809 or to the addressed in the invitation package/email.
- 3) **SEEDING**

Seeding will be from the IWSF Dynamic/Weekly Ranking List at the time the running order is issued (No later than Tuesday (Weekly Ranking) prior to the tourn).
- 4) **PRIZE MONEY:** This may change based on the money raised/expense and number of skiers in the division as determined by The Water Ski Events LLC. This will be posted on Web Site.
- 5) **CANCELLATION**
 - a) Cancellations (and potential refunds) will be issued based upon the ability to fill the slot and timing of notification to Tournament Registration via email notification to tharringtonskier@gmail.com as described below:
 - b) Greater than 45 days prior to the event = If the position for the event can be filled (after maximum entries for the event), 100% refund. A \$25 cancellation fee will be retained in all cases for refund (online fees, etc).
 - c) Less than 45 days NO refund will be given.
- 6) **SKIERS MEETING**

Thursday Skiers Meeting: There will be a mandatory briefing Thursday evening at 5:30 for all slalom skiers.
- 7) **TAX NUMBER EVERY SKIER WHO MAKES THE FINALS (who receives prize money) IS REQUIRED TO TURN IN THEIR TAX NUMBER AND SIGN A TAX FORM BEFORE SKIING.**
 - a) IF LLC or S-corporation EIN number is required, not your SSN
 - b) Acquiring an ITIN may take up to 6-8 weeks; therefore foreign skiers should start this process as soon as possible:
US Skiers: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>
Foreign Skiers: <http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/General-ITIN-Information>
 - c) All numbers must be legible.

GENERAL RULES:

- 1) **Administrative Rules** will be per AWSA Rules, all others per IWWF and the following:
- 2) **Bibs** must be worn during competition and returned after skiing. If a skier ski without a bib, the skier will be fined \$200, or scored a 0.
- 3) **Slalom Handles** = Handles will be checked after each skier round. If a handle is out of tolerance,

the skier will be scored 0

- 4) **Jump Handles** / Lines = Jump lines will be checked prior to each skier round.
- 5) **Official measurement** is metric. Therefore, the official jump distances will be metric.
- 6) **Re-rides** (slalom, jump) = Re-rides for weather related issues (wind, rain, etc.) or potential small lagoon obstacles (rollers, ducks, minor trash such as bottles, etc.) will not be given, unless requested by the official before the next contestant starts.
- 7) **Tournament stoppage** will only occur if conditions either put the safety of spectators, skiers or officials at risk (e.g. lightning or as directed by safety personnel) or as otherwise directed by The Water Ski Events LLC. (Reference Contingency Plan)
- 8) **Protests** must be registered by the skier or skier's representative (listed on the skier's representative list) within 15 minutes of occurrence and must be submitted with appropriate IWWF rule and \$250 protest fee. Skier's representatives may not include sponsor / vendor representatives or selected Malibu Open Festival officials. Skier Representative must be listed on the Skier Representative List List at the Skiers Meeting.
- 9) **Injuries** If skier qualifies for the Final Round, but is injured and is unable to ski in the finals, the injured skier will not be replaced and will receive payout as if he/she is the last finalist. The Water Ski Events LLC will provide the detail guidelines to maintain integrity to the skiers and tournament (example prize money, etc) prior to continuing.
- 10) **Run Offs** Run Off guidelines that are outlined in the remaining rules will supersede the IWSF standard.

SLALOM: QUALIFYING ROUNDS (Rd1/Rd2), and FINAL (Rd 3)

SLALOM Qualifying Round (Rd1) (25 Men/15 Women)

- 1) **Seeding for Round 1** will be from the IWSF Dynamic/Weekly Ranking List at the time the running order is issued (See Section 3 above)
- 2) **Minimum starting length:** Men=13m, Women=14.25m, (exceptions may apply for non-open skiers)
- 3) **All skiers will advance to Rd 2 and may ski in Rd 2 to advance to the FINAL.**

SLALOM Qualifying Round (Rd2)

- 4) **Seeding for Round 2** will be based upon highest/best score from Rd1. Ties will be broken based on the seeding established in Round 1 (IWSF Dynamic/Weekly Ranking List).
- 5) **Minimum starting length: Men=13m, Women=14m** (Ref Contingency Plan if any delays) (exceptions may apply for non-open skiers)
- 6) **Qualifying/Advancing to FINAL (Rd 3): (8) Men & (6) Women will advance.** This will be the skiers with the highest/best score from Round 1 and/or Round 2
- 7) **Ties to Advance to FINAL (Rd 3):**
 - a) If a tie exists (between two or more) for position(s) into the FINAL the skiers with the next highest/best score (back up score) will advance to the FINAL Round.
 - b) IF ties still exist to advance to the final, the following will be followed for Run-Off.
 - o Skiers will run off in the same order as Round 2 seeding order. Rope Length-Starting at the last completed pass per IWWF.
 - o IF a TIE still exist after the 1st run-off, Top seed skier has the choice to go first or second. (second skier must beat first out)

- 8) **Placement:** Final Placement for skiers which do not make it to Finals will be based on highest/best score from Round 1 or Round 2. Ties will remain as ties in IWWF.

SLALOM FINAL ROUND (Rd3) (8 = Men & 6 = Women)

- 9) **Seeding for FINAL ROUND:** Seeding for FINAL will be based on the highest/best score from Round 1 and/or Round 2
- a) Seeding TIES for the Final Round will be broken based on back up highest/best score from Round 1 and/or 2. IF a tie still exist, it will be based on Round 2 seeding.
- 10) **Minimum starting length for FINAL: Men=12m, Women=13m.**
- 11) IF Ties exist for placement after final round (2rd thru 8th), excluding for 1st place, will be broken by next best score in either round of prelims and then other prelim score will be used if necessary to break ties. Ties will remain as ties in Points.
- 12) **Ties** for 1st PLACE will be run off
- a) Skiers will run off in the same order as FINAL seeding order.
Rope Length-Starting at the last completed pass per IWWF.
- b) IF a TIE still exist after the 1st run-off.
- o Top seed skier has the choice to go first or second.
(second skier must beat first out)

JUMP: QUALIFYING ROUND (1), and FINALS

JUMP QUALIFYING ROUND (12 Men/6 Women)

- 1) **Seeding for Round 1** will be from the IWSF Dynamic/Weekly Ranking List at the time the running order is issued (See Section 3 above).
- 2) **Skier selection:** Skier seeding in Round 2 will be based upon best jump. If tie exist, see seeding in Round 2.

JUMP FINAL (Rd2) (12 Men & 6 Women)

- 3) **Seeding:** Seeding into Finals will be based upon best single score from Rd 1, if a tie occurred in the Round 1, it will be broken from the Round 1 seeding (IWSF Dynamic/Weekly Ranking List).
- 4) IF Ties existing for placement after final round, excluding for 1st and 2nd place, will be broken by seeding into the round for Money. Ties will remain as ties in IWWF
- 5) **Ties for 1st:** Shall be run off with 2 jumps each. Skiers will run off in the same order as FINAL seeding order. If a tie still exist, another 2 jump off in the same order until tie is broken.

CONTINGENCY PLAN

If weather event or other conditions occur during the event, schedule change will be implemented at the discretion of the CJ and The Water Ski Event LLC.