

Minutes of the IWWF World Waterski Council 11-12 January 2024 Held via Zoom.

### Present

Candido Moz	CM	WWSC Chair
Dana Garcia	DG	Pan Am WSC President
Larry Gisler	LG	Pan Am Delegate
Sergio Font	SF	Pan Am Delegate
Bruce Coburn	BC	AAO WSC President
Glen Williams	GW	AAO Delegate
Geoffrey Kee	NT	AAO Delegate
Gavin Kelly	GK	E&A Delegate
Dimos Alexopoulos	DA	E&A Delegate
Valentina Gonzales	VG	Athletes Representative
Martin Kolman	MK	Athletes Representative
Jacinta Carrol	JC	Athletes Representative

### Invited

Jose Antonio Perez Priego	JA	IWWF President
Will Bush	WB	Technical Committee
Peter Frei	PF	IWWF Treasurer

CM welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially Valentina Gonzales, just elected as skiers rep.

## 1. Damaged equipment. When does the three minutes start?

There has been some difference on the rule interpretation on when the damaged equipment time starts, when the boat reaches the skier or when the boat is at the dock, and who is in charge of the timing. After the discussion it was agreed that the following sentence will be added to the IWWF rulebook.

### 8.04: Damaged Equipment

If, between the start dock and the gate buoys on the first pass, a skier notices that his equipment is damaged, the Event Judges may grant him 3 minutes to repair or change the broken equipment and to continue competing. Once a skier has entered the slalom course on the first pass there is no time given to repair damaged equipment unless the skier has damaged his equipment during a run that leads to a re-ride (for example hitting debris or other floating object) he must be back on his skis within 3 minutes from the time the re-ride has been granted or he is not allowed to continue in the round. If the skier is not able to continue, in the case of a mandatory re-ride, the pass that brought about the re-ride is scored to the last good buoy time.

If the skier is not able to continue, in the case of an optional re-ride (and the skier is not back on his skis within 3 minutes), he is credited with the score obtained in the run that brought about the re-ride.

**The damaged equipment repair/change time starts from when the competitor is able to get from the boat onto the dock. The control of the time will be the responsibility of the boat judge.**

### 9.05: Damaged Equipment

Between the start dock and the start buoy (red) on the first pass, if a skier notices that his equipment is damaged, the Event Judges may grant him 3 minutes to repair or change the broken equipment and to continue competing.

**The damaged equipment repair/change time starts from when the competitor is able to get from the boat onto the dock. The control of the time will be the responsibility of the boat judge.**

### 10.04. Damaged Equipment

If a skier notices that his equipment is damaged after a handle throw, a pass or a jump (broken fin, binding, ski...), the Event Judges may grant him 3 minutes to repair or change the broken equipment and to continue competing.

**The damaged equipment repair/change time starts from when the competitor is able to get from the boat onto the dock. The control of the time is the responsibility of the boat judge.**

**Change unanimously approved.**

## 2. Use of the second lake during a championship for training.

Multiple lakes site: a clarification is needed on the use a competition lake, for training once the competition has started.

After having considered all the Pros and cons, WSC decide to add the following sentence to IWWF rule 2.04:

### 2.04: Control of the site

Once homologation starts, use of the site is under the authority of the Chief Judge until the completion of the competition.

**After a competition has started, the use of the homologated site(s) can no longer be used for training. The WSC may grant an exception to this rule only upon request and for valid reasons.**

**Change unanimously approved.**

## 3. Max number of scores in a weekend.

There are situations where skiers are entered in more than one Division and will ski more than 4 times in the same competition. To avoid any misunderstanding rule 2.02 will be change as follow:

### 2.02: Rounds

The maximum number of **scores/**rounds which can count for the rankings list or records is limited to 4 at any one competition - meaning consecutive days at the same site.

For L & R Homologation purposes, a competition or competitions with an allowed maximum of 4 rounds (in each of slalom, tricks and jump) must be followed by 3 whole days before the next competition can start at the same site code.

**If a competition has more than 4 rounds per event, the 4 homologated rounds need to be declared by the organiser before the beginning of the competition.**

**If a skier enters in more than one age Division and thus has more than 4 scores, he must declare before the start of the competition which 4 scores are to be considered valid for the Ranking List.**

2 Competitions of two round each meet the criteria of this rule.

## 4. Numbers of Video Challenge

There is no limitation on Video Challenges. For the same reason more than one video challenge can be requested – proposal is to limit the number of video challenge to 1 for each specific reason.

**Request not approved by majority.**

During the discussion JC proposed to not allow the same “Person” to present more than one video Challenge for the same reason, but yes for a different reason.

DG believe we are overthinking of possible scenario, and at this stage the rule doesn't need to be changed.

JC withdraw her proposal. The rule will stay as it is.

## 5. Seeding/Ranking from EMS

As this item was being discussed PF was invited to the meeting, and CM gave him the floor:

From 2024 EMS will produce the Waterski Ranking List. At the beginning it will be run in parallel to the existing one, and when finalised, we will have the following functions:

Scorer will be able to download the updated Ranking from EMS and the competition seeding too.

There will be a monthly publication of the ranking list, which will be automatically updated daily.

Daily Ranking will be difficult to be produced for the public.

However, the Scorer will be able to download any specific date Ranking and post it if necessary.

Dimitri Galeridis (CEO of Qubiteq, EMS IT Provider) propose that the Ranking, in order not to penalize the athletes, is constantly updated and without a time limit, even beyond the 30 days limit originally foreseen.

The WSC believes that in this way, one is never sure that the published Ranking is final, and this is to everyone's detriment. The time limit for submitting the competition results is 15 days, 30 days is more than

enough time to ensure that even latecomers are able to upload them, but beyond 30 days, a result can be included in the Ranking only for exceptional reasons.

When the new Ranking becomes active, the entire Ranking situation will need to be reconsidered (November and May List included).

## Rule 24 – World Ranking List

The World Ranking List is a list of the best men .....

To be eligible to be on the ranking list, a competition must post the IWWF Homologation Dossier within 15 days of the competition. This will be done by uploading the dossier on:

EMS: <https://ems.iwwf.sport/> .... competition name, menu Attachments  
and

IWSF.com web site by accessing to the following link:

<http://www.iwsftournament.com/homologation/UploadDossiers.htm>

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EMS: <https://ems.iwwf.sport/> .... competition name, menu Results

<http://www.iwsftournament.com/homologation/UploadScorebooks.htm>

**Scores uploaded more then 30 days after the competition will be added to the Ranking only in exceptional cases via the Discipline Administrator, and for valid reasons.**

### SCHEDULE AND SUBMISSION PROCESS

a) October 31 - closing date for the November List

1. November 15 - Last allowable date for scores submission for the November List
2. Nov 30 - List is published with a 30-day correction period
3. December - (30 days after initial publication) November List is finalised

b) April 30 - closing date for the May List

1. May 15 - Last allowable date for scores submission for the May List
2. May 31 - List is published with a 30-day correction period
3. June - (30 days after initial publication) May List is finalised

**Change unanimously approved.**

## 6. Qualified individuals for 2024 IWWF 35+ Worlds

CM explained that given the presence in the Ranking of a certain number of "Pro" athletes in slalom, it is necessary to make a change in the Placement Eligibility Chart, both to guarantee for the "Pros" the possibility of participating (if they wish) at the championships and to not exclude competitors who actually fall into this division but who would be excluded by the presence of these "Pros".

For the same reason, the same numerical increments must also be made in the other Rankings taken into consideration.

Proposal

		Slalom		Tricks		Jump		Overall	
		Actual	Proposed	Actual	Proposed	Actual	Proposed	Actual	Proposed
35+	Female	12	25	12	12	12	12	12	12
	Male	12	25	12	12	12	12	12	12
45+	Female	12	20	12	12	12	12	12	12
	Male	12	20	12	12	12	12	12	12
55+	Female	12	15	12	12	12	12	12	12
	Male	12	15	12	12	12	12	12	12
65+	Female	12	15	12	12	12	12	12	12
	Male	12	15	12	12	12	12	12	12

**The situation will be constantly monitored and any needed adjustment, if necessary, will be made.**

WSC agreed and the following changes will be made to rule 14.15

### 14.15: Placement Eligibility Chart

Skiers eligible to ski as Individuals at their relevant World Championships must be placed within the number shown in the charts below. If the Championships are between June and December, then the May Rankings List will be used otherwise the November list will be used.

If the date of the Championships is more than 90 days after the most recent Ranking List publication (May or November List), skiers placed on the 60 days before Weekly Waterski Ranking List will be used as per the below chart (Current Year), in addition to the May or November list, whichever is appropriate.

Current Year Ranking List	Open	U17	U21	35+	45+	55+	65+
Men Slalom	25	15	15	33	20	20	20
Women Slalom	20	15	15	33	20	20	20
Men Tricks	25	15	15	20	20	20	20
Women Tricks	20	15	15	20	20	20	20
Men Jump	25	15	15	20	20	20	20
Women Jump	20	15	15	20	20	20	20
Men Overall	15	8	8	15	15	15	15
Women Overall	15	8	8	15	15	15	15
Previous Year Ranking List	Open	U17	U21	35+	45+	55+	65+
Men Slalom	16	10	10	25	12	12	12
Women Slalom	12	10	10	25	12	12	12
Men Tricks	16	10	10	12	12	12	12
Women Tricks	12	10	10	12	12	12	12
Men Jump	16	10	10	12	12	12	12
Women Jump	12	10	10	12	12	12	12
Men Overall	8	5	5	12	12	12	12
Women Overall	8	5	5	12	12	12	12

Pro List	30 days prior the World Championships	Previous Year Final Pro Tour Leaderboard
Men Slalom	14	14
Women Slalom	10	10
Men Tricks	8	8
Women Tricks	8	8
Men Jump	12	12
Women Jump	8	8

With the exception of the Open Championships, if a skier changes his age division (Under 17 to Under 21, Open to 35+, 35+ to 45+, 45+ to 55+, etc.....) a Slalom score at 58, 55, 52 or 49 will equal to a score at 55, 52, 49 or 46, a Jump score will be accepted as it is regardless of speed/ramp height. Trick scores remain the same.

If the skier changing divisions is in the top “n” (see above) of last year's list in any event including overall, he is qualified for that event in the new division.

These skiers will be added to the above numbers shown in the chart.

**Change unanimously approved.**

## 7. Proposed rule changes for 2024 35+ IWWF Worlds

The following rule changes has been received:

- 1) 70+ category should count for Team score
- 2) Since they have now a 70+ category Team should have up to 15 skiers (at least 12) per country but still have only 5 scores to count for Team score.

### Skiers in the 2023 Ranking

	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
70+ F	6	3	3
70+ M	22	6	3
75+ F	1	3	1
75+ M	5	9	2
80+ F	0	0	0
80+ M	1	1	0
85+ F	0	0	0
85+ M	0	1	0

WSC believes this change is premature, because if we exclude slalom, the number of participants belonging to this division, the number of countries represented are small, and the effect that this could create on the team ranking, not being certain of the correct Overall formulas and the real number of athletes participating.

**Change not approved.**

- 3) 70+ should have Overall since there are skiers in every discipline. Even skiers with 2 disciplines should count with overall points

**The proposal has been accepted and the rule will be changed as per Item 9 below.**

- 4) Specific date to make it on ranking list ...and number of wild cards so countries can organize themselves early enough for training and travelling.

Ranking time frame is already covered by IWWF rule 14:15. CM and DG have worked on the qualified Individuals due to the previous year Ranking which will be posted soon.

Since we created the “+” divisions it is not easy to determine where a skier is qualified or not, only way is to scroll down the list and check if you fall within the number provided for in the table, considering only those who belong to the specific division.

We will work with the EMS developers to provide a simple way to do it.

#### 5) 70+ should have their own ranking list to see where they stand

Proposal accepted, CM will communicate to EMS developer Bob and Manù, to provide this.

#### 6) Woman ranking list 45+ should all be counted at 52km if it's the speed for 35+ Worlds ...makes it hard to find out whom is at 52 or 55.

This specification is already present in the 45+ Ranking, all scores are counted at 52k.

For example – Karen Truelove has a score of 3 at 10.75/55k. Her score on the RL is 3 at 10.75/52k. The list does not add 6 buoys- it just downgrades her score.

#### 7) Rules either same or with changes should come out early enough so skiers can start working on their performances to make it to Spain.

The WSC always tries to prepare any changes to the Rules as soon as possible in order to give athletes time to organize themselves. Any "last minute" changes are always integrative and do not limit the rules already in force.

### 8. Submitted Tricks List, by Felix Loreto

Felix Loreto proposes to remove the following from the Rulebook:

#### 9.23 After the Trick Value Chart

*The following substitutions will be allowed on declared trick runs:*

- a) A reverse turn may be indicated by the letter "R" alone
- b) SS may be used for S in trick numbers 1 & 2
- c) OB may be used for BB in all tricks where it is normally used (#5b, 11, 17, 26, 32, 40, 48)
- d) T5B may be used to indicate a RT5B when it immediately follows a T7F
- e) An R for reverse turns may precede or follow the trick code.
- f) The following variations will be allowed.

WTS for TS or RTS in #2

T7 for T7F in #12

BB for B in #'s 5f, 21, 28, 36 & 51

FLP or FL or FP for FLIP

Any transposition of the letters WTB/WTF and WBflip

*In addition to these changes and variations specifically mentioned, it is further noted that the scorer may reasonably interpret the skiers submitted list as to what he actually did as opposed to what he submitted in his written list. The principle is not to give the skier the advantage of not having to write down what his run was, but to allow for mistakes in writing down the trick codes and allowing for perhaps unforeseen variations of the trick codes without unduly penalizing the skier.*

During the discussion this item has split into 2 parts:

#### 1) Declared Trick Runs

WSC believe that in the last 10 years this rule has been used only a few times. It has become obsolete and can be removed.

**Change unanimously approved.**

#### 9.19: – Trick Lists

~~A list of declared tricks to be attempted by the skier may be required from each entrant in the trick event before the event starts. The Chief Judge and Scorer shall determine the exact time when the list must be submitted for each seed of the elimination rounds and for the final rounds. Corrections may be allowed up to one hour before the seed and the final. The trick list shall be prepared using the official code shown in the table of trick values. Reverse turns must be indicated by an R preceding the official code. In each declared trick pass, any trick, including reverses may be listed more than once and in any position in the list.~~

The intent of the requiring a list is for professional/cash prize/large spectator type competitions so that the scores can be calculated quickly and announced. The list is to inform the Judges of what tricks the skier intends to do. There is no penalty for not following the list.

A competitor who fails to submit a trick list when required shall be disqualified from that trick round. A competitor may submit a different trick list for the event finals if he so desires. The declared list will be made available to the officials at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

### 1) Judges Trick Codes

Some of the Judges when calling a tricks run do not use the entire Official code but some variation and/or abbreviation.

This will be something to discuss in the future, for the moment the following rule changes will be made:

**When calling a tricks run** the following substitutions will be allowed ~~on declared trick runs:~~

- a) A reverse turn may be indicated by the letter "R" alone
- b) SS may be used for S in trick numbers 1 & 2
- c) OB may be used for BB in all tricks where it is normally used (#5b, 11, 17, 26, 32, 40, 48)
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**Change unanimously approved.**

## 9. Minimum starting speed for 35+ finals

There has been some discussion regarding the final slalom starting speed, CM will circulate a proposal, and add it to the rule.

### Rule 18 – World 35+ Championships Rules

#### 18.01: Skiers who may participate

Skiers eligible for this competition are Men and Women in the age division listed below.

Division	Age
35+	35 years and older
45+	45 years and older
55+	55 years and older
65+	65 years and older
70+	70 years and older
75+	75 years and older
80+	80 years and older
85+	85 years and older

**All ages refer to the age of the skier on the 31st December of the previous year.**

There shall be no combination of divisions regardless of the number of competitors **with the exceptions detailed below**. Championship medals will be awarded in each division to the top three places (or the number of competitors if that is less than three) regardless of the number of competitors in the event **with the exceptions detailed below**.

For clarity: An eligible skier can compete in any one of the Age Divisions in which he/she falls.  
 (Example: a 76-year-old skier may choose to compete in any one of the 35+,45+,55+,65+,70+,75+ divisions)  
 A skier eligible or qualified in more than one of the age Divisions can compete only in one which, in all events, must be the same throughout the competition.

### 18.02: Team Selection

Each Federation may enter a Team composed of a maximum 10 skiers, with a maximum of 4 skiers in any age division and with a maximum of 3 skiers of the same sex in any age division.

Skiers not selected for their national teams may qualify to compete in the World Championships as individuals only in the relevant event(s) if they meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Ranked as per rule 14.15
- Reigning World Champion (if it falls in the same division) in any event or the overall from the previously held World Championships.

All skiers qualified as individuals must be entered by their Federation.

Skiers entering as individuals shall not have their scores count toward team standings.

**Note:** For each individual skier who ranks within an Age Division which is not their “true” Age Division, the number of skiers in Chart 14.15 will increase by “N”.

For example: a 46 y/o skier ranks 10th on the 35+ List and 8th on the 45+ list; the 35+ List eligibility will increase by 1. However, the 45+ list will not increase based on this skier.

- For team purposes, any competitor above 65 years old can be entered in the 65+ division (but to ski on the team, they must ski in the 65+ division).
- In addition to the limits set out in 18.05, any Federation can enter as many wild card competitors above 65 years old as they wish.
- The competition events for ~~70+~~, 75+, 80+ and 85+ shall be slalom, trick and jump only (**no overall**).

### Minimum number of competitors for 70+, 75+, 80+ and 85+ Age Divisions:

- To open a Division there must be a minimum of one competitor in that Division (entered and paid as of the entry deadline).
- In order to assign a title and medal, in any event, there must be at least 3 competitors.

### 18.03: Slalom starting/shortening Speed:

Division	Start speed Prelims	Start speed Final	Shortening at	Division	Start speed Prelims	Start speed Final	Shortening at
35+ Men	55/18.25	<b>55/16.00</b>	55 kph	35+ Women	52 kph	<b>55/18.25</b>	55 kph
45+ Men	52 kph	<b>55/18.25</b>	55 kph	45+ Women	49 kph	<b>52/18.25</b>	52 kph
55+ Men	46 kph	<b>49 kph</b>	55 kph	55+ Women	43 kph	<b>46 kph</b>	52 kph
65+ Men	43 kph	<b>46 kph</b>	52 kph	65+ Women	40 kph	<b>43 kph</b>	49 kph
70+ Men	43 kph	<b>46 kph</b>	52 kph	70+ Women	40 kph	<b>43 kph</b>	49 kph
75+ Men	40 kph	<b>43 kph</b>	49 kph	75+ Women	37 kph	<b>40 kph</b>	46 kph
80+ Men	40 kph	<b>43 kph</b>	49 kph	80+ Women	37 kph	<b>40 kph</b>	46 kph
85+ Men	37 kph	<b>40 kph</b>	46 kph	85+ Women	34 kph	<b>37 kph</b>	46 kph

### 18.04: Overall and Team Competition

Rule [15:04](#) applies with the following changes.

#### Replaces 15.04 c): Individual Overall Scoring Method

Each overall competitor shall be awarded in each event a certain number of overall points according to the relationship of his best score in either the preliminary round or the final round to the best score in the event during either round by a skier who is qualified as an overall skier.

The best performance in an event in either round by an overall skier shall be awarded 1000 points and be referred to as the “Best overall skiers score”. All other performances shall be calculated according to the following formulae:

**Tricks:** Skiers best event score X 1000 / Best overall Skiers score

**Slalom:** Skiers best event score X 1000 / Best overall Skiers score

35+: (score from 52/18,25 for Women - score from 55/18,25 for Men)

45+: (score from 49/18,25 for Women - score from 52/18,25 for Men)



55+: (score from 43/18,25 for Women - score from 46/18,25 for Men)

65+: (score from 40/18,25 for Women - score from 43/18,25 for Men)

**70+: (score from 40/18,25 for Women - score from 43/18,25 for Men)**

#### **Jump:**

35+ Women:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} - 7) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} - 7)$

35+ Men:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} - 20) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} - 20)$

45+ Women:  $\text{Skiers best event score} \times 1000 / \text{Best overall Skiers score}$

45+ Men:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} - 15) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} - 15)$

55+ Women:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} + 5) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} + 5)$

55+ Men:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} - 10) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} - 10)$

65+ Women:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} + 10) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} + 10)$

65+ Men:  $\text{Skiers best event score} \times 1000 / \text{Best overall Skiers score}$

**70+ Women:  $((\text{Skiers best event score} + 10) \times 1000) / (\text{Best overall Skiers score} + 10)$**

**70+ Men:  $\text{Skier best event score} \times 1000 / \text{Best overall Skiers Score}$**

A skier's overall score in Jump shall not be reduced below zero.

**To qualify for overall in the 70+ category, a competitor must ski in at least two events.**

#### **Replaces 15.04 e): Team Scoring.**

In team competition, the best 5 team scores from each event, in the preliminaries or finals, but with a maximum of 2 scores from the 8 age/sex categories (35+,45+,55+,65+, men, women) shall be summed up to obtain the team score.

The best performance in an event in the preliminary round or finals by a team skier shall be awarded 1000 points and be referred to as the "Best Team Score". All other performances shall be calculated according to the formulae shown above, substituting "Best Team Skier's Score" for "Best Overall Skier's Score". The performance by a skier who is not an official member of his Federation's team shall not be taken into consideration in the calculation of the team score.

Team scores are separate and distinct from Individual overall scores.

#### **18.05: Wild Cards**

Refer to rule [14.14](#)

### **10. Ski Line tricks (wake tricks)**

Everyone is aware that Ski Lines are wake tricks, but the actual Rule does not specify it. CM proposed to add this specification.

#### **f) Ski Line Tricks**

**Ski Line tricks must be executed over the wake**, both feet must be on the ski and pass over the line while in mid-air. The feet may pass over the line at any point during the execution of the turn. The line must be out of the water during the execution of the turn. This does not include the inadvertent hitting of the rooster tail near the boat.

**Change unanimously approved.**

### **11. Rule 14:12 Entry and ITE**

Dimitri Galeridis (CEO of Qubiteq, EMS IT Provider), has promised that by the end of March, both the ITE and the Entries including payment will be possible through EMS. The WSC has decided to wait until the end of February and if EMS is not ready we will proceed as we did last year.

### **12. Hydrogate position in an event**

LG proposed that the hydrogate intermediate position in tricks or jump (2 to 3 3 to 4 etc) should be under the skiers responsibility and no re-ride should be awarded for the wrong setting as the difference is minimal.

**The proposal has not been approved.**

### 13. WWS scoring software presentation

Following the Orlando meeting, CM has asked David Grey, if he was ready to make the requested presentation of his scoring software.

David Gray agreed to make a presentation and he was invited to do so.

However, some misunderstandings had arisen between David Gray, and the newly appointed IWWF IT Steering Committee, and JA had asked David Grey not to present anything to the WSC for the moment.

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On Wed, Jan 10, 2024 at 3:51 PM president@iwwfed.com <president@iwwfed.com> wrote:

David,

As stated before, I asked you not to approach any councils until after we run your proposal at the IT Committee.

I advise please not to present anything to the Waterski council as of now.

Muchas Gracias,  
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PF, has illustrated the following slide:

**IWWF**  
International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation

## EMS Steering Committee renamed IWWF IT Steering Committee

**Members (same as EMS Steering Committee)**  
Jose Antonio Perez Priego (President), Paul Fong, Peter Frei, Morten Froulund

**Role of the IWWF IT Steering Committee**

- Approve all IWWF IT projects in the interest of all IWWF disciplines and in coordination with the EMS Team and World Discipline Councils
- Approve IT budgets allocated to these projects
- Approve the technical and functional concepts of the systems to be developed and check the compatibility with the IWWF EMS Event Management System
- In respect of IWWF Privacy Policy, the IWWF ownership of the data must be confirmed and the system being the exclusive property of the IWWF
- Establish the contracts with the IT provider proposed for specific projects
- Follow-up the progress of the projects

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From which it is clear that any project must first pass through the IT Steering Committee and then, if they deem it valid, elaborated with the Councils.

After a long discussion where all those present has the opportunity to defend his/her positions, the majority of the WSC believe that the Councils in general, being the technicians of the relevant sector, must at least be able to see and evaluate whether the new technical and organizational proposals, presented by any subject, which lead to the improvement of the respective discipline, are interesting or not. Once the Council deems them valid, they must be submitted to the IWWF for approval and not vice versa.

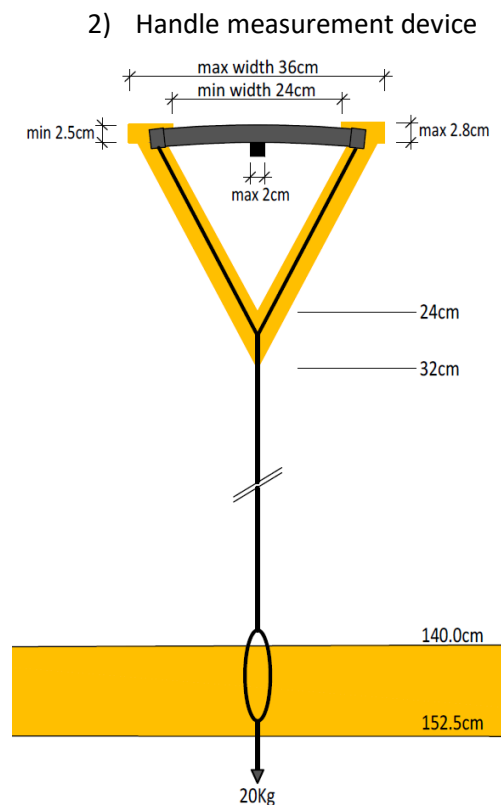
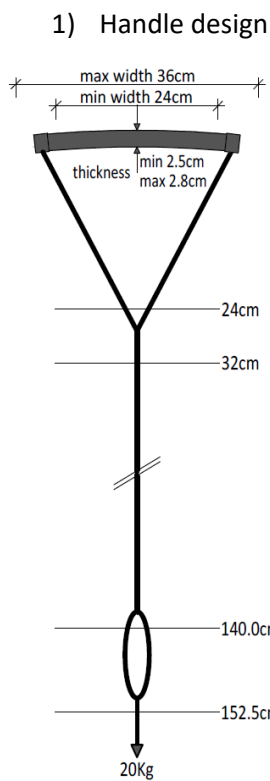
It is not logical to submit projects to IWWF for approval, that the Commissions do not consider valid, or that need to be changed.

The relationship between the IT Steering Committee and the WSC needs to be clarified. Something to think about could be that when a new project is to be presented to the WSC, a member of the IT Steering Committee will be invited to the presentation as the IWWF advisor.

Meeting close on January 12 at 02:10 CET

**Subsequent to the WSC meeting, the following rule changes have been submitted, by the Tech Committee for approval:**

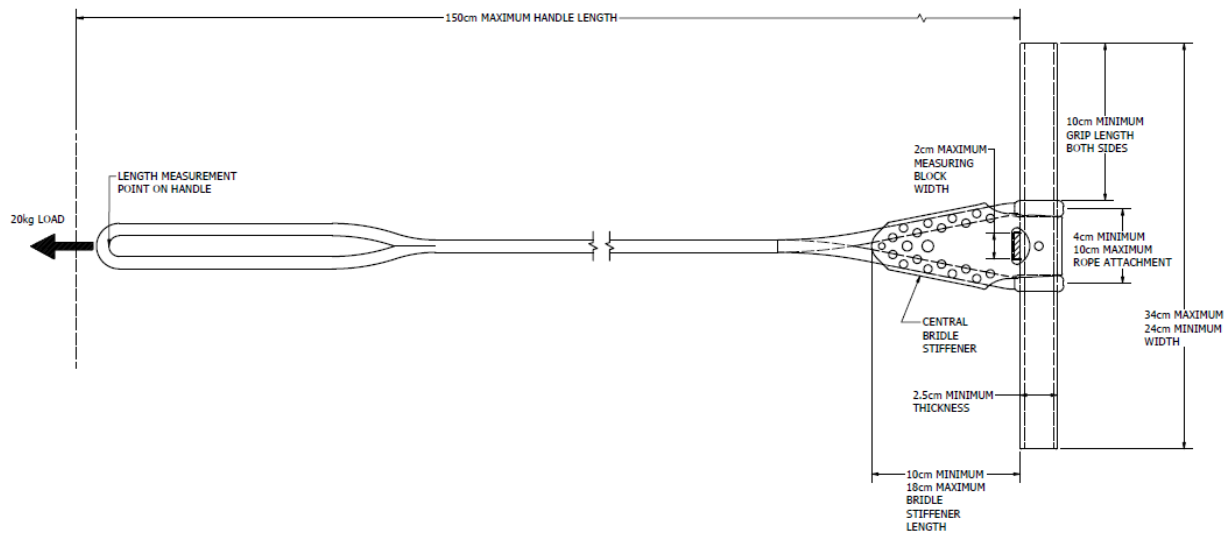
- d) Competition supplied handles shall be made of a material with a non-slip surface or coating, have no sharp edges or projections, and have protective end caps.
- The attaching ropes must in all cases go through the handle and must be attached so there is no possibility of movement between the rope and handle when in use. The handle shall be attached to the rope so that it is perpendicular to the direction of the line.
- The minimum certified breaking load of the handle shall be 408kg applied at the rate of 290kg for a minute at two load points 9cm apart at the centre of the handle with the ends supported at the rope holes.
- Outside diameter shall be between 2.50cm to 2.80cm
  - Width shall be between 24cm and 36cm.
  - The length of the handle measured from the inside surface of the attaching loop furthest from the handle to the inside edge of the handle must be 1.50m +2.5cm / -10.0cm, length shall be measured using a 2cm block at the inside edge at the centre. See picture 2 below.
- Competition supplied handle must be similar in design and construction to picture 1 below.



### 5.11: Skier Supplied Handle in Slalom and Jump

For Slalom and Jump each competitor may furnish his own handle. **The skier supplied handle must conform to Rule 5.09 other than the outside diameter. For a skier supplied handle, there is no minimum or maximum outside diameter. The skier shall notify** the Jetty Marshall, at least three skiers before his turn, of his wish to change handles. It's the skier's responsibility that the handle is in tolerance **before and remains within tolerance** after skiing, [IWWF rule 8 a](#)). **The handle must comply with all rules and safety requirements.**

**T-Handle:** For a 24-month trial purposes, a skier supplied T-Handle may be used which is constructed similar to the diagram below. The T-Handle must have a bridle stiffening piece to ensure there is no possibility of movement between the stiffener and the handle when in use. The length shall not exceed 1.50m after skiing when measured.



Change unanimously approved by postal ballot.