



WORLD WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunset Lakes - Lake County, Florida USA

7th to 15th October 2023
Bulletin No 1



1. WELCOME

The International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation is honoured to invite all affiliated National Federations to participate in the 2023 IWWF World Waterski Championships in Lake County, Florida USA from 7th to 15th October 2023.

2. ORGANISING COMMITTEE

2.1 [International Waterski & Waterski Federation \(IWWF\)](#) – Organiser and Sanctioning Body

- President – Jose Antonio Perez Priego – president@iwwfed.com
- Executive Director - Paul Fong – executive@iwwfed.com (event-related matters & media)
- Chairman, IWWF Waterski Council – Mr Candido Moz - mozc@live.com (registration & technical matters, ie. rules, scheduling of official familiarisation, starting orders, results, etc)
- Chairman, IWWF Sports Business - Colin Hart – sportsbusiness@iwwf.sport (sponsorship, vendor village, private tents)
- Secretary General – Louis Polomé– secgen@iwwf.sport (World Congress, Invitations)

2.2 [Jack Travers Waterski School](#) – Venue Owners & Event Managers

Lelani Travers - h2oskijacks@aol.com

2.3 [USA Water Ski & Wake Sports](#) – Host Federation

Nate Boudreaux - Executive Director – nboudreaux@usawaterski.org

3. EVENT VENUE

[JACK TRAVERS WATERSKI SCHOOL](#)

[Directions](#)

- Competition
- Training
- Official Familiarisation
- Accreditation
- Team Managers' Meetings
- Individual Medal Ceremonies



4. OFFICIAL TOW BOAT

Official familiarisation and competition will be pulled behind a 2023 [Ski Nautique](#)



5. OFFICIAL TOW ROPE

[Masterline](#) will be the official tow rope during the event and official familiarisation.

6. WEATHER

The average temperature in Orlando in October is 29°C / 84°F

7. TRAVEL INFORMATION

7.1 TRAVEL to the USA

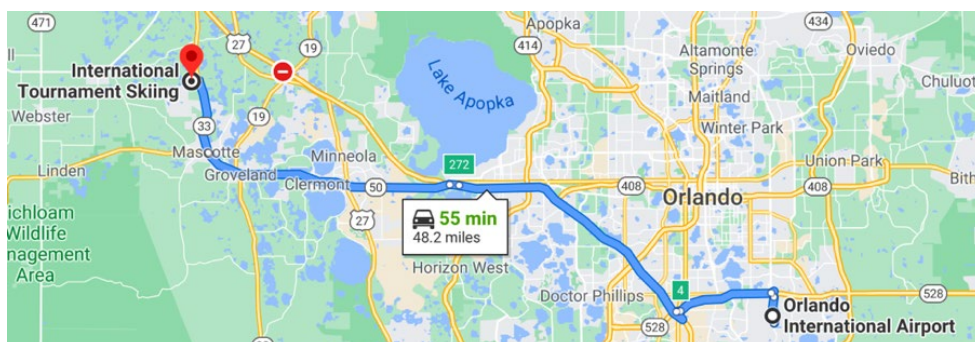
Non-U.S. travellers seeking to enter the United States via land ports of entry and ferry terminals at the U.S.-Mexico and U.S.-Canada borders are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and provide proof of vaccination upon request – [link to general travel information](#)

7.2 VISA

Your passport must be valid for at least six months beyond your period of stay in the United States (unless exempt by country-specific agreements). Each individual who needs a visa must submit a separate application, including any family members listed in your passport. Click [here](#) for more information.

7.3 Airport - [Orlando International Airport \(MCO\)](#)

Located 76 km (48.2 miles) from Jack Travers Waterski School, Orlando International Airport is a major public airport.

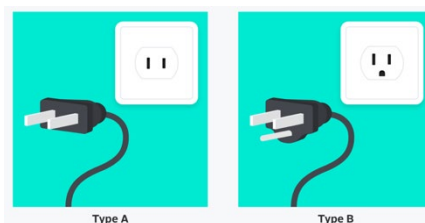


7.4 Currency

The local currency is the US Dollars (USD). Credit and debit cards are widely accepted.

7.5 Electricity

Electricity supply in the USA is 120 volts at 60 Hz. There are two associated plug types, types A



and B. Plug type A is the plug which has two flat parallel pins and plug type B is the plug which has two flat parallel pins and a grounding pin. It is advisable to bring a plug adapter with you, though most hotels can supply adapters for other kinds of plugs and they can be bought locally.

7.6 Lake County

Located a short drive directly west of Orlando, Lake County is a premier sports destination. Whether you are hosting a championship event or team training, Lake County's natural resources and top-notch facilities welcome competitors of all levels. Nestled among the rolling hills of Central Florida, there's something for everyone. The county is home to more than 1,000 lakes, making it the perfect host for watersports of all kinds. The Harris Chain of Lakes offers some of the best fresh-water fishing in the state. Check out the City of Clermont, "Choice of Champions," for Olympic-level amenities at the National Training Centre, Waterfront Park and Clermont Boathouse. Tavares is home to Hickory Point Beach with 21 lighted sand volleyball courts and The Big House with 9 basketball and 16 indoor volleyball courts. Lake County is truly Florida's Lakeside Escape with multiple waterfront downtowns and rich history to discover. The City of Mount Dora has an array of small businesses, antique shops and cuisine from around the world. Catch a seaplane ride in Downtown Tavares to Downtown Clermont and "lake hop" to the best breweries around. There's so much more to discover and do in Lake County. Learn more at www.DiscoverLakeFL.com.

8. TRANSPORTATION

Transportation will **NOT** be provided so it is the responsibility of each team to arrange their own transportation to Jack Travers Waterski School from and to their chosen hotel for each day of the competition.

8.1 Car Rentals

All major car rental companies can be found at Orlando International Airports. Participants are encouraged to rent a car so they are mobile to travel to the event venue and visit the sights of Lake County. All major credit cards are accepted.

8.2 Airport Transfers

Return airport transfers from the Orlando International Airport (MCO) to the respective hotels for teams are available by taxi or can be arranged through the following:

- [Orlando Transfers](http://OrlandoTransfers.net) – E-Mail: sergio@orlandotransfer.net / Tel: +1 1.407-433-5599
- [Trans Cour Limo Service](http://TransCourLimoService.com) - Tel: +1 407-294-1159



8.3 Ground Transportation

Getting around Lake County is easy using taxis or [Uber](#).

8.4 Van Rentals

[Carls Van Rentals](#)

Attention: Heather <HeatherC@carlsvanrentals.com>

1-800-565-5211

9 HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Participants are encouraged to stay at hotels in [Lake County](#)

Please click the this [link](#) for hotel information.

10 INSURANCE

10.1 USA Water Ski & Wake Sports Insurance

All athletes are required to sign up as members of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports for insurance purpose before they are permitted to compete. There will be NO cost for the membership. Federations should ensure their athletes are signed up **BEFORE** official familiarisation begins. An online link will be provided in Bulletin 2.

10.2 Travel Insurance

The IWWF Bye-Law 16.1 states:

It is the responsibility of each Federation when entering competitors for a World Titled Event to ensure that its competitors are adequately insured for personal accident, permanent disabilities, death and **medical expenses**. Please note that the insurance provided by the membership to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports does **NOT** include medical expenses.

11 OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

11.1 Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony will be held at [Victory Pointe in Clermont](#) on Tuesday 10th October 2023 starting 6:00 pm. Teams should be dressed in team track suits and be assembled by 5:30 pm. There will be a reception after the Opening Ceremony with free admission for Athletes, one Team Official per team (or two Team Officials for teams of 8 or more athletes), Technical Officials and IWWF Executive Board Members.



11.2 Closing Ceremony & Final Night Banquet

The closing ceremony and final night banquet will be held at [Clermont Arts & Recreation Centre \(directions\)](#) on Sunday 15th October 2023 starting 6:00 pm. Admission to the Closing Ceremony & Final Night Banquet will be free for Athletes, one Team Official per Team (or two Team Officials for teams of 8 or more athletes), Technical Officials and IWWF Executive Board Members. The cost for all others to attend and deadline to purchase tickets will be announced in Bulletin 2.

11.3 IWWF World Congress

The IWWF World Congress will be held on Thursday 12th October at the [Clermont Arts & Recreation Centre \(directions\)](#). Start time 7:00 pm. All Federations wishing to be present must submit their Delegate Appointment PRIOR to 5th October 2023. The forms will be sent in due course.

12. EVENT RULES

All Federations, team managers, team captains and riders should be familiar with the current [IWWF World Waterski Rules](#).

13. IWWF LICENSE

Following an agreement by the IWWF World Congress held in 2019, the IWWF Executive Board approved the establishment of an IWWF License fee from 2021 where athletes wishing to compete in Ranking List / 1 to 6 Star competitions (including IWWF World titled events) in each Sports Division of the IWWF are required to hold an IWWF License. It is requested that Federations ensure that all their athletes hold a valid [IWWF License](#) in order to participate in the 2023 IWWF World Waterski Championships.

14. REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS (WATERSKI ATHLETES) IN EMS

The registration of a skier's participation in EMS has to be done by an EMS Federation Administrator as follows:

1. EMS Federation Administrator has to login to EMS.
2. Go to the Competitions menu and set the Competition Code [23IWWF13](#) and the Country "USA" in the Search Filters.
3. Select the Code [23IWWF13](#) competition "2023 IWWF World Waterski Championships".
4. Scroll down to the Participations section and click the "New participation" button to register the Athletes.
5. Enter the Name of the Athlete in the Search box and click on the loop sign to the right.



6. Register the Category in Competition, the Event and the Entry Type.
7. Click on the blue "+Add" button and the participant will be registered.

Repeat Steps 5 to 7 for any additional participants

15 TRAINING & OFFICIAL FAMILIARISATION

15.1 Training

Training will be available on Sunset Lake and Lake Sarah between **2nd October and 6th October 2023** and on Lake Grace throughout the competition at a cost of US\$300.00 per hour, and with a minimum booking of 15 minutes. Training will be based on a first come first serve but also consideration will be given for it to be distributed evenly based on total entries.

The deadline for training request is **1st September 2023**. Please submit your training requests by e-mail: h2oskijacks@aol.com. Training should be paid by bank transfer to Jack Travers Waterski School. (Bank details for payments are listed in 15.3 below).

Payment is due 1st September 2023 and a schedule will be posted by 15th September 2023. After the final schedule is released, all available slots will be opened on a first come first serve basis. If your Federation would like to bring its own driver, please contact h2oskijacks@aol.com with that request.

- Lake Sarah will be the competition lake for Trick.
- Sunset Lake will be the competition lake of Slalom and Jump.
- Lake Grace will be available for training throughout the competition for Slalom, Trick and Jump.

15.2 Official Familiarisation

The last two or three days immediately before the Championships will be reserved and used for Official Familiarisation. This will be organised so that each skier who has paid shall be allocated either a set number of passes and/or a certain amount of time at the discretion of the Chief Judge based on the principle that every skier shall receive an equal opportunity for familiarisation.

Slalom skiers will receive	–	4 passes or 6 minutes whichever is less
Trick skiers will receive	–	2 passes or 5 minutes whichever is less
Jump skier will receive	–	3 passes or 6 minutes whichever is less



After closure of the registration, 60 days before the Championships (please ref. to rule 14.12 for the specific deadline), each entered competitor in the IWWF Event Management System (EMS) will be allocated Official Familiarisation time as specified above.

45 days before the scheduled start of the event, the Organiser (in consultation with the Chief Judge, whose decision shall be final) shall announce the Official Familiarisation schedule (including the allowed time). If a Federation does not want to take part in the Official Familiarisation, it must notify the Organisers and the Chief Judge as soon as possible.

The order for familiarisation will be based on the team results from the previous IWWF World Championships with the last placed team athletes going first, and shall be grouped by events, i.e., slalom familiarisation, trick familiarisation and jump familiarisation (by jump height). They will be grouped together. Any athlete whose time has not been paid for at least 30 days before the scheduled start of the event, or who is not ready to ski in accordance with the schedule, will lose their official familiarisation time.

Summary Table:

Scheduled Start of the Championships	October, 10	Description
60 days before	August 11	deadline to enter participants in the EMS as per rule 14.12.
45 days before	August 26	deadline for publishing familiarisation schedule by Organiser
30 days before	September 10	deadline for familiarisation payment.

The Chief Judge shall have the discretion to change the start time of team's familiarisation based on extraordinary circumstances.

During the Official Familiarisation period, the Chief Judge may allocate any available site familiarisation times, but only to skiers who have not already used it or do not have time allocated.

15.3 Bank details for Training and Official Familiarisation payments

The Official Familiarisation rate is USD\$30.00 per set and should be paid by bank transfer by 10th September 2023 to Jack Travers Waterski School who will provide bank details. **Please indicate "Name of Country" and "Official Familiarisation 2023 IWWF World Waterski Championships" when making your transfer. Remitting parties are responsible for ALL bank charges at both ends. Where bank charges have been deducted, Federations/Skiers will be required to make good any shortfall at registration.*



16. ENTRY & ADMINISTRATION:

16.1 Intention to Enter (ITE)

Each Federation shall certify to the Chairman of the World Waterski Council and to the organising committee, not later than 90 days before the scheduled start of the first event of the World Championships, its intent to compete using this [link](#).

Any Federation not meeting this requirement will not be allowed to compete until they pay a fine of US\$200 to the IWWF.

To be accepted, the "Intention to Enter" must be accompanied by a deposit amounting to US\$50 for each athlete entered on the form. (For instance: 3 athletes: 3xUS\$50 = US\$150). This payment must follow the process described in 16.04 below.

Each US\$50 will be deducted from the entry fee to be paid later for each athlete. If a Federation subsequently enters less athletes than declared on the ITE, the fee of US\$50 paid at that time is forfeited for each missing athlete. The payment must follow the process described in the Competition Bulletins. Any Federation may enter up to two more athletes than originally declared on the "Intention to Enter" form with no penalty, and for which the full entry fee is required. If more than two additional athletes participate, then a levy of US\$50 per additional athlete will be payable in addition to the full entry fee. This does not include those skiers who may additionally qualify through the Weekly Ranking List or Pro Ranking if applicable.

16.2 Official Entry and Entry Fee

The Entry Fee for the 2023 IWWF World Waterski Championships is **US\$390.00 per competitor** regardless of discipline.

The deadline for each Federation to declare, through EMS, the names of the members of its team, the events each will enter, the ratings of each skier, as well as the names of the official reserves, is 60 days before the scheduled start of the first event of the World Championships.

An entry is considered complete when the Skier's name is registered in EMS and the full Entry Fee Payment has been received. The entry fee payment must follow the process described in 16.3 below.

Any skier entered as a Wild Card or Individual is also to be considered as a TEAM reserve.



The 60 days deadline does not include those skiers who may additionally qualify through the Weekly or the Pro Ranking, if applicable, for those skiers the following deadline apply:

- 1) The deadline to enter skiers who qualify under the Weekly Ranking is 30 days before the championships.
- 2) The deadline to enter skiers who qualify under the Pro Ranking is 15 days before the Championships.

Any Federation not meeting this requirement will not be allowed to compete until the Federation pays a fine to the IWWF Representative at the Championships, of US\$10 per skier per day after the 60 days deadline for each skier not officially entered.

If a skier is not registered on EMS prior to the 48 hours before the start of the first event, the Federation's skier's places in the draw shall be determined by the Chief Judge without reference to their qualifying scores.

2 days before the start of the first event, the entry lists shall be closed at noon (12:00) and thereafter the order of competitors entered and paid will be finalised and posted.

The Scorer in consultation with the Chief Judge should post Preliminary Running Orders 7 days preceding the start of events with the orders clearly marked as "Preliminary and subject to change". No change in this order is allowed after noon of the 2 days preceding the start of events except that a team representative may:

- 1) Withdraw a skier from the competition.
- 2) Replace an injured skier with a qualified official reserve from the same team with the authority of the Chief Judge and before the start of the first event, that is, before the first skier taking part in the first event has started,
- 3) The substitute skier shall start first in the series in which he is qualified unless the draw has not yet been completed.

Team or individual athletes not showing up: In the event a team or individual athletes (for whom their Federation has submitted a competition entry), fail to show up for a competition, their entry fee shall still be payable in full, unless a valid written excuse is received by 12 noon, 2 days before the start of the competition.



A valid excuse may include a sickness certificate or a certificated injury and should be considered and agreed as valid by the IWWF Representative at the Championships.

Scheduled Start of the Championships	October, 10	Description
90 days before	July, 12	Deadline for submitting the ITE (including payment of US\$50 per registered skier)
60 days before	August, 11	Deadline to enter participants (Team member, Individual, Wild Card) in the EMS (including payment of full Entry fee per registered skier)
30 days before	September, 10	Deadline to enter skiers who qualify under the Weekly Ranking List, via EMS. (Including payment of full Entry fee per registered skier)
15 days before	September 25	Deadline to enter skiers who qualify under the Pro Ranking, via EMS. (Including payment of full Entry fee per registered skier)
12 noon, 2 days before	October 8	Closure of the Entry List

All fines have to be paid on-site to the IWWF Representative at the Championships. No skiers will be allowed to start if any due fine is not paid.

16.3 Bank details for ITE and Official Entry payments – Payable to IWWF Payments in US Dollars Only:

Bank Name: CREDIT SUISSE, Paradeplatz8, 8070 Zurich / Switzerland
 Account Name (Beneficiary): International Waterski & Waterski Federation
 Beneficiary's Address: P.O. Box 18, Im Blatt D6, CH-6345 Neuheim, Switzerland
 Account Number: 452-865-72-12
 Clearing number: 4835
 Swift Code/BIC: CRESCHZZ80A
 IBAN: CH97 0483 5045 2865 7201 2

** Please indicate "Name of Country" and "Entry Fee 2023 IWWF World Waterski Championships" when making your transfer. Remitting parties are responsible for ALL bank charges at both ends. Where bank charges have been deducted, Federations/Skiers will be required to make good any shortfall at registration.*

16.4 Wild Cards

Each Federation may enter 5 additional single event wild card skiers. The skiers must meet the eligibility rules as defined in IWWF Waterski rule 14:13. A Federation's Wild Cards cannot be transferred to another Federation. For the purpose of this rule Overall is not considered to be a single event.



17. PAYMENT SUMMARY & DUE DATES

Item	Due Date	Payee
Entry Fees	11 th August 2023	IWWF
Training	1 st September 2023	Jack Travers Waterski School
Official Familiarisation	10 th September 2023	Jack Travers Waterski School

18. LUNCHEES ON SITE

Food trucks will be available throughout the event. Lunch will be provided free of charge to Athletes and one Team Official per team (or two Team Officials for teams of 8 or more athletes) on competition days from 10th to 15th October 2023.

19. DOPING CONTROL

In accordance with the IWWF Anti-Doping Rules, Doping controls will be conducted during the competition. By entering this competition, all athletes agree to be subject to doping control. Information about the IWWF Anti-Doping program, the current IWWF AD Rules and links to the list of banned substances can be accessed on the following [link](#).

20. SAFE SPORT

20.1 IWWF SAFE SPORT POLICY & SAFEGUARDING REGULATIONS

The IWWF takes safeguarding extremely seriously and is committed to ensuring that everyone who attends the championships, whether athletes, officials or volunteers are able to operate in a safe environment, free from abuse and the risk of harm. It is a condition of participation that all attendees familiarise themselves and comply with the [IWWF Safeguarding Regulations](#) which are available at <https://iwwf.sport/safe-sport-information/>

20.2 USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS (USA-WSWS) SAFE SPORT POLICY

As a USA-WSWS sanctioned competition held in the U.S., all event participants must acknowledge that they have read and will follow the [Safe Sport Handbook](#), adhere to the MAAPP (Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies) protocol found in the USA-WSWS Safe Sport Handbook, and report any suspected or alleged MAAPP violations. No event participant, under any circumstance, should be currently listed on the USA-WSWS [Suspended Members List](#). All participating IWWF-affiliated National Federations must assist the local organizing committee (LOC) in being compliant with the Safe Sport Sanctioned Event Expectations.



21. SCHEDULES

21.1. Tentative Schedule Of Events – Competition

Saturday, 7 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official Familiarisation
Sunday, 8 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official Familiarisation
Monday, 9 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official Familiarisation • Team Manager's Meeting (evening)
Tuesday, 10 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Round • Opening Ceremony (evening)
Wednesday, 11 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Round
Thursday, 12 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary round
Friday, 13 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Round
Saturday, 14 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Round • Finals • Individual Medal Ceremonies (after event)
Sunday, 15 October 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finals • Individual Medal Ceremonies (after event) • Final Night Banquet & Individual & Team Overall Medal Ceremonies (evening)

* a detailed schedule of events will be posted after intents to enter are submitted

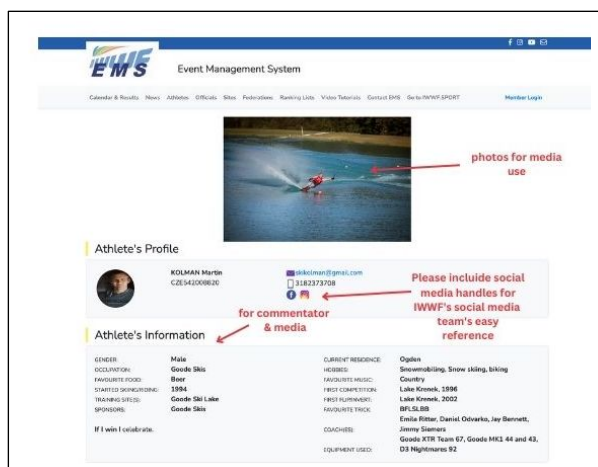
22.2 Meetings & Functions

Date	Meetings / Official Functions
Tuesday, 10 th October 2023	Opening Ceremony 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Victory Pointe, Clermont, Florida
Thursday 12 th October 2023	IWWF World Congress 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm Clermont Arts & Recreation Centre (directions)
Friday, 13 th October 2023	International Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm Venue TBA
Sunday 15 th October 2023	Final Night Banquet & Closing Ceremony 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm Clermont Arts & Recreation Centre (directions)



23 ATHLETE INFORMATION FOR COMMENTATOR & MEDIA

Please request your athletes to log into [IWWF's EMS](#) to fill in / update their profiles (accomplishments, sponsors, **social media handles**, other interesting information in the optional fields, etc. so the event commentator has information easily accessible to communicate to spectators present at the event venue and online via live stream. Athletes should also upload their photos for the media. **IMPORTANT:** To be able to complete/populate their profiles, the Athletes must be EMS USERS, i.e. they must be invited by their respective Federations to become EMS users and have accepted this invitation. Athletes should contact their respective Federations if they are not active / confirmed EMS users. Example – click [here](#)



24 FLAGS & ANTHEMS

Each team must bring an additional flag of their country. (Size approximately 100x150cm) All teams should send (MP3) of their national anthem or confirm the Anthem is on Spotify. If not on Spotify please email MP3 to h2oskijsacks@aol.com. (Subject line, Your Country/ Anthem)

25. MEDIA

25.1 [Web Site](#)

25.2 Social Media

Please use the following hashtags:

#waterskiworlds2023#iwwf#skinautique #sharemylake, #discoverlakecountyfl and tag [@iwwfed](#) [@discoverlakecountyfl](#) [@greaterorlsport](#)[@nautiqueboats](#) [@jacksunsetlakes](#) [@usaws](#) [@masterlineusa](#)

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/iwwfed
- Instagram: www.instagram.com/iwwfed/

