

2018 IWWF World 35+ Water Ski Championships Selection Criteria

Key Information

Location: San Bernardo, Chile
Dates: November 26 to December 2, 2018

Tournament Overview

The 2018 IWWF World 35+ Water Ski Championships are open to all senior (age 35+) members of all IWWF federations.

The age categories for the Championships are:

- (a) 35 years of age and older;
- (b) 45 years of age and older;
- (c) 55 years of age and older; and
- (d) 65 years of age and older.

All ages are as of December 31, 2017.

Canada may enter:

- (a) 10 athletes whose scores will be used to determine Canada's team placement (10 Team Score Athletes);
- (b) five athletes who are at least 35 years of age on December 31, 2017 (Five 35+ Athletes); and
- (c) five athletes who are at least 65 years of age on December 31, 2017 (Five 65+ Athletes).

In addition, individual Canadian athletes may qualify to enter the Championships under the IWWF individual skier entry criteria (Individual Entry Athletes).

The 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes will be selected using the criteria in this document.

This is a self-funded event. All 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes, Five 65+ Athletes and Individual Entry Athletes will be required to pay all of their expenses (e.g. travel, accommodation, meals and entry fees) and will be required to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

Eligibility

To be eligible for selection, an athlete must:

- (a) be a member in good standing of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC);
- (b) be eligible to represent Canada at an IWWF event;
- (c) be 35 years of age or older on December 31, 2017; and
- (d) meet the following IWWF minimum performance standard for each event to be entered.

35+ Division Minimum Performance Standards			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Male	6 @ 55/18.25 m	2,500 points	29.0 m
Female	6 @ 52/18.25 m	2,000 points	22.0 m

45+ Division Minimum Performance Standards			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Male	6 @ 52/18.25 m	2,000 points	26 m
Female	6 @ 49/18.25 m	1,500 points	20 m

55+ Division Minimum Performance Standards			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Male	6 @ 46/18.25 m	1,000 points	20 m
Female	6 @ 43/18.25 m	800 points	15 m

65+ Division Minimum Performance Standards			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Male	6 @ 43/18.25	800 points	12 m
Female	6 @ 40kph/18.25	600 points	10 m

It is recommended that athletes interested in being selected submit the attached Declaration of Intent to Participate by June 1, 2018.

Goals

The goals for this competition are:

- (a) to maximize Canada's team placement;
- (b) to maximize the individual placement of the Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes; and
- (c) to ensure that all Individual Entry Athletes are included in the Canadian Team representing Canada at the Championships.

Selection Overall Scores

The average of each athlete's best two scores in each event from record capability tournaments held between August 10, 2017 and October 8, 2018 will be calculated. Each score must be from a separate tournament, a different site and a tournament the results from which qualify for the IWWF's World Ranking Lists.

Each athlete's two score average in each event will be converted to overall points using the IWWF overall formulas set out below to determine the athlete's Event Selection Score for that event.

The 1,000 point score to be used for each event in the overall formulas will be the average of the scores of the top three athletes in each event listed on the IWWF World Rankings List whose scores the NTC anticipates will be used in determining the other countries' team scores at the Championships. These average scores will be set out in the Benchmark Score tables below.

The NTC may change the Benchmark Scores if the athletes from the other participating countries who enter the Championships are different from the athletes the NTC anticipates.

When the Benchmark Scores are determined (and if any scores are later changed), the Benchmark Score tables below will be updated and a revised 2018 IWWF World 35+ Water Ski Championships Selection Criteria will be posted on the WSWC website.

Selection of 10 Team Score Athletes

Team placement at the Championships will be determined using the five highest overall scores in each event with a maximum of two scores from any one male or female age category of the 10 athletes named by each country for purposes of determining the team score. Team placement will be based on preliminary round scores only.

Selection Parameters

The following parameters will be used to select the 10 Team Score Athletes:

- (a) the fifth highest Event Selection Score of the previously selected athletes will be used to determine if an unselected athlete's Event Selection Score will improve the team score; and
- (b) the NTC may select an athlete to provide a backup score even if:
 - (i) that athlete's Event Selection Score is lower; and
 - (ii) another unselected athlete's Event Selection Score is higher;than the fifth highest Event Selection Score of the previously selected athletes.

Selection of Five 35+ Athletes

The Five 35+ Athletes will be those athletes who are most likely to place the highest in their respective age category and event at the Championships.

Selection Parameters

The following parameters will be used to select the Five 35+ Athletes:

- (a) the 10 Team Score Athletes are not eligible for selection;
- (b) the five athletes who have the highest Event Selection Score in an event will be selected as the Five 35+ Athletes;
- (c) if two or more athletes have the same Event Selection Score, those athletes will be ranked using each athlete's third highest event score converted to overall points using the IWWF overall formulas and the Benchmark Scores; if the overall points from the athletes' third highest event scores are still equal, the process will be repeated using each athlete's fourth highest event score

converted to overall points, then each athlete's fifth highest event score converted to overall points, and so on until the tie is broken; and

- (d) the scores to be used for tie breaking purposes in subsection (c) must be from a record capability tournament held between August 10, 2017 and October 8, 2018 the results from which qualify for the IWWF's World Ranking Lists and may be from the same tournament(s) and site(s) at which the athletes' best two event scores were achieved.

Selection of Five 65+ Athletes

The Five 65+ Athletes will be those athletes who are most likely to place the highest in their respective events at the Championships.

Selection Parameters

The following parameters will be used to select the Five 65+ Athletes:

- (a) athletes must be 65 years of age or older on December 31, 2017;
- (b) the 10 Team Score Athletes and Five 35+ Athletes are not eligible for selection;
- (c) the five athletes who have the highest Event Selection Score in an event will be selected as the Five 65+ Athletes;
- (d) if two or more athletes have the same Event Selection Score, those athletes will be ranked using each athlete's third highest event score converted to overall points using the IWWF overall formulas and the Benchmark Scores; if the overall points from the athletes' third highest event scores are still equal, the process will be repeated using each athlete's fourth highest event score converted to overall points, then each athlete's fifth highest event score converted to overall points, and so on until the tie is broken; and
- (e) the scores to be used for tie breaking purposes in subsection (d) must be from a record capability tournament held between August 10, 2017 and October 8, 2018 the results from which qualify for the IWWF's World Ranking Lists and may be from the same tournament(s) and site(s) at which the athletes' best two event scores were achieved.

Individual Entry Athletes

All Individual Entry Athletes will also represent Canada at the Championships and will be part of the Canadian Team. Athletes may review the IWWF individual skier entry criteria on the IWWF web site.

Selection of Alternates

The NTC may name up to two alternates to the 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes based on the selection parameters above. The alternates may be selected at the time the 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes are selected or may be selected at a later date.

Competition Readiness

The NTC may disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection or remove an athlete after

selection if, due to illness, injury, lack of physical fitness or other reason affecting the athlete's ability to perform, the NTC believes it unlikely that the athlete will be able to perform at the Championships at a level consistent with the scores upon which the selection of the athlete would be or was based. The NTC shall advise the affected athlete of his decision.

Code of Conduct

The WSWC High Performance Committee (HPC) may disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes or remove an athlete after selection based on past or current behavior of the athlete that is inconsistent with WSWC's Code of Conduct. A copy of the Code of Conduct is available from WSWC upon request. The HPC shall advise the affected athlete of its decision.

Participant Contract

Each of the 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes must sign an Event Team Athlete Agreement which will obligate the athlete to adhere to all WSWC rules and regulations, including WSWC's Code of Conduct.

Results Submission Deadline

A copy of results for the entire tournament or a ratings sheet, in either case signed by the Chief of Competition or Chief Judge of each tournament an athlete wants to be used in the selection process must be received by WSWC at info@wswc.ca by 4:00 p.m. EST on August 14, 2018. Athletes are responsible for ensuring that all results or rating sheets are received by WSWC by that deadline. However, the NTC may use tournament results posted on the internet if he believes the posted results to be credible.

Selection Date

The NTC will complete the selection the 10 Team Score Athletes, Five 35+ Athletes and Five 65+ Athletes promptly following the August 14, 2018 results submission deadline and all selected athletes will be notified of the decision.

Extenuating Circumstances

If illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances prevent an athlete from competing in the required number of tournaments or adversely affect the athlete's performances, the HPC may make exceptions to the selection criteria. If an athlete wants the HPC to consider making an exception to the selection criteria, the athlete must make a written submission to the HPC. The written submission must be received by WSWC at info@wswc.ca by 4:00 p.m. EST on September 7, 2018. Following receipt of the submission, the HPC may require additional information from the athlete. The HPC's decision shall be communicated to all athletes who may be affected by the decision.

Criteria Changes

The NTC may change the criteria if:

- (a) the format or technical rules of the Championships are changed; or
- (b) unusual circumstances would result in the application of the criteria being unfair.

Appeals

An athlete may appeal any decision made pursuant to this document. An appeal shall be made and dealt with in accordance with the WSWC's Appeals Policy. A copy of the Appeals Policy is available from WSWC upon request and is posted on WSWC's website at: www.wswc.ca

As a result of the short period of time between the date on which the athletes to attend the Championships will be selected and the team's departure for the Championships, the normal time lines in the Appeal Policy for considering an appeal may have to be shortened in order for the appeal to be dealt with prior to the team's departure. Any appeal should therefore be filed as soon as possible following the team's selection. Any appeal filed too close in time to the team's departure may not be able to be dealt with.

IWWF Overall Formulas	
Slalom and Tricks	athlete's score x 1000 ÷ Benchmark Score
Jump - Men	(athlete's score – 10) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 10)
Jump - Women	(athlete's score – 7) x 1000 ÷ (Benchmark Score – 7)
Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.	

35+ Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD
Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.			

45+ Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD
Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.			

55+ Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump
Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD
Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.			

65+ Benchmark Scores			
	Slalom	Tricks	Jump



Men	TBD	TBD	TBD
Women	TBD	TBD	TBD
Note that slalom scores will be based on the IWWF scoring system.			



**Declaration of Intent to Participate
2018 IWWF World 35+ Water Ski Championships**

Name:	
Address:	
Email:	Phone:
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):	Gender:
2018 Provincial Association membership number:	
<p>Please Return the Declaration to:</p> <p>Steve Bush at: sbush53@gmail.com</p>	