



Application for Water Ski Show Tournament Sanction

USA Water Ski (USAWS) / National Show Ski Association (NSSA)
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INSTRUCTIONS

I. GENERAL: All USA Water Ski-sanctioned tournaments must have a currently affiliated USA Water Ski club as their official organizer or co-organizer. If your club affiliation has expired, please go to the USA Water Ski web site and renew your club under the “Clubs, Camps & Schools” link. All club affiliations expire December 31.

II. DEADLINES AND FEES:

A. Standard Applications and Fees: The Sanction Application, Tournament Sponsor’s Safety Checklist (Items 2 and 4), an Event Sanctioning Agreement, and sanction fees must be received at USA Water Ski Headquarters prior to the deadlines listed below to avoid a late fee. The club must also be a current USA Water Ski affiliated club by the time a sanction application is received. Clubs not meeting deadlines with ALL required forms must pay the appropriate late fees indicated below. Please note that the deadlines indicate number of days prior to opening date of tournament.

<u>Tournament Class</u>	<u>Sanction Fee</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Late Fee</u>
A/C/N	\$125	7 days	\$100
GrassRoots	\$25	7 days	\$25

Please Note: USA Water Ski assumes no responsibility for delays in the U.S. mail. It is strongly suggested that you mail your application via “Registered Mail-Return Receipt Requested”. Or you may fax or e-mail your application with credit card payment. All fax or e-mail applications must include payment at the time the application is received.

B. Revisions/Cancellations: In the event of tournament cancellation or changes, you must notify the NSSA President and USA Water Ski’s Competition Department immediately. USA Water Ski MUST receive approval of any changes from the NSSA President. In the case of tournament cancellation, all but \$25 of the sanction fee will be refunded. All but \$10 will be refunded for standalone GrassRoots events. **No late fees will be refunded.**

III. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: All participants in a Class A, Class C, and Class N must be full active members of USA Water Ski. GrassRoots members may only participate in sanctioned GrassRoots events, club practices/exhibitions and Basic Skills Clinics. GrassRoots members may **not** jump over a ramp. GrassRoots memberships are **not** available to rated officials, drivers, and safety personnel. All rated officials, drivers and safety personnel **must** be full active members of USA Water Ski.

IV. REQUIREMENTS: The approval of the NSSA President is required on all tournaments. Tournaments will not be considered sanctioned until the NSSA President’s copy of Item 2 indicating approval is received at USA Water Ski Headquarters. Only fully insured members may participate in USA Water Ski/NSSA sanctioned tournaments. Refer to the NSSA Individual and Show Acts Competition Rules for specific tournament requirements. USA Water Ski sanctioned tournaments may be classified as follows:

A. Nationals: The NSSA Officials’ Committee chooses Officials, with final approval by the NSSA Board. The following officials are required:

1. One Chief Judge (NSSA-rated Senior)
2. Seven Judges (NSSA-rated Senior)
3. One Chief Scorer (NSSA-rated Senior)
4. Three Scorers (NSSA rates Senior)
4. One Timer (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior Judge)
6. Seven Secretaries (NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge)
7. One Staging Marshal (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior Judge)
8. One National Safety Director

B. Regionals: In order to encourage regional tournaments, at this time, they may meet the requirements of either Class A or Class C as stated below. This applies only to the Eastern, Western and South Central Regions. In developed regions (Wisconsin, Midwest, Central and South) must have a minimum of five (5) judges and must be a Class A tournament. In the event of an unforeseen emergency, open slots may be filled with NSSA-rated Assistant

judges or may be reduced to three (3) judges, with the approval of the NSSA President. One Regional or National Safety Director is required.

C. Class A: Officials are chosen by the tournament sponsor, usually with the approval of the Chief Judge. The following officials are required:

1. One Chief Judge (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior)
2. Three, Five or Seven Judges (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior)
3. One Chief Scorer (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior)
4. One or Two Scorers (NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior)
5. One Timer (NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge)
6. Three, Five or Seven Secretaries (USAWS Insured Member)
7. One Staging Marshal (optional, NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge if used)
8. One National, Regional or State Safety Director is required (*Regional tournaments require a National or Regional Safety Director*)

D. Class C: Officials are chosen by the tournament sponsor, usually with the approval of the Chief Judge. The following officials are required:

1. One Chief Judge (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior)
2. Three, Five or Seven Judges (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior). An NSSA-rated Assistant Judge may be used with the approval of the Chief Judge
3. One Chief Scorer (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior). An NSSA-rated Assistant Scorer may be used with the approval of the Chief Judge
4. One Timer (NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge)
5. Three, Five or Seven Secretaries (Optional) (USAWS Insured Member)
6. One Staging Marshal (optional, NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge if used)
7. One National, Regional, or State Safety Director is required

E. Class N: (*Individual Acts only, including Jump*) Officials are chosen by the tournament sponsor, usually with the approval of the Chief Judge. The following officials are required:

1. One Chief Judge (NSSA-rated Senior or Regular)
2. Three Judges (NSSA-rated Senior, Ass. or Regular) Can be w/in host club or competitive clubs.*
3. One Chief Scorer (NSSA-rated Senior, Asst or Regular)
4. One Timer (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior Judge or Asst.)
6. Three Secretaries (NSSA-rated Assistant, Regular or Senior Judge) *Optional*
7. One Staging Marshal (NSSA-rated Regular or Senior Judge)
8. One NSSA rated Driver w/ rating applicable to boat being used
9. One NSSA Safety Coordinator

**Judges from host club or competing members clubs may be used provided a notice is posted in all tournament info ahead of time.*

F. Class GrassRoots: (*Individual Acts only, including Jump**) Officials are chosen by the tournament sponsor, usually with the approval of the Chief Judge. The following officials are required:

1. One NSSA rated Driver w/ rating applicable to boat being used
2. One NSSA Safety Coordinator

** GrassRoots members are not permitted!! Jumpers must have a full active membership to USA Water Ski!*

NOTE: USA Water Ski-rated Safety Directors are required at **all** USA Water Ski/NSSA sanctioned tournaments.

IV. PROCEDURES:

A. The current editions of the NSSA Water Ski Show Competition Rules and the NSSA Individual and Show Acts Competition Rules are helpful when completing sanction applications. Rulebooks are located in the NSSA Tournament Kit, which can be accessed at www.usawaterski.org.

B. Submit the application along with the Pre-Tournament Safety Checklist and Event Sanctioning Agreement to USA Water Ski Headquarters' Competition Department with appropriate national sanction fee. Make check or money order payable to "USA Water Ski". Mail, fax, or e-mail a **copy** of Item 2 to the NSSA President (name and address listed in the Board of Directors roster attached). Those clubs hosting a tournament for the first time must also complete and include Item 3.

	Chief Officials	Rating	Area Code/Phone
Chief Judge	_____	_____	_____
Chief Scorer	_____	_____	_____
Chief Safety Director	_____	_____	_____

<i>Appointed</i>			
Judges	Rating	Secretaries	Rating
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Scorers	Rating	Timer	Rating
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
_____	_____		

The Organizing Club Hereby Represents, Certifies and Agrees That:

1. _____, our NSSA Regional Board Member, has approved our sanction.
2. _____, has agreed to serve as Chief Judge.
3. _____, as Chief Judge of our previous show tournament, has recommended that sanction be granted (not required for Class C).
4. No competitor shall be permitted to ski in the tournament unless his/her USA Water Ski "Active" membership dues are paid in full.
5. The organizers hereby agree:
 - a. That they are responsible for providing the site, equipment and facilities for the proper operation of the tournament.
 - b. The tournament shall be officiated by appropriate rated officials who will be responsible for the application of the rules.
 - c. That following the tournament, they will forward appropriate information to USA Water Ski Headquarters' Competition Department as soon as possible.
6. The undersigned is authorized to make these agreements on behalf of the Organizing Club.

Signing for the Organizing Club:

Printed Name _____ Official Position _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Contact Phone _____ E-Mail _____



Application for Water Ski Show Tournament Sanction (Class N and/or GrassRoots)

(Send Original to USA Water Ski HQ and a copy to the NSSA President)

FIRST TIME TOURNAMENT HOSTS: Clubs hosting a tournament for the first time must also complete Item 3, Supplementary Information, and return it to the NSSA President with a copy of this form.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment Method _____ **Check/Money Order #:** _____
Credit Card Number: _____
Expiration Date: _____ **CCV Number:** _____
Name on Card: _____
Billing Address: _____
City: _____ **St:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Sanction Fee \$ _____
Late Fee \$ _____
Other \$ _____
Subtotal \$ _____
Less Credits \$ _____
Total Amount \$ _____

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Date(s) Start: _____ End: _____

Tournament Name: _____

Lake: _____ City/St/Zip: _____

Tournament Type:	Ski Show	Events:	Swivel
	Individual Acts		Doubles
	Individual Event		Freestyle Jump (<i>full active members only</i>)

If you wish to host GrassRoots events alone or in conjunction with your NSSA sanction, please circle those events below.

Swivel	Barefoot	Team Jump (<i>full active members only</i>)
Doubles	Wakeboard	Kneeboard
Freestyle Jump (<i>full active members only</i>)	Hydrofoil	Slalom

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR INFORMATION

Send Entries to:

Name: _____	Entry Limit: _____
Address: _____	Entry Fees \$: _____
City/St/Zip: _____	Deadline: _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____	Late Fee \$: _____

Once the tournament has been sanctioned, the organizer can obtain the tournament kit online at www.usawaterski.org

Club Name: _____ Club Number: _____
Tournament Director: _____ E-Mail: _____
Address: _____ City/St/Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

NSSA PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL: Please review this sanction application, sign it and mail, fax, or e-mail to: USA Water Ski Competition Department, 1251 Holy Cow Road, Polk City, FL 33868-8200 * 863-325-8259 * competition@usawaterski.org. This tournament will not be considered sanctioned until USA Water Ski receives your approval.

PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
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TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

GrassRoots standalone officials requirements are one (1) certified safety official and one (1) certified boat driver.

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Chief Scorer	_____	_____	_____
Chief Safety Director	_____	_____	_____
<i>Appointed</i>			
Judges	Rating	Secretaries	Rating
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
NSSA Rated Driver	Rating	Timer	Rating
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Application for Water Ski Show Tournament Sanction Supplementary Information

Only those clubs hosting a tournament for the first time need to complete this form. Upon completion, this form should be sent to the NSSA President, along with a copy of Item 2, in the return envelope provided.

1. Organizing Club: Number of years organized _____ Approximate Number of Members _____

Describe the number and type of tournaments, shows or other events the club has organized: _____

2. Site: Describe the site (size, shape, etc.). Enclose a sketch of the site showing the approximate location of facilities. _____

3. Facilities:

Judges' Area _____ Scorers' Area _____

Starting Dock(s) _____ Landing Area _____

P.A. System _____ Electricity _____

Dressing Rooms _____ Toilets _____

First Aid Ambulance _____

Types and Numbers of Towboats _____

Types and Numbers of Pick-up Boats _____

Food and Lodging Available _____

Officials' Hospitality to be provided _____

4. List of Teams Attending:

1. _____ 9. _____

2. _____ 10. _____

3. _____ 11. _____

4. _____ 12. _____

5. _____ 13. _____

6. _____ 14. _____

7. _____ 15. _____

8. _____ 16. _____