



## **2006 Application for USAWB Wakeboard Tournament Sanction**

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### **INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **I. General:**

All USAWB/USAWS sanctioned tournaments must have a currently affiliated USAWS wakeboard or water ski club as their official organizer or co-organizer. If your club or affiliation has expired, return the club membership form and required fee with your sanction application to USAWS Headquarters. All club affiliations expire December 31.

#### **II. Deadlines and Fees:**

- A. Standard Applications Fees: The Sanction Application, Tournament Organizer's Safety Checklist (Items 2 and 4) and sanction fee must be received at USAWS Headquarters prior to the deadlines listed below to avoid a late fee. The club must also be a current USAWS 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.

<b>Tournament Class</b>	<b>Sanction Fee</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Late Fee</b>
Class W (Standard Wakeboard Tournament)	\$125	21 days	\$100
Class F (Fun Tournament)	\$ 25	21 days	\$30

*Note: Refer to class descriptions on the next page.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** USAWS 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". No telephone applications will be accepted.

- B. Revisions and Cancellations: In the event of tournament cancellation or changes in date, events, class, etc., you must notify USAWS Competition Department immediately. In the case of tournament cancellation, The sanction fee will be refunded. No late fees will be refunded.
- C. Rules and Exceptions: Requests for rules exceptions must be submitted on Item 5 and received by the USAWB Executive and Finance Committee no later than 21 days (3) weeks prior to the opening date of the tournament.
- D. Tournament Calendar for The Water Skier: Tournament information for The Water Skier is requested on the Application for Tournament Sanction. If you wish to have your tournament

information published in the magazine, USAWS Headquarters must receive your sanction application and fee by the first of the month prior to the cover date of the magazine. There will be nine (9) issues in 2006. Two months will be combined in one issue with the exception of May and October (i.e., January – February, March – April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November – December). Therefore for an April 15<sup>th</sup> tournament date, the sanction application must be received by USAWS no later than February 1.

**III. Requirements:**

Tournaments will not be considered sanctioned until the application is reviewed at USAWS Headquarters.

Only fully insured “Active” members may participate in USAWB/USA WS-sanctioned Class W tournaments. Riders who plan to ride in a Class W should be encouraged to join as “Active” members at the beginning of the season.

Guest Memberships may be used at all sanction tournaments other than W sanctioned events. Guest Memberships can be purchased at the following USAWB/USAWS-sanctioned events for \$10 at each event; Learn to Ride Clinics, Wakeboard, Cable, Wakeskate Exhibitions, Class F “Fun” Tournaments, Fun, Novice or Wakeboard portion of an AWSA (3-event) tournament sanctioned as Class C&F or C&N. Refer to the Guest Membership Registration form located in the “Registrar” packet of the tournament kit for further details. Be sure to follow the application directions carefully and advise participants to mark the form “USAWB Membership”.

Refer to the USA WB Official Rule Book for specific tournament requirements. USAWB/USAWS-sanctioned tournaments will be classified as follows:

**IV. USA Wakeboard Tournament Classification Requirements**

<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Fun Tournament Class “F”</b>	<b>Regular Local Class “W”</b>	
Safety	Safety Coordinator**	Safety Director**	
Driver	Trained Driver **	Trained Driver **	
Chief Judge	No Requirement*	Rated Wakeboard Judge	
Event Judges	1 Judge (no rating required)	1 Rated Wakeboard Judge **	
Scorer	1 Scorer (no rating required)	1 Scorer (no rating required)	
Appointed Officials	No Requirements	Chief Judge	

\*At Fun Tournaments, the Safety Official is ultimately in charge of the event. He/She may appoint an individual as Chief Judge for the event. However, all decisions regarding safety are the responsibility of the Safety Official.

\*\*The Chief Judge may also serve as Event Judge. The Safety Director and Trained Driver may be the same person.

**V. Towboats:**

Only towboat models that have been certified as approved by AWA may be used to pull USAWB/USAWS-sanctioned W events. The approved towboats are listed on the USAWB/USA Water Ski web site. Contact USAWS Headquarters’ Competition Department for more details or questions regarding the approved towboat program.

**VI. Procedures:**

- A. The current edition of the USA WB Official Rule Book is helpful when completing sanction applications. One copy per member is free upon request from USAWS Headquarters. Additional copies may be purchased.
- B. Type or print clearly all information requested and provide signatures where indicated. Mail items as indicated to USAWS Headquarters' Competition Department with appropriate national sanction fee and the club membership form and fee (if applicable) in the envelope provided. Make check or money order payable to USA Water Ski.
- C. Once the above mentioned items have been received by USAWS, your materials will be sent.