World Record Committee
Criteria for National Show Ski records established after 2/28/03

Criteria and procedures for setting a U.S. National Show Record

1. All records will be broken into three categories. They are as follows:
   
   1. National
      
      a. There is no team limitation of the participants who set this record.
   
   2. Tournament
      
      a. These records are set by members of the same team at an N.S.S.A. sanctioned tournament.
   
   3. Team/Show
      
      a. These are records where all participants of the record are from the same team at the time of the record attempt. You must submit a USA Water Ski Roster for this record.
   
2. All participants of the record attempt must be full active or Grass Roots USAWS members.

3. NSSA will only certify show skiing records, or those not recognized under any other water ski sport division.

4. Records must relate to something likely to be found in a ski show.

5. NSSA safety rules will apply. Exceptions for rules can be made on the sanction application and must follow NSSA guidelines for rules exemptions.

6. No age categories and no separate male versus female categories.

7. All records must be made at a USAWS sanctioned event.

8. Records must be witnessed and attested to by either (1) One Senior NSSA Judge, (1) One NSSA World Record Committee Member, or (2) Two NSSA members who are any of the following: NSSA Regular Judge, NSSA Board of Director, or NSSA Officer. There should not be a conflict of interest between any of the officials involved and the individual/team attempting the record. There is no team conflict when the record is of a composite team nature.
9. All requests for record certification shall be made in writing, signed by the organizer, and the witnesses and accompanied by photographic evidence, i.e., Video.

A. It should be understood that the burden of proof is on the individual/organization that is submitting the record for verification. Video footage should be clear and easily zoomed in to an appropriate level. High Definition is preferred. It is suggested that you provide multiple video angles of the attempt in an effort to clearly show that what is being attempted, is being executed to the standards set forth in this document.

10. A 70% approval vote of the committee will bring the record request before the full NSSA board for final approval.

11. USAWS headquarters staff shall maintain all the paperwork, documentation, evidence, and the final listing of all records as approved and certified by the NSSA board.

12. Existing records may be “grandfathered”.

13. Highly subjective acts will not be considered.

14. All records will need a verified application. The National Record (World Record) application can be obtained from USAWS headquarters, and should be returned to the National Record Committee Chair Person 30 days prior to the record attempt, to make sure the individual/organization making the attempt understands all that will be expected of them.

15. For jump records, the jump must meet N.S.S.A. specifications set for jump ramps with the exception of a separate category for unlimited width.

16. There will be no separation of records by type of boat, i.e., inboards vs. outboards. The intent is that the boat must be a type of boat which would be expected to be used in a standard ski show.

17. The committee shall have the final discretion as to whether or not the record meets the spirit and intent of the category.

Categories where records will be recognized:

Barefoot:

Lines: Everyone must be in an established skiing position for a minimum of 5 seconds. The record is for the most people in a line.

Front:

Back:

2 Ski Bomb-out: Once the last person jumps out and is up, everyone must be in an established skiing position for a minimum of 5 seconds. The record is for the most people in a line.
Deepwater

**Starts:** All skiers must be up and in an established skiing position for a minimum of 5 seconds.

**Front:**

**Back:**

**Tumble Turns:** Tumble turns must be performed behind the boat. Skier must stand up between turns. Time starts when the skier’s backside first hits the water. The skier’s entire backside must no longer be in contact with the water at the end of one minute in order for the turn to count.

**Barefoot pyramids:** Pyramids must be built and stepped off for a minimum of 5 seconds. Climbers must be standing on the shoulders of the person below (i.e. not sitting).

**Tallest:**

**Biggest line:**

*All records occurring before 2017 that don’t meet the new criteria, will be denoted with an asterisk (*)

**Pyramids:** For these records, only 2 additional skiers will be allowed above a 1/1 ratio of skiers to climbers. These must be built and established for 5 seconds. Climbers must be standing on the shoulders of the person below (i.e. not sitting).

**Tallest:** Most tiers.

**Most People:** 40% of all participants must be part of a 4 tier or higher. If using 2 tier pyramids, they can’t be adjacent to each other.

**Pyramids, PreFab:** For these records, only 2 additional skiers will be allowed above a 1/1 ratio of skiers to climbers. These must be built and established for 150 feet. Climbers must be standing on the shoulders of the person below (i.e. not sitting).

**Tallest:**

**Most People Straight:**

**Most People Staggered:**
Jump: These records must be set on a jump which meets N.S.S.A. jump specifications, with the exception of the unlimited width category which must meet all specifications except for the width of the ramp. They must also meet the criteria set up under N.S.S.A. freestyle jump rules.

Unlimited Width Jump

2 ski records for the most side by side:

Skiers over the ramp: *Everyone must be on the ramp at the same time and the outside skiers must have any part of at least one ski go over the top edge.

Heli’s:
Flips:
Gainers:
Mobius’:

1 ski records for the most side by side:

Skiers over the ramp: *Everyone must be on the ramp at the same time and the outside skiers must have any part of at least one ski go over the top edge.

Heli’s:
Flips:
Gainers:
Mobius’:

Standard Size Jump

2 ski records for the most side by side:

Skiers over the ramp: *Everyone must be on the ramp at the same time and the outside skiers must have any part of at least one ski go over the top edge.

Heli’s:
Flips:
Gainers:
Mobius’:

1 ski records for the most side by side:

Skiers over the ramp: *Everyone must be on the ramp at the same time and the outside skiers must have any part of at least one ski go over the top edge.

Heli’s:
Flips:
Gainers:
Mobius’:

2 Ski Fronts in 1 minute: Most 2 ski front flips by one person off of standard ramp in one minute. The time will start when the skier’s skis first touch the
jump surface. For last jump to count, the skis must come in full contact with the water before time runs out. The jump only counts if the skier then skis away (which may be after time expired).

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**2 Ski Gainers in 1 minute:** Most 2 ski gainers by one person off of standard ramp in one minute. The time will start when the skier’s skis first touch the jump surface. For last jump to count, the skis must come in full contact with the water before time runs out. The jump only counts if the skier then skis away (which may be after time expired).

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**Swivel:**

**Swivel line:** All skiers must make two passes with two separate 180 tricks. All tricks must be held at the same time for a minimum of 5 seconds. The record is for the most people in a line.

**720 Overheads In 1 Minute:** Most 720 Overheads behind 1 boat by 1 person in 1 minute. The time will start with the first initial movement of the first 720. When the minute ends, the skier must be facing fully forward for the trick to count. There must be a perceptible pause between 720's.

**Most 360 Overheads at the same time:** Most swivel skiers performing a 360 Overhead behind 1 boat at the same time.

**Most 720 Overheads at the same time:** Most swivel skiers performing a 720 Overhead behind 1 boat at the same time.
Most 1080 Overheads at the same time: Most swivel skiers performing a 1080 overhead behind 1 boat at the same time.

Ballet line: Starting in 2017, whether done in a circular or straight pattern, skiers must do two separate passes past the same “show site”, with two separate moves of either a seat hold, toe hold, or heel hold. The record is for most people in a line.

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Trios line: Trios must make two passes past the same “show site” with two separate moves. All skiers must hold each move or lift for at least 5 seconds. The record is for the most trios behind the same boat.

Doubles:

Conventional line: All couples must make two passes past the same “show site”. They must all do the same move for each pass, but they must use two separate moves for the separate passes. The skiers must hold each move or lift for at least 5 seconds. The record is for most couples in a line.

Strap Doubles: All couples must make two passes past the same “show site.” They must all do the same move for each pass, but they must use two separate moves for the separate passes. The skiers must hold each lift for a minimum of 5 seconds at the same time. The record is for most couples behind the same boat.

Torch Flip Line: Everybody being “flipped” must at some point all be in the air at the same time and not be supported by their partner. This record is for the most Torch Flips at the same time.

Shoe Ski turn line: All skiers must turn backwards and recover. Once the last person turns backward, everyone must be in an established skiing position for a minimum of 3 seconds. After the last person turns back forwards, everyone must be in an established skiing position for 3 seconds. The record is for the most people in a line.
**ATB:** Record is for the most people to successfully ski away from an around the boat pull. Skiers must all be going in the same direction and can either cut under lines or not. This record is for a true continuous 360 degree pull. Skiers must use a single ski and nobody can sink beyond waist deep. The boat must exit the maneuver in the same direction in which it entered the maneuver. Skiers must be in an upright stable skiing position for 5 seconds after the boat straightens out to exit the turn.

**Front:**

**Back:**

**Adaptive:** Participants in this category must meet the adaptive criteria as defined by the USA Water Ski Adaptive Sports Discipline. In order for the record to count, the skiers must be in a riding position for a minimum of 5 seconds. Record is for most skiers behind 1 boat.
N.S.S.A. Application Form
For
National Show Skiing Record

Record you are attempting to set or break:________________________________________
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Category
___National Record ___Tournament Record ___Team/Show Record Check all that apply

Team Name:_________________ Date of Record Attempt:________________

Submitted by:_________________ Location of Record Attempt:_______________
Address:____________________ Phone #:______________________________
City, State, Zip:______________________________

Officials to be present:

Name ____________________________ Officials rating or position held

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Are you applying for an exemptions to any N.S.S.A. Safety rules:_____________
If so, which rule and why?________________________________________________________________________
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In addition to the officials stated above, what other proof will you/have you provide(d) to verify this record?

Please attach a list all participants of this record including skiers, drivers, riders, pin pullers, safety director, videographers, and photographers. Please include all USAWS numbers, for verification purposes.

Additionally, please attach an affidavit from all official witnesses attesting to the fact that the person/persons attempting this record were successful and met all of the criteria as established in this document.

Please return to:
Chris Coupland chriscoupland@charter.net
2932 132nd Ave NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55448
Officials Affidavit for NSSA National Show Ski Record

Each Official to fill out separate Affidavit

Date of event: ______________________

Record being attempted: ____________________________________________

Name of Organization/Individual making attempt: _________________________

Name of Official verifying record attempt: ________________________________

Did the Organization/Individual making the attempt follow all NSSA Safety rules? __________

If not, please explain: _________________________________________________

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Did the Organization/Individual making the attempt successfully complete the attempt as
defined above? _________________________________________________________

If this was a jump record, was the jump properly measured to meet NSSA specification as outlined in
the NSSA Rule Book? __________ If yes, what were the jump measurements?

Ramp height on each side: ______________

Length of ramp out of water each side: __________

Please explain with great detail, the record attempt and results. (e.g. number of people, times,
distances, and other relevant facts.)

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Signature __________________________________________________________________ Date __________

Please send signed Affidavit to: Chris Coupland  2932 132nd Ave NW. Coon Rapids, MN 55448