

2011-2012 Selection Criteria Wakeboard National Teams

Senior and Professional

This document outlines the criteria by which the 2011-2012 Canadian National Senior and Professional team shall be selected. The Wakeboard National Team Coach (WNTC) shall have the authority to make all decisions with respect to the criteria.

National Senior and Professional Teams

Introduction

WSWC's overall wakeboard program goal is to support our country's top athletes as they strive to achieve success at our sport's highest level of competition and performance.

A three-tiered national team program: consisting of a six (6) member National Senior Team, a Professional Team, a six (6) member Development Team (See separate selection criteria).

Senior & Professional Teams' Goal - to achieve the highest level of international success in the Pro and Open categories of world titled events.

Eligibility

All competitive license holders who are Canadian citizens and are members in good standing of Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada (WSWC), and who are deemed eligible by the International Water Ski Federation and World Wakeboard Council (IWSF & WWC) or World Wakeboard Association (WWA), as the case may be, are eligible for selection to the National or Professional Teams. In consideration of the expected international travel, riders must also have a valid Canadian passport.

Selection Term

Subject to the rider signing a WSWC Athlete Agreement, the term of team selection shall be for one year, from the close of the 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships through to the close of the 2012 Canadian Wakeboard Championship.

* To review a copy of the current Athlete Agreement contact WSWC.

Positions Available

The 2011-2012 Wakeboard National Teams will be comprised of the following:

National Senior Team 6 members, one female and three male, two wakeskate

Professional Team: Undetermined number (*limited funding member**)



Selection Criteria

National Senior Team

Selection to the 2011-2012 Wakeboard National Senior Team will be determined on the basis of results at the 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships and 2011 Canadian Cable Park Championships.

- Top 1 Women's Open Division - 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships
- Top 3 Men's Open Division - 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships
- Top 1 Pro/Open Wakeskate Division - 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships
- Top 1 Pro/Open Wakeskate Division - 2011 Canadian Cable Park Championships

Should a rider so qualified decline the National Senior Team selection invitation, vacant spots may or may not be filled by the next highest ranked rider in that division, at the sole discretion of the WNTC. Should the Top 2 Open Women, Top 3 Open Men or Top 2 Pro/Open Wakeskater decline, selection of riders to vacant spots shall be at the sole discretion of the WNTC, which may or may not take into account results other than the Canadian Wakeboard Championships and/or Canadian Cable Park Championships.

Professional Team

Selection to the 2011-2012 Wakeboard National Professional Team will be determined on the basis of:

Option 1:

- all riders from the Pro/Open divisions of 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships;
- AND**
- who have competed in a minimum of three sanctioned pro events, as defined in Appendix 1, and have advanced beyond the second round at least once within the 2011 season; *(results must be forwarded to WSWC prior to the beginning of the 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships – see Appendix 1 for form)*

Option 2:

- all riders who finish in the top 10 of the Open/Pro division at the 2011 IWWF or WWA World Championships;
- AND**
- who have competed in a minimum of three sanctioned pro events, as defined in Appendix 1, and have advanced beyond the second round at least once within the 2011 season; *(results must be forwarded to WSWC prior to the beginning of the 2011 Canadian Wakeboard Championships – see Appendix 1 for form)*

Should an athlete that fails to meet the published criteria feel that they should be considered for the Pro Team, they must submit in writing to the WNTC a request for consideration no later than 60 days following the completion of the Canadian Wakeboard Championships. This request must outline the reasons for not meeting the criteria as well as the criteria upon which the athlete feels they should be considered. Please note that the published criteria will remain the major determinant for selection.



Major Benefits to Team Selection

Riders who accept to become members of either team acknowledge that:

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- Financial assistance towards identified training and competitive opportunities extended to the Wakeboard National Team, in accordance with and within the limitations of the wakeboard high performance program budget (National Team Program Funding Menu 2011-12);
- Enrollment in basic accident insurance coverage through and paid for by WSWC within the Canadian Athletes Insurance Program.

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- Benefit from services from Athletes CAN, amongst others that may become available. Some services offered currently are: Bell Athletes Connect, Dale Carnegie Speakers Training and Sport Solution. (It is up to the athlete to communicate with AthletesCAN directly to inquire about the services they are eligible for);
- Possibility of financial support and selection to the Canadian National Team to represent Canada at identified International Events as defined by WSWC funding;
- Status as a member of the Wakeboard National Teams, and all such publicity and personal sponsorship privileges that may be enjoyed.



Appendix 1

Eligible sanctioned pro events

WWA PWT:

Event	Division	Result
1. Mastercraft PWT #1		
2. Mastercraft PWT #2		
3. Mastercraft PWT #3		
4. Mastercraft PWT #4		
5. Mastercraft PWT #5		

WWA World Series:

1. Ragga Wake World Series		
2. Relentless Wakestock		
3. Wakestock		

King/Queen of Wake:

1. Wake Games		
2. WWA US Wakeboard Nationals		

*****Other events may be submitted for consideration, however acceptance and consideration of the results is at the sole discretion of the WNTC.**

Results must be compiled and sent in one document by 15:00 **Wednesday August 24, 2011** by mail, email or fax, to:
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