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FÉDÉRATION FRANCAISE DE SKI NAUTIQUE & DE WAKEBOARD









# **Dear Riders & Federations**

It's a pleasure for us to invite you to the 2012 edition of the **Europe-Africa Championships Cable Wakeboard & Wakeskate,** to be held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2012 in Toulouse (France).

This first Bulletin should help you to organize your trip to France and tell you more about the event. If you have any questions feel free to contact us!

# 1. Location

TNS is the Téléski Nautique de Sesquières (near Toulouse), in the South West of France. Built in 1992, it turns clockwise and runs 730m long. There are 4 pylons, with the main cable at 8m high.

**Obstacles :** An exact Obstacle plan will be announced in the second Bulletin. Fixed Obstacles in the lake are already: 3 Kickers, 1 box, 1 Roof, 1 Slider, 1 Aframe

# 2. Before traveling to France

## 2.1 Visa

France is part of the Schengen Area so most of the European travellers don't need a visa for short stays. Please check your specific country <u>here</u> or get information at your travel agencies or consulate.

### 2.2 Identity proof

Please make sure that you are coming with a valid ID document stating date of birth and nationality. It is recommended to competitors to bring a passport (not ID-card) along.

#### 2.3 Local currency

The French currency is Euro ( $\in$ ).

Established credit cards (like Visa, Master, American Express) are accepted in most places. You can also use them to draw cash at ATMs.

#### 2.4 Time difference

Toulouse is on Central European Time (CET) For example, 00:00 in Central Europe is 00:00 in Toulouse and 23:00 in London

#### 2.5 General information

Main electricity: 220 Volt, use an Euro plug or an universal adapter.

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## 2.6 Emergency telephone numbers:

- Emergency Number (Fire / Medical / Police) : 112
- Police : **17**
- Hospital-based Ambulance (SAMU) : 15
- Fire and Fire Service Ambulance : 18.
- International prefix for France : +33

French network is connected to the European GSM standards. Your national mobile phone will connect with the following networks: Orange, SFR, Bouygues...

# **3.** How to get to Toulouse

# By plane:

Many international flights (including Easyjet) land in Toulouse Blagnac airport (TLS). We will place an information counter at the Toulouse airport for your disposal where the shuttle will start.

#### Airport-Hotel-Airport transport :

An organized transport will be provided from the airport to the hotels. The price will be given in bulletin 2. Please note that you may have waiting times as we organize the transport to catch as many people as possible.



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#### Important :

Please provide us with your arrival and departure times. Just send an email with your flight details to : <u>eurocable2012@ffsnw.fr</u>

### Advice to travel by car, speed limits:

Within built-up area: 50 km/h Country road: 90 km/h Motorway: 130 km/h (beware of the toll cost !)

# 4. Accommodation

There are several hotels at close distance from the cable so there will not be any organized transport from the Hotels to the cable. Please check the competition website for updates <a href="http://www.eurowcable2012.com">http://www.eurowcable2012.com</a>

When making hotel reservations, please indicate that you come for the Wakeboard Competition.

Here is a list of the closest accommodations with indicative prices:

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- <u>Camping Rupé</u> (~500m from the cable), Address: 21 chemin du Pont de Rupé - 31200 Toulouse, France Tel: +335 61 700 735, Fax. : +335 61 709 317, <u>campinglerupe31@wanadoo.fr</u> Camping space with one 1 person is 13,5€ /night.
- 2. <u>Hôtel 1ère classe</u> (~700m from the cable), http://www.premiere-classe-toulouse-nord-sesquieres.fr/ Address : 1 rue du Pôle 31200 Toulouse, France Tel : +335 61 13 10 27 or +338 92 707152, Fax : +335 61 13 10 51 Email: toulouse.sesquieres@premiereclasse.fr For a room for 1 to 3 persons, nights cost 43€ from Monday to Thursday and 39€ for Friday to Sunday. Breakfast is 4,8€ per day per person.
- Hôtel Campanile \*\* (700m from cable), http://www.campanile-toulouse.fr/ Address : 1 rue du Pôle 31200 Toulouse, France. GPS : 43,6467 N - 1,41865 W. Tel: +335 62 72 05 66, Fax:+335 62 72 06 42, Email: toulouse.sesquieres@campanile.fr

For a room for 1-2 or 3 persons (triple rooms are quite small), nights cost 80 to 91€ from Monday to Thursday and 42-49€ for Friday to Sunday. Breakfast is 9€ per day per person.

4. <u>Hôtel Hermès\*\*\*</u> (3km from cable), http://www.hotel-hermes.com/chambres.html
 Address : 49, avenue Jean Zay –Toulouse, France
 Tel : +335 61 47 60 47 Fax : +335 61 47 56 08, Email : reception@hotel-hermes.com
 For a room for 1-3 persons, nights cost 124€ from Monday to Thursday and 78€ for Friday to Sunday. Breakfast is 6€ per day per person.

# 5. Entry

E&A Championships entry fees are :

- Juniors/Boys/Girls: 100 Euro
- Open, Masters & Veterans: 140 Euro

The entry fee must be paid at the latest when you register at the competition venue.

Entry fees include:

 Free lunches with drinks from Wednesday - Saturday (breakfast at your hotel not included)

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- Special riders area
- Competitors Boards supervision

Friends and Team Support passes will be available on site.

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# Nomination for E&A Championships

Each National Federation selects its team and decides on allowing individual entries. If you are not sure of how it works in your country or how to find the nearest club or federation, please contact <a href="mailto:president@cablewakeboard.net">president@cablewakeboard.net</a> and we will provide information for you.

Exceptions: Riders from countries that don't have a Wakeboard/Waterski Federation affiliated to IWWF are allowed to register for the Championships themselves. Please contact us and we will help you to arrange the insurance policy and permission for individual entry.

The Entry Forms will be attached to the next bulletin and available for download from the official website.

In addition to your official nomination and entry, you need to register for the competition at <u>www.cablewakeboard.net</u>.

#### How it works ?

The International Waterski and Wakeboard Federation (IWWF) was founded in 1946. IWWF is recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as official partner since 1967. Wakeboarding is part of the World Games (Non Olympic Games patronized by IOC) since 2005. Since 2011 Wakeboard is on the Shortlist for addition to the Olympic Games 2020 !

The IWWF is the world leader in waterskiing and wakeboarding with more than 90 member nations, hundreds of clubs and thousands of members. Together with agencies and local federations, the IWWF organizes Nationals Championships, European and World Championships, the IWWF World Cup and World Trophy, and hundreds of internationals competitions all over the world.

The IWWF Cable Wakeboard World Council (CWWC) is a rider formed, voluntary non-profit working council. CWWC organizes and promotes wakeboard, helping organizers to create and run competitions, developing the Cable Wakeboard World Rules, formats, judging criteria's and educating judges. The CWWC is recognised for running the sport part of events under fair conditions for all riders, fair and fast judging, perfect "just in time" timetables, live & online results, and results interfaces for live streaming or live TV Productions. For more information and upcoming events please look at <a href="http://www.iwwfed.com">http://www.iwwfed.com</a> or <a href="http://www.cablewakeboard.net">www.cablewakeboard.net</a>

# 6. Conditions

The European Championships will be carried out according to the CWWC World Rules 2012. A full copy of the rules is online available at: <u>www.cablewakeboard.net</u>

# 7. Categories

- Boys & Girls: born in 1997 or later
- Junior Men & Junior Ladies: born in 1993 or later
- Open Men & Open Ladies: no age restriction
- Masters Men & Ladies : born in 1981 or before
- Veterans Men & Ladies: born in 1971 or before

To protect young children, participants will have to be born in 2000 or earlier.

For the first time, it was decided to open a 'seated' category for handicapped riders. . It will be run as a Trophy with no team scores. More details to come in Bulletin 2.

# 8. Officials

TO BE ANNOUNCED IN THE 2ND BULLETIN

# 9. License

All riders should be members of their respective country's IWWF affiliated Federation with a valid international wakeboard license (obtained by online registration of the rider's licenses by their National Federations).

# **10. Doping control**

In accordance with the IWWF Anti-Doping Policy, random drug testing will be conducted on any of the competition days. All riders must have their passports with them at any time during the competition. Please note, if you are randomly chosen for drug testing, and fail to identify yourself with your passport, or fail to take the test for any other reason, it will result with an immediate disqualification. IWWF complies with WADA Anti-Doping Policy. Please visit www.wada-ama.org for more information on prohibited substances and TUE.

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# 11. Timetable (provisional)

A detailed timetable will be provided with the 2nd Bulletin.

### Monday, September 3th

- Registration and Team Captains Meeting
- Public riding / Rental hours

#### Tuesday, September 4th

- Riders meeting
- Official Training

# Wednesday, September 5th and Thursday, September 6th

- Qualification rounds + LCQ
- Opening ceremony on Wednesday evening

## Friday, September 7th

- LCQ
- Finals
- Price Giving European Championships

# Saturday, September 8th

- Semi-finals
- Finals
- Price Giving European Championships

# Sunday, September 9th

Security morning in case anything goes wrong Tuesday-Saturday, so please plan your departure Sunday afternoon. If all goes well, a fun contest will be organised from 11am to 4pm on Sunday, possibly with cash prize.

# 12. Officials' Seminar

There will be an official international Officials' Seminar on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2012. It's possible to take part at the competition and the Seminar.

The seminar takes 2 days (Sunday and Monday) and includes lunches on Sunday and Monday.

Costs (Entry fee): 75 EUR

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# **Seminar Contents:**

- Introduction: Why is it important to become an Official? IWWF Structures; Officials' levels
- Organizing a competition: Crew for the competition
- Before the competition: Chief judge duties, Safety, Time table, Heat system
- During the competition: Judging system, Trick lists, Grabs, Slider, Tricks, Short cuts,
  Overview of the rules, 2012 Changes to the rules, Protests, Video analysis
- Scoring the Competition: Scoring System and Program
- After the competition: Results, Paperwork
- Practical exercises: Videos, Theoretical & Practical Examination, individual evaluation, announcement of results

The deadline to join the seminar is **Sunday, 26th August**. However, we advise everyone to book the accommodation as soon as possible because of the limited availability in the hotels.

Please find all documents and register at <u>http://www.cablewakeboard.net</u> (join the Seminar in "My Zone" – "Comps & Events"). You'll receive a detailed seminar schedule by e-mail.

You don't have to print the documents, printed copies will be handed to you during the program, but please study and prepare them so we can devote more time to the video sessions and practice.

# See you in Toulouse !

# Looking forward to riding with you !!

Please inform us about your participation **as soon as possible.** And if you need help, please feel free to contact us!!! For questions about :

- licenses and registration, please contact Varna Laco varna@cablewakeboard.net
- the event, the organization, accommodation, etc.: eurowake2012@ffsnw.fr