



# EAME Cable Wakeboard technical rules

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## 1 General

The World cable wakeboard rules apply to the European (EAME) Championships and to all other homologated competitions in EAME. Where the words "World" or "IWSF" appear in the World cable wakeboard rules these are to be read as "EAME".

## 2 EAME Ranking lists

2.1 The points are awarded for taking part at the World and European Championships, all international events homologated and the National Championships in region EAME, as follows:

Placement	World champs	Euro champs	International competitions	National Champs
1	1000	800	500	400
2	800	640	400	320
3	640	512	320	256
4	600	480	300	240
5	480	384	240	192
6	360	288	180	144
7	320	256	160	128
8	240	192	120	96
9	230	185	116	92
10	220	178	112	89
11	210	172	108	86
12	205	166	104	83
13	204	164	102	82
14	202	162	101	81
15	200	160	100	80
16	160	128	80	64
17	120	96	60	48
18	80	64	40	32
19	70	56	35	28
20	60	48	30	24
21	50	40	25	20
22	40	32	20	18
23 - 36	10	8	5	4

2.2 A rider can start in a higher category at any competition (double starts are not allowed) and he'll be awarded the appropriate number of points, always listed only inside his age category.

2.3 Placements are determined as described under point 5.7 of the World Cable Wakeboard Rules. In the occurrence of more categories of the same age and gender at the National Championships (e.g. Amateur Men & Pro Men), placements of advanced category are followed by the lower category. If a rider has dual citizenship, only one performance at National Champs counts, from the country he represents at titled events. Guest riders at National Champs get no ranking points.

2.4 Each National Federation must provide to their national and international riders the EAME wakeboarding license, which permits them to take part at international events, with the exception of the titled events. National Federations can enter the riders' names through the EAME website at [www.eame.be](http://www.eame.be), using the password of the Federation. The licenses are free of charge.



### **3 Format (replaces World rule 10)**

- 3.1 Riders will be judged in a FREERIDE format only.
- 3.2 There will be a minimum of two rounds, a Qualification or Semifinal Round, and a Final Round.
- 3.3 A Last Chance Qualifier Round (LCQ) shall be run when practical, depending on the number of riders. The decision to run the LCQ shall be at the discretion of the Chief Judge.
- 3.4 One round will consist of two passes (circuits/laps) through the course, each pass consisting of combinations of inverts, grabs, rotational tricks, and obstacles. Riders may perform any tricks they choose in any order they wish. Only the best out of two runs will be scored.
- 3.5 Judging of the routine begins when the rider enters the course and ends when the rider exits the course or falls.
- 3.6 There will be no Wild Card tricks in this format.
- 3.7 Sliders, Kickers, or other obstacles may be used.
- 3.8 Speed is at the discretion of the rider but must be within the maximum and minimum tolerances allowed for the site. The speed must remain constant while the rider is in the course.

### **4 Judging criteria / scoring (replaces World rule 11)**

- 4.1 Judging will be SUBJECTIVE only. There will be no predetermined points for any tricks and no attack sheets.
- 4.2 Points in the form of 'style points' will be given and based on technical performance and impression.
- 4.3 The scores awarded will reflect each run (pass) with a single combined score from 0-100. Only the best of the two runs will be taken as a result. The lower scored run will be removed.
- 4.4 Each rider shall be allowed two runs through the wakeboard course during which time he may perform any routine he chooses. He will be judged on two subjective style categories, to arrive at a single combined score for each run.

Judging of the routine begins when the rider enters the wakeboard course and ends when the rider exits the wakeboard course or falls.

Riders are encouraged to perform a smooth flowing routine with a wide variety of tricks. Each maneuver should be executed as cleanly as possible and taken to its limit.

After the rider finishes both runs, his better run will be taken as his result.

#### **Scoring:**

Judges will award a maximum of 100 points to each rider based on their overall impressions of each run performed. The judges will score each rider in the following categories:

#### **Technical performance = 50 points**

(Level and variety of tricks performed - what did the rider perform)



Judges look for the variety and diversity of tricks in a flowing creative sequence. In the judge's eyes, a better rider is one who throws a balanced variety of inverts, spins, heel side, toe side, switch, blind tricks, and handle passes etc, using both air tricks and obstacles.

**Impression = 50 points**

(Airtime, mastery, style and control of tricks = how did the rider perform)

How impressive was the routine, how big did the rider go? For Slider and Kicker: How controlled and balanced is the rider? The judges look for the degree of effort in each manoeuvre performed and of the overall run. Does the Rider show his personal style in the trick performed? Is the trick grabbed, boned, tweaked, shifted? Are the tricks landed clean? Good body position in the air? How long was the trick grabbed? How good is the approach /cut of tricks, the flow in the run.

For each judge team a head judge will be installed. After the first rider in the heat, the head judge will give a range for the scoring of the first rider. This will give a solid base for judging of this certain heat.

**Wild card**

There will be no wild card in this format.

**Calculation of scores:**

The Average method of calculating will be used. Scores from the two categories (Technical performance and Impression) of a rider's routine are added together to produce a judge's total score. All three judges' total scores are then averaged to produce a final score for a rider.

Judges should ensure that all scores given on the scoring sheets are scored out of 10. The necessary conversions will be made at the calculation stage to ensure that the above system is adhered to.

- 4.5 Repetition of tricks is not allowed during one run (rider can repeat tricks from the first run in his second run).
- 4.6 Any trick performed outside of the course or using the pull of a deflection pulley will NOT be scored.
- 4.7 Wakeskate will be scored **Dock Start** (10%), **Technical performance** (45%), and **Impression** (45%). One Dock Start fall is allowed, with no penalty. Wakeskaters will have 2 passes, with their run ending on second fall. Repeating tricks is not allowed and will not be scored.
- 4.8 There must be a minimum of three judges, one of which will act as Chief Judge. All must be recognized by the EAME CW Council, or National Federation for national events.
- 4.9 This format and judging criteria/scoring are obligatory for EAME Championships and ECWT (European Cable Wakeboard Tour). The organizer and the judging team can decide for a different format for other national and international homologated events (e.g. the world rules system, one out of the three runs scoring, obstacles only etc.). In such cases the format and the judging criteria have to be published minimum two months prior to the competition.
- 4.10 Judges must ensure equal riding conditions are applied to all competitors.

## **5 Exceptions**

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decide for a different format (e.g. the world rules system, one out of the three runs scoring, obstacles only etc.). In such cases the format and the judging criteria have to be published minimum two months prior to the competition.

## **6 Reducing levels for international judges (replaces World rule 16.4)**

International level 2: If a judge in the past two seasons haven't judged at an international event or national championships, or haven't passed the official exam for this or higher level, his level will be reduced by one.

International level 1: If a judge in the past season haven't judged at an international event or national championships, or haven't passed the official exam for this level, his level will be reduced by one.