



ECWT - EUROPEAN CABLE WAKEBOARD TOUR 2008

RULES & OBLIGATIONS

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1 GENERAL

- 1.1 The European Cable Wakeboard Tour was established in 1998 and represents the highest level of competition within the EAME region. The aim of the ECWT is to encourage riders from all of the countries represented by EAME to ride at competition level and for them to assess their ability with riders from other countries. The competition is open to all licensed riders within the IWSF.
The ECWT must have a minimum of three to a maximum of eight stops in several countries.
- 1.2 The rules governing all stops on the ECWT shall be the current published EAME Cable Wakeboard Rules. Each stop must be registered.
- 1.3 *Each stop must comprise of a minimum of two rounds for every rider; the qualification round and a final round, or the LCQ (Last Chance Qualifier)*
- 1.4 There will be a maximum of 8 riders in the final round for all categories.

2 TIMING

- 2.1 Organizers of ECWT events must adhere to the standard timetable of events to ensure consistency between tour stops. The timings shall be:
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| Friday: | Official Training, Qualifications |
| Saturday morning: | Qualifications, LCQ |
| Saturday afternoon: | Finals |
| Saturday evening: | After party |
- 2.2 Organizer and Officials will organize ECWT with the following deadlines:
15th of December: All Stops should be fixed All stops should be finalized.
20th of December: Calendar with all ECWT Events should be published.
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- 2.4 Organizer and Officials will prepare the bulletins with the following deadlines:
1# by 1. April (latest three months before the competition, only hard facts: date, cable facts...)
2# till 1. May (more information: hotels, competition entry fees, timetable)
3# one month before comp: all facts (complete timetable, all costs on site, etc. all informations)

3 FORMAT AND AGE

- 3.1 The format of the events shall be Freeride only.
- 3.2 Obstacles must be installed according to the EAME cable wakeboard rules.
Minimum of obstacles: 1 kicker & 1 slider
- 3.3 Age categories:
Open Ladies, Open men –
Junior ladies, Junior men –
Master men
For the years look at the CWWC Rules. Riders may take part in only one category per Tour stop. If they are eligible to enter more than one category, they may choose different categories at different events. Girls and Boys may enter Junior categories.

4 POINT SYSTEM

- 4.1 Tour points will be awarded to riders depending on their final placement at each ECWT stop.
- 4.2 The points allocated are as follows:

Open men		Open ladies		Junior men		Juniors ladies		Masters	
1st	12 pts	1st	12 pts	1st	12 pts	1st	12 pts	1st	12 pts
2nd	11 pts	2nd	11 pts	2nd	11 pts	2nd	11 pts	2nd	11 pts
3rd	10 pts	3rd	10 pts	3rd	10 pts	3rd	10 pts	3rd	10 pts
...		
12th	1 pts	12th	1 pts	12th	1 pts	12th	1 pts	12th	1 pts

- 4.3 If a tie exists in an individual Tour stop, all tied riders will receive the Tour points for that position.

5 TOUR SCORING (OVERALL)

- 5.1 Points can be earned at any Tour stop.
- 5.2 All Tour points earned throughout the Tour will be used to determine an overall Tour winner.
- 5.3 If there is a tie for a position in the overall Tour scores, the results from the last competition will be used to determine final placement.

6 ENTRY

- 6.1 Each ECWT stop will have categories for Open Men, Open Ladies, Junior Men and Junior Ladies and Master Men. There are no minimum entry requirements. However, if the total number of riders exceeds the maximum number for an efficient competition at that site, the local organizer, with agreement of the Chief Judge, may place minimum entry requirements for local riders.
- 6.2 All riders riding at ECWT events must be members of their respective country's IWSF affiliated Federation. In addition, entrants from EAME must have the EAME International Wakeboard License. Riders from AA or PANAM must have a National license or written approval from their country's IWSF-affiliated Federation, as well as Federation membership.
- 6.3 The results and positions of all riders from all stops shall be included in the EAME Cable Wakeboard Rankings from the actual season.
- 6.4 The competition organizer must ensure that all entrants are aware of the entry requirements and it is the responsibility of the Chief Judge to ensure that every rider has met the minimum entry requirements.
- 6.5 The local organizer may invite 'Local Heroes' to take part in the event, but they will not be listed in the overall Tour standings.
- 6.6 The competition organizer may charge a maximum of 50 € as an entry fee. Organizer has to provide breakfast & lunch at the competition day, the official T-shirt and the entrance to the after party free of charge for all registered riders. It is recommend, that the organizer also provide a dinner or snack in the evening of the competition day and a lot of free practice time before and after the competition.

7 PRIZE MONEY

- 7.1 The organizer of each Tour stop must guarantee a minimum of 2.500 € prize money in the Open and Junior categories. Organizer should organize a little gift bag for the officials and judges and trophies for the places 1 to 3 of all categories. Recommended distribution of prize money (example with minimum prizes):

Open men		Open ladies		Junior men		Junior ladies		Master Men	
1st	500 €	1st	250 €	1st	150 €	1st	100 €	1st	-
2nd	400 €	2nd	150 €	2nd	100 €	2nd	50 €	2nd	-
3rd	300 €	3rd	100 €	3rd	50 €	3rd	50 €	3rd	-
4th	200 €								
5th	100 €								

If there's no Junior ladies category, the amounts listed are given to the first girls or junior Ladies competing in, the open ladies category and the rest is added to Junior men category. At the request of the riders, EAME will implement a Masters Category (without prize money) with effect from 2008

- 7.2 Each organizer of an ECWT Stop (final included) must pay 25 € per competitor at his stop to the EAME Cable Wakeboard Council. The total prize money for the Tour Overall will be dependent of

number of stops and will be 1000,- per stop. EAME will give these money at the final Tourstop to the best ranked riders.

7.3 It is up to all organizers to find simple and safe way to transfer this amount to the final event. For more please look at EAME Bye-laws Article 4.5.2.
Only Internal for Julie and Luci: Organizers have to give it after rider registration at the competition to the EAME Official, EAME Officials will bring it to the final!

7.4 This found will be awarded to the Tour Overall winners at the Finals.

8 FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

8.1 ECWT is a series of homologated competitions. The homologation fee of 200 € must be paid to IWSF EAME by the organizer or organizing Federation.

After the Organizer agrees with the ECWT Rules and Financial Obligations and gets the assurance (or confirmation?) from EAME, he has to pay a deposit performance guarantee of Euro 600,-. If the organizer decides to cancel the comp, he will loose the money. If the organizer realizes the comp, the performance guarantee is settled with the competitor fees which have to be paid by the organizer with the overall amount due.

8.2 Organizer has to pay the travel costs for the minimum of 5 nominated officials: 3 judges, 1 Technical Official and 1 EAME official.
Nominated judges and officials will notify approximate travel costs to the organizer and ECWT coordinator at the latest 4 weeks prior to the competition.

8.3 The technical official will be nominated by the EAME Cable Wakeboard Council. This Person will write in English one press article before, one during and one after the competition. He will also upload pictures of the competition to cablewakeboard.net. He will take the completed scores from the scorer and will publish all the result lists during the competition live to the internet. He will also handle the technical display and will show all results on the screens at the site. He will bring 1-2 Laptops for scoring and displaying results and the scoring and ranking software with him to handle and coordinate the competition together with the EAME Official. This Technical Person will be charged to the organizer with Euro 600,-.
The Organizer has to provide 2-3 with VGA Cable connected LCD/ Plasma Screens/ Monitors (1 at the dock for riders, one for the spectators and one for the moderator) and the cable to the Judges/judging tent. The Organizer has to provide an internet connection on the site and in the judging tent. If the organizer does not have these Equipment, he can get in contact with the Technical Official and ID+MA for bringing it to the comp.

8.4 The Organizer has to install a web cam (min 1 picture/ minute) to enable the comp to be shown on the internet. If he does not have a cam, the EAME Technical Official can provide one and can install it at a charge of 100,-/ weekend.

8.5 Organizer has to pay a minimum of 100€ per person/weekend to the judges.

8.6 Organizer has to provide all nominated officials with lodging in a reasonable hotel, B&B or apartment near the site and food and drinks for the duration of the competition.

8.7 No cash prize levy will be charged. Organizers and sponsors can decide how much price money they want to give to the riders. Minimum is 2500,- per Tourstop.

9 EVENT TITLE

9.1 Each organizer can select the major title for a competition, such as: "SPONSOR" HUNGARO OPEN or "SPONSOR" WAKE & STYLE etc. The proposal for event title must be submitted to the Council latest 10 weeks before the event for the approval.

9.2 The subtitle of all ECWT stops is: "#(1st, 2nd, final) stop of the European Cable Wakeboard Tour 2008"

9.3 ECWT logo must be used in bulletins and all printed materials.

10 SAFETY AND SECURITY

- 10.1 All ECWT stops shall be run to the EAME Cable Wakeboard rules. Special attention is drawn to the use of obstacles.
- 10.2 The competition organizer must provide a medical team and a safety boat at the site during the official training and the competition.
- 10.3 The competition organizer must appoint a Jetty Marshall who must be present on the dock for the start of every rider's run.
- 10.4 All riders take part at their own risk.

NOTES

See the appropriate EAME bye-laws for bidding procedures, fees, sanctions, fines, charges, and other regulations.

The competition organizer has to provide camping possibilities nearby the site.

If more than 50 riders are expected to take part at the competition it is highly recommended to invite 2-3 additional judges.

Every competition apart from the appointed officials requires dedicated work of at least 3-5 more persons – jetty marshal, scorer's assistant, registration office staff. Usually this work is handled by the local club volunteers, but it is up to the organizer to arrange it.

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