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**Dear wakeboarders,
friends of board sports,**

It's a pleasure for us to invite you to the

EAME Cable Wakeboard European Championships 2008.

Date: 17th till 19th October 2008

Venue: Bursa / Turkey

This first Bulletin should help you to organize your trip to Turkey and to get to know more about the event. If you have any questions feel free to contact us! You find the contacts at the last page.

Location

Bursa is Turkey´s fourth largest city and is located in northwestern of the country. It is one of the most industrialized and culturally charged metropolitan centers. Beautiful parks and gardens, forests and the mountain Uludağ with its famous ski resort characterize the town.

The cableway is the first one in Turkey which was opened in April 2008.



Cable

Cable built by: Rixen

Masts: 5

Height: 10,5 m

Length: 486 m

Obstacles

- Kicker
- Kicker Large
- Table
- Funbox

In bulletin 2 we will offer precise description of the course and obstacles.

2. Before traveling to Turkey

2.1. Visa

Make your visa application in person and one month before you proceed to Turkey to avoid any inconvenience.

Attached please find visa information for foreigners.

We point out that you will get binding information at your appropriate travel agencies or consulate. Please note that nearly every federation has got other visa requirements.

2.2 Identity card

Before traveling to Turkey you need to have a current identity card. It is recommended to bring a passport along.

Please confer with your federation to assure yourself.

2.3. Further entry requirements

Advice for traveling by car:

It is a duty to own a third party liability insurance. Further you need a passport when you enter Turkey by car. The Turkish custom will hand out a standard form that fixes the date of your departure. You should avoid an excess of the date of your departure.

Please stick to the rule that you are not allowed to consume alcohol before you drive by car.

Speed limits:

Within built-up area: 50 km/h

Country road: 90 km/h

Motorway: 130 km/h

Helpful translations of traffic signs:

Dikkat = attention

Dur = stop

Park Yapilmaz = no parking

Yavas = drive slowly

Tamirat = road works

Hastane = hospital

Sehir Merkezi = centre

Health:

The ministry of foreign affairs recommends to check your status of inoculation (tetanus, diphtheria, hepatitis a, polio). It is recommended to own an international travel insurance.

Water: tap water is clean but it contains many minerals; many foreign people have got a health intolerance against it. It is recommended to drink regular mineral water (bottles).

We do not give any guarantee for validity. Please ask for individual requirements at your federation.

2.4. Local currency

Please note that you have to change money.

The Turkish currency is Turkish lira.

For example:

1 Euro = 1,951 lira (current exchange rate)

It is recommended to exchange money in cash. In bigger cities or holiday centres you are able to pay by credit card. Established credit cards (like Visa, Euro and Master) are accepted. In most cases you will get cash by using your EC card or credit card.

2.5 Time change

Please note that Bursa is on Eastern European Time (EET)

For example: it is 00:00 in Central Europe – it is 01:00 in Bursa

2.6 General information

Mains electricity:

220 volt

We recommend to use an Euro plug or an universal adapter.

Emergency telephone numbers:

Fire department call 110

Police call 115

Ambulance call 112

International prefix for Turkey is +90

Mobile phone:

Turkish network is connected to the European GSM standards.

By using your national mobile phone you will be connected with following networks: Turkcell, Telsim, Vodafone-Turkey or Avea

3. How to get to Bursa

3.1. By car:

From Istanbul

You start in the direction of ferry harbour "Istanbul Port". Take the ferry "Mudanya-Istanbul" in the direction of ferry harbour Mudanya (transfer by ferry ca. 3 hours). You start in Mudanya in D575 in the direction of Bursa.

Total distance: not specified because of transfer by ferry

Total travel time: 3:30 hours (incl. ferry boat)

From Izmir

You start in D300 in the direction of Bornova. At km 10 please follow D565 in the direction of Manisa. At km 40 turn right onto D565 in the direction of Akhisar.

At km 230 turn right onto D573 in the direction of Bursa.

Total distance: 330 km

Total travel time: 6:30 hours

3.2. By plane:

International flights will enter Turkey in Istanbul (Atatürk International).

We will place an information counter for your disposal where the shuttle will start.

For further information please visit the website of Istanbul Airport

www.ataturkairport.com

Shuttle:

We arrange a direct transport by minibus from Istanbul Airport.

Shuttle transport is only possible in teams. Please inform us until the 14th September about your time of arrival and departure. Please also inform us about the number of riders and accompanist (Team captain, etc.).

4. Accommodation

Hotels and other accommodations are at your disposal. Please ask ID+MA for a reservation. We will arrange the booking for the federations or for the riders on the authority of the federations.

Please tell us how many rooms/beds you need. Moreover we need to know your full name, date and place of birth, full address, number of your identity card or passport and your nationality.

You will receive a booking confirmation and information about options for payment (credit card or cash).

We arranged special conditions for you.

Our recommendation: Hotel Çelik Palas and Hotel Kırıcı

These are the official athlete's hotels during the European Championships.

Hotel Çelik Palas:

The historical hotel is located in the famous district Cekirge (city centre) with the best panorama of the city. It is Bursa's first five stars thermal hotel.

Distance to the cableway: ca. 6 km

Prices in Euro: single room 45 Euro; double room 65 Euro (prices are per room)

Hotel Kırıcı:

The hotel is located in the city centre and is one of the most modern three stars hotels in Bursa. It offers services at the highest standard of quality.

Distance to the cableway: ca. 8 km

Prices in Euro: single room 47,50 Euro; double room 68,50 Euro

We are still in negotiation to offer you a survey of hotels and a camping ground.

5. "Nice to have" for the riders

- Free drinks and food (breakfast at your hotel)

- Special riders area
- Free entrance to the rider parties
- Board supervision over night: please note that you store your material within an board-bag or the like; we do not safeguard any single parts; you will get sticker to mark your material
- Sponsored extra friends-passes to buy

You are able to buy friends-passes for your parents or accompanists during your registration at location (they have to access the rider's area and get drinks and food for free; valid for 3 days).

Costs

will be announced in Bulletin 2.

6. Entry Fee

Juniors and Boys/Girls	100, - Euro/person
Open Men/Women and Masters	140, - Euro/person

The entry fee must be paid cash in Euro latest when you registrate at the competition venue.

6.2. Nomination & entry

It is in the responsibility of the National Federations to nominate their riders.

The number of participators per each age category or Open is not limited.

No minimum entry is required. The official nomination of the riders has to be sent by the federations.

Official entry forms you'll find in Bulletin 2 and on official website. Don't forget official deadline is 10 days before practice day, if you send entry form later you'll have to pay penalty to EC.

7. Conditions

The EAME Cable Wakeboard European Championships 2008 will be carried out according to the IWSF World Cable-Wakeboard-Council rules 2008. Please note that you have to wear a suitable helmet in the wakeboard course.

A full copy of the rules will be available at:

www.cablewakeboard.net and www.eame.be

8. Categories

A rider's age as of **1st January 2008** of the current year will be used to determine the age bracket.

Dolphins/ Trolls/ Mini Boys

If a rider was born in the following years, then they qualify for this category:

1997 and after

Dolphins/ Trolls/ Mini Girls

If a rider was born in the following years, then they qualify for this category:

1997 and after

Boys

If a rider was born in the following years, then they qualify for this category:

1996 – 1995 – 1994 - 1993

Girls

If a rider was born in the following years, then they qualify for this category:

1996 – 1995 – 1994 - 1993

Junior Men

If a rider was born in the following years, then they qualify for this category:

1992 - 1991 - 1990 - 1989

Junior Ladies

If a rider was born in the following years, then they qualify for this category:

1992 - 1991 - 1990 - 1989

Open Men

No age restriction

Open Ladies

No age restriction

Masters - Men

If a rider was born in **1977 or before**.

Masters - Ladies

If a rider was born in **1977 or before**.

Veterans - Men

If a rider was born in 1967 or before.

Veterans - Ladies

If a rider was born in 1967 or before

"There will be a minimum of 6 riders required to open a category, with the exception of Mini Boys, Mini Girls, Girls and Junior Ladies, where 4 riders of at least three different nationalities are required. If a category can not be opened, riders can take part in the next category. i.E.: mini girls will start in the girls category or veterans in the master category and so on."

9. License

All riders should be members of their respective country's IWSF affiliated Federation. In addition, entrants from EAME should have the EAME International Wakeboard License (National Federations register their riders' licenses online). Here's how it works: IWSF (International Waterski Federation) has a network of +80 National Federations. Only the National Federation can send the entry forms for the European Championships. By entering riders for the European Championships, National Federations certify that the registered riders are in possession of a wakeboard license and a valid insurance.

Each National Federation selects its team and decides on allowing the individual entries. If you are not sure how it works in your neighbourhood, how to find the nearest club or the federation contact, please contact us and we'll provide information for you.

Exceptions: Riders from countries that don't have a Wakeboard/Waterski Federation affiliated to IWSF can register for the European Championships. Please contact us if you come from a country not affiliated to IWSF, we'll help you to arrange the insurance policy and a permission for individual entry.

10. Athletes Registration

Your dates of registration are at 15th and 16th October 2008 till 03:00 pm. Please bring along your passport or ID in order to identify yourself as well as a copy of your license.

More information concerning the registration office will be announced in bulletin 2.

11. Doping control

In accordance with the IWSF Anti-Doping Policy, random drug testing may be conducted on any of the competition days.

More information will be announced in bulletin 2.

12. Training

Official training: Thursday and Friday (16th and 17th October 2008) before the competition

Official training in teams/groups, no payment

Trainings will be allocated per nation and after announcement. It is very important to register your team in advance.

13. Timetable (provisional)

Thursday, October 16th

Official training in teams, no payment

Friday, October 17th

Official training in teams, no payment

Opening ceremony

Party

Saturday, October 18th

Team captains meeting

Qualification for all categories

LCQ, Semi-finals

Party

Sunday, October 19th

Semi-finals

Finals
Prize Giving Ceremony

14. Attention – Intention to Enter:

Please send the following **Intention to Enter** before 17th August 2008 via post, fax or e-mail to the following addresses:

Cable Wakeboard Council

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Please note:

For all EAME Titled Events the EAME office will send an 'Intention to Enter' form to the Federations. This 'Intention to Enter' form has to be returned to the organising Federation and to the EAME office with a deadline of *two months* before the start of the competition.

A Federation entering a team (even of only one skier) after that deadline, will be fined 200 Euro.

***Looking forward to ride with you.
Please inform us about your participation as soon as possible.
If you need help, please feel free to contact us!!!***

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT:

For questions about license, intention to enter:

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If you have questions about the event, the organisation, accommodation, etc.:

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See you in Bursa!