



## **Barefoot Waterski Australia (BWA)**

# **2026 Rule Book**

### **BWA Membership Requirements**

1. Candidate must be a member in good standing of Waterski and Wakeboard Australia (WAWA).
2. To achieve a Barefoot Membership Number and Badge from Barefoot Waterski Australia (also known as BWA), the candidate must maintain a Barefoot Skiing Position (BSP) (Ref: Rule 102 (A) of the IWWF World Barefoot Technical Rules) whilst barefooting longline behind the boat for a minimum of SIXTY seconds for adult candidates and THIRTY seconds for juniors (aged 16 & Under) candidates.
3. Losing the handle after the candidate signals the boat to proceed but before BSP has been displayed for SIXTY seconds constitutes a failed attempt.  
The examiner may give a re-run only if they believe the candidate was not at fault.
4. Only THREE attempts may be made on any single day.
5. A candidate is responsible for obtaining the boat, driver and BWA approved examiner.  
The examiner may act as the observer.

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## **RULE 1 – GENERAL**

The following Australian amendments take precedence over the corresponding numbered World Rules or are additional rules for Barefoot Waterski Australia (BWA) & Waterski & Wakeboard Australia (WAWA) sanctioned tournaments.

- 1.01** These rules are to be read in conjunction with the IWWF World Barefoot Council (WBC) Barefoot Technical Rules.
- 1.02** The rules set forth here shall: Govern the Australian Barefoot Waterski Championships (Nationals), define the divisions of competition and their requirements, define divisions for national records, define official's requirements, and define all requirements for Australian Barefoot water ski endurance records.
- 1.03** All clubs affiliated with BWA are encouraged follow these rules.
- 1.04** The Australian Barefoot Waterski Championships shall be contested annually and shall be scheduled to be held over a period approved by the BWA Committee.
- 1.05** INTERPRETATION OF THE RULES  
Questions of interpretation of the rules shall be referred by the Chief Judge to the BWA President or their nominee, who shall, whenever possible, immediately convene a BWA Executive Board meeting to address the issue.  
All interpretations made by the BWA Executive Board shall be considered final.  
If a BWA Executive Board meeting cannot be convened in a timely manner, the interpretation shall be made by a majority vote of the Appointed Officials, and the Chief Judge shall submit a complete report to the BWA President within SEVEN days of the event.
- 1.06** AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES  
The BWA Committee shall amend these Rules, and such amendments shall become effective THIRTY days after the amendment(s) have been circulated to the Secretary of each BWA affiliated State.  
Any amendment/s deemed necessary between meetings shall be approved by a simple majority vote of the BWA Executive Board.  
No rule change shall be made between the 30<sup>th</sup> of November of the tournament season and the Nationals unless such rule change is an IWWF WBC World Rule, or by a unanimous agreement of all states.
- 1.07** VALIDITY  
The inability of any State to attend the Australian National Barefoot Waterski Championships for any reason shall never require that the Nationals be cancelled or postponed or that the Championships would be any less than the Australian Barefoot Waterski Championships.
- 1.08** VOTING  
Every vote of Appointed Officials or Event Judges shall be decided by a simple majority.  
In the case of a tie, the Chief Judge shall cast the deciding vote.  
The required officials should be assembled as a group and fully informed of all issues before any discussion and taking the vote.

## **RULE 2 – NATIONAL BAREFOOT TOURNAMENT EVENTS**

### **2.01a EVENTS.**

The tournament events for all divisions are Slalom and Trick.  
A champion and all succeeding places shall be determined in each event.  
Additional events of Jump and Overall are included for the divisions listed below.

### **2.01b JUMP**

Jump is included in the following divisions: Open Men & Open Women, Men 1 & Women 1, Senior Men & Senior Women, U23 Men & U23 Women, and Junior Boys & Junior Girls, provided they have the minimum jump proficiency rating outlined in Rule 4.07.  
Sub-Juniors shall be allowed to jump when necessary for Australian Team Selection, with the prior approval of BWA, provided they hold a current jump proficiency rating. In this situation, this jump score shall never count towards overall scoring.  
\*Veterans division athletes shall be allowed to jump if they hold a current jump proficiency rating and that the jump score shall never count towards overall scoring.

### **2.01c OVERALL CHAMPION**

A champion and all succeeding places shall also be determined for the Individual Overall Event for ALL Divisions.

### **2.01d NON JUMP DIVISIONS**

There shall be no Jump event in the Under 10, Sub-Junior Boys & Sub-Junior Girls, Men 2 & Women 2, \*Veterans, Masters, Super Masters, and Grand Masters divisions, with the exception of Rule 2.01b.

### **2.01e. OVERALL SCORES**

Overall scores for the State Team Event shall be determined as detailed in Rule 5.

### **2.02a ROUNDS.**

Each event shall consist of a minimum of TWO ROUNDS, a preliminary round and final round.

### **2.02b TO QUALIFY**

The athlete must post a positive score in the preliminary round to qualify to ski in the final round of any event.

### **2.02c QUALIFIED SKIERS**

All qualified athletes shall ski TWO ROUNDS, unless 2.09b force majeure prevents two rounds from being completed (e.g. circumstances beyond the control of all parties)

In exceptional circumstances (e.g. numbers of entries, severe weather, major delays, etc.), the Chief Judge may adopt the following for all divisions, with the approval of the BWA Executive: -

In the case of the final round, only the first EIGHT women and first TEN men Open athletes based on the results from the preliminary round, shall be qualified to ski in the final round of that event.

For all other divisions, 50% or SIX, whichever is the greater, shall be qualified to ski in the Final round of that event.

### **2.02d INVITATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL ATHLETES**

Any international or invitational athletes qualified to ski in the final round shall be added to the numbers required in that division.

### **2.02e TIED SCORES**

If there is a tie for the final athlete to advance to the final round, all tied athletes shall go to the final round.

**2.02f** ADVANCING TO FINAL ROUND

If there are SIX OR FEWER athletes in any division at the Championships, all athletes in that division who have posted a positive score in the preliminary round shall advance to the final round.

**2.03a** SCHEDULE OF EVENTS.

The Host State Secretary shall circulate the dates of the Australian Barefoot Waterski Championships to all State Secretaries no later than SIX months before the start of the Championships.

**2.03b** SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

The Tournament Director shall provide a proposed schedule of events, approved by the Chief Judge, to the BWA President 45 days before the start of the Championships for approval by the BWA Committee.

**2.03c** DAILY SCHEDULE

The Tournament Director shall provide the daily schedule, showing the order of events, the dates on which they will occur, and the starting hour for competition each day, to all State Secretaries no later than THIRTY days before the start of the tournament.

A schedule of starting times for events, if shown, shall be for the guidance of the athletes only, and any division therefrom shall not constitute a change.

**2.03d** SCHEDULE DISTRIBUTION

The Tournament Director shall send a schedule showing the draw order for each division and events entered for all skiers, to all State Secretaries and the Chief Judge, SEVEN days before the start of the tournament.

**2.03e** HOMOLOGATION

Unless previous arrangements for homologation have been put in place, under the supervision of the Chief Judge, the Local Organising Committee (LOC) shall hand over the tournament site and all equipment to the Homologator, for homologation at midday on the day prior to the commencement of official practice.

**2.03f** USE OF HOMOLOGATED EQUIPMENT

After commencement of homologation, no tournament equipment shall be used for any purpose other than conducting the Australian Championships.

Exceptions may include promotional content or other important activities authorised by the BWA President or their nominee that shall be coordinated with the Chief Judge and the Homologator in mind.

**2.03g** PENALTY REGARDING HOMOLOGATED EQUIPMENT

Any athlete who uses the tournament site or equipment after the commencement of homologation, unfairly or without prior permission of the Chief Judge and Homologator, shall be immediately disqualified from the tournament.

**2.04** NATIONAL ENTRY FORM

Each State shall provide on the National Entry Form, including the athlete's intention to participate.

Scores used for seeding purposes shall be the athlete's best scores from any RANKING LIST (RL) tournament since and including the preceding Australian Championships.

**2.05** STARTING ORDER

Once the Entry's list has been closed, the order of the athletes shall be seeded and posted.

All groups shall be seeded from the most recent IWWF Barefoot Ranking List.

If an athlete has no ranking, then their seeding score shall be zero.

- No change to this order of athletes is allowed except that a Team Manager may withdraw an athlete from the competition.

Once the starting order is posted, the athlete must present themselves at the starting dock in time for their turn.

In the final round of an event, the starting order shall be seeded in the reverse order of their placement from the preliminary round of that event.

A coin toss shall break any ties in placement.

#### **2.06 STARTING ORDER OF DIVISIONAL GROUPS**

Before the start of the tournament, the Chief Judge shall post the order that the groups within each division shall ski.

The starting order of the groups shall only be varied by initiation from the Chief Judge.

#### **2.07 FAMILIARISATION**

In their best efforts, the LOC shall provide all athletes the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the tournament site and equipment, under the authority and responsibility of the Chief Judge.

The LOC shall be responsible for allocating time for those athletes wishing to practice on the site.

The fee for Familiarisation shall be set by the hosting State, with all payments to be made by each State attending, direct to the LOC.

#### **2.08 DRIVER FAMILIARISATION**

The selected boat drivers shall make themselves available for familiarisation under the supervision of the Chief Judge and Chief Driver from midday on the day prior to commencement of official practice.

The driver familiarisation will include tournament course, jump course and acceleration rates.

#### **2.09a COMPLETION OF THE TOURNAMENT**

Once the tournament has started, the appointed officials do not have the authority to cancel any event.

The tournament must be completed, even if the appointed officials are obliged to continue it in a neighbouring community, unless the BWA Committee decide otherwise, based on the recommendation of the Chief Judge.

#### **2.09b ABANDONMENT OF TOURNAMENT**

Should the BWA Committee abandon the tournament; the following conditions shall apply:

1. Should the tournament be abandoned, e.g. due to 'Force Majeure' before the completion of the preliminary round, no overall champions shall be declared, however for any completed preliminary round events, the winner shall be named as the event champion.
2. Should the tournament be abandoned before the completion of the entire final round, the following conditions shall apply:
  - i) Any division that has completed all events in both rounds shall use standard overall scoring rules;
  - ii) Any division needs to complete all events in both rounds shall calculate overall scoring using first round scores only.
  - iii) Event places shall be determined for all completed rounds.
  - iv) Team scoring shall be calculated entirely on the preliminary round.

## **RULE 3 – DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION AND RATINGS**

### **3.01 OPEN RATINGS**

Athletes may enter the Open Division with qualifying scores in ONE event.

### **3.02 SKIING OUT OF DIVISION**

Only the following athletes may ski outside of their age division:

1. Sub-Juniors may ski Juniors or Open if they hold the necessary ratings.
2. Juniors may ski Open if they hold the necessary ratings.
3. Any athlete may ski Open if they hold a minimum of ONE Open rating
4. Athletes aged between of 35 and 44 may ski their age division or Mens2/Women 2 if rated.
5. Athletes aged 45 and over may ski in Seniors
6. Athletes aged 18-23 may ski in Womens2/Mens 2 if rated.
7. Athletes aged 35 & over are not permitted to ski Mens/Womens 1

### **3.03 ONE DIVISION ONLY**

No athlete is allowed to enter more than one division at the Australian Championships.

### **3.04 DIVISIONS**

#### **3.04A UNDER 10s**

Unisex, age-restricted, Under 10 years old.

Athletes will participate in TWO EVENTS - Trick & Slalom.

There shall be NO OVERALL scoring.

Any child under the age of 10 at midnight, December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships, can ski in this division. Refer age matrix below.

Boys and Girls will compete in the same division at the same time.

Medals/certificates shall be awarded to athletes that score a PB and another for participating.

Medals shall never be awarded for places on the podium.

Medals/certificates will be presented to every competitor in this division at the closing ceremony.

#### **3.04B SUB JUNIORS**

Sub Junior Boys and Sub Junior Girls, Under 14 age restricted.

Athletes must be under the age of 14 at midnight, December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships. Refer age matrix below.

Overall shall be based on TWO EVENTS – Slalom & Trick.

There shall be no jump unless the athlete is seeking National Team selection or holds the necessary jump rating (refer Rule 4.07) on the basis that their jump score shall never counted towards the overall.

#### **3.04C JUNIORS**

Junior Boys and Junior Girls - age restricted, Under 17-year-old

Athletes must be under the age of 17 at midnight, December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships. Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring shall be based on all THREE EVENTS – Trick, Slalom & Jump.

#### **3.04D UNDER 23 MEN & UNDER 23 WOMEN**

Young Men and Young Women - age restricted.

Athletes must be between 17 & under 23 at midnight, December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships. Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring shall be based on all THREE EVENTS – Trick, Slalom & Jump.

### **3.04E MEN 2 & WOMEN 2**

Age restricted.

Athletes entered must be between 18 & under 45 at midnight, December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships. Refer age matrix below. Qualifying scores for this division is less than 1000 Tricks & 7.5 Slalom.

Overall scoring shall be based on TWO EVENTS - Slalom and Trick.

### **3.04F MEN 1 & WOMEN 1**

Age restricted.

Athletes entered must be between 18 & 34 at midnight, December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships. Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring shall be based on all THREE EVENTS – Trick, Slalom & Jump

To qualify for Womens/Men 1, the athlete must score Trick 1000, Slalom 7.5

Skiers achieving the break out scores from Mens 2/Womens 2 Division of Slalom 7.5, Tricks 1000 will be then required to ski their Age Divisions. i.e. Under 23 and Senior Division.

Only skiers 23-35 shall be eligible for the Mens/Womens 1 division

### **3.04G OPEN MEN & OPEN WOMEN**

Overall scoring shall be based on all THREE EVENTS – Trick, Slalom & Jump.

Athletes holding ONE Open rating shall be allowed to enter the Open Division.

Athletes holding TWO Open ratings (see Rule 4.07, 3.01 and 3.02) shall automatically be entered in the Open Division with the exception of Age based Divisions who may choose to compete in their age Division but not both.

To qualify for Open Men, the athlete must score in a minimum of TWO EVENTS –  
Trick 3200, Slalom 15, Jump 20 metres.

To qualify for Open Women, the athlete must score in a minimum of TWO EVENTS –  
Trick 1500, Slalom 10, Jump 11 metres.

All previous Open Men's and Women's Overall Champions are eligible for entry to the Australian Barefoot Water Ski Championships with the endorsement of the Barefoot Australia Board. Such endorsement is to be approved no later than 21 days prior to the event or by the final entry date for the Championships whichever is the latter.

Previous Open Men's and Women's Overall champions may enter any or all events.

Jump rule 4.07 will apply for all skiers wishing to enter the Jump event.

The Barefoot Australia Board shall enter all skiers qualified as independents and skiers will not be associated with any teams for the purpose of Team / State scoring for the Holland Shield.

### **3.04H SENIOR MEN & SENIOR WOMEN**

Age restricted.

Athletes must be at least 35 years of age at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships to ski in this division. Refer age matrix below

Overall scoring shall be based on all THREE EVENTS – Trick, Slalom & Jump.

### **3.04i VETERAN MEN & VETERAN WOMEN**

Age restricted.

Athletes must be at least 45 years of age at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> and younger than 53 years old at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships. Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring based on TWO EVENTS – Trick & Slalom

Jump is optional if the athlete holds a jump rating outlined in Rule 4.07.

Jump scores shall never count to overall.

**3.04J MASTER MEN & MASTER WOMEN**

Age restricted.

Athletes must be at least 53 years old at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> and younger than 60 years old at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships; Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring based on TWO EVENTS – Trick & Slalom. No Jump event.

**3.04K SUPER MASTER MEN & SUPER MASTER WOMEN**

Age restricted.

Athletes must be at least 60 years old at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> and younger than 67 years old at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before the Australian Championships; Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring based on TWO EVENTS – Trick & Slalom. No Jump event.

**3.04L GRAND MASTERS**

Age restricted; Male and Females ski together.

Athletes must be at least 67 years old at midnight on December 31<sup>st</sup> year before the Australian Championships; Refer age matrix below.

Overall scoring based on TWO EVENTS – Trick & Slalom. No Jump event.

Athletes may choose to ski in Super Masters only if they are the only skier in the division.

**3.05 AGE OF SKIER**

Ages are to be taken from January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the competition is held, Refer age matrix below.

## **RULE 4 – TOURNAMENT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

### **4.01 STATE TEAM SELECTION**

Each BWA - affiliated State has the right to select a team consisting of any number of athletes per division.

### **4.02a TEAM CAPTAIN & TEAM MANAGER REQUIREMENT**

Each State must provide an Official Team Manager and Team Captain to represent their State in the Australian Championships.

### **4.02b TEAM ENTRY SUBMITTAL**

Each State Secretary shall send their State Team Entry spreadsheet to the LOC secretary not later than FOURTEEN days before the commencement of the official familiarisation; including names, divisions and events entered by each athlete.

This Entry information will be forwarded to the Chief Judge.

### **4.02c TEAM MANAGER & TEAM CAPTAIN APPOINTMENT**

Each State Secretary shall be required to send to the Chief Judge not later than FOURTEEN days before the commencement of official familiarisation, the name, address, email address and telephone number of the States Team Manager and Team Captain.

### **4.02d TEAM ENTRY REQUIREMENT**

Each State Secretary shall certify and forward their State's Team Entry to the Secretary of the Host State not later than FOURTEEN days before the official familiarisation.

The official entry form should display the name of its Team, the event(s) each team member has entered, the division each team member has entered and any other information requested on the official entry form.

This certification of each State shall be to the authenticity and eligibility of each athlete entering the Australian Championships in that year.

The Team Entry will be forwarded to the Chief Judge so that scheduling obligations can commence.

### **4.02e CHIEF JUDGE CONTACT**

The Secretary of the Host State shall send the name, email and mobile number of the Chief Judge to each State Secretary, not later than TWENTY-EIGHT days before to the commencement of official familiarisation for the National Championships.

### **4.03 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR SKIERS**

The minimum qualifications required by athletes entering the Australian Championships shall be determined annually by the BWA Committee at the Annual General Meeting.

### **4.04 ATHLETE REQUIREMENTS**

All skiers must hold a BWA Badge Number and be current members of WAWA to compete in Tournaments. EMS Registration is also a requirement to enter.

### **4.05a SKIER ELIGIBILITY**

For skiers to be eligible to compete in all Australian Tournaments, they must be qualified, according to Rule 3 guidelines.

### **4.05b QUALIFYING SCORES TIME FRAME**

The scores to satisfy Australian Entry Requirements in 4.05a should be attained during the previous complete season and the current season to date.

The season shall be defined as the period between the Previous Australian Championships & the coming Australian Championships.

Qualifying scores for Tricks and Slalom, where achieved, shall remain for a period of 10 years. Individuals applying for Exception of Rule 4.05 and Rule 4.07 must also complete two RL tournaments during the season for the BWA Board to recognise their current skill level and competency to compete in Jump.

The exception and exemption application should come in the form of an email to BWA stating their reasons, followed by results sent in over the year.

Skiers Qualifying score for Jump, where achieved, shall remain for a period of 24 months, skiers are required to satisfy 4.07 after 24 months.

#### **4.06 WAKEBOARD & WATERSKI AUSTRALIA MEMBERSHIP**

Athletes & Officials in all BWA Sanctioned events must be financial members of WAWA. All State Championship and Australian Championship competitions require a full WAWA membership to participate.

#### **4.07 JUMP PROFICIENCY**

Athletes shall only be allowed to jump with achieving the required jump proficiency.

An athlete must have attained a jump proficiency with the minimum event scores of 7.5 in Slalom and 1000 in Tricks.

Athletes must be trained by BWA approved qualified Jump Coach and authorised to jump, before attempting Jump, in training and competition.

An athlete must hold a positive Jump score from two approved RL tournaments within the past 24 months to be eligible to enter the jump event, under the supervision of a qualified jump coach.

### **RULE 5 – EVENT, OVERALL AND TEAM COMPETITION**

#### **5.01a FINALIST DRAW**

Event placement among finalists.

Athletes qualifying under Rule 2.02, shall be based on their final round results only, except that finalists who do not score in the final round shall be placed in the order of their first round scores, after all those who do score in the final.

#### **5.01b FINALIST ATHLETE ORDER**

An athlete who qualifies to go into the final round shall be placed higher than all athletes who do not, regardless of his/her score in the final round.

#### **5.02 OVERALL SCORE INCLUSION**

An athlete's best score in either the preliminary or final round shall be counted towards the calculating of the overall score.

In determining overall placing's, the athlete with the best score in each event shall be awarded 1000 overall points.

Each remaining athlete shall receive points for each event in the proportion that the score bears to the best score in that event. NOTE. See IWWF WBC Rule 2104.

#### **5.03 PLACING**

Places in all the individual overall championship shall be determined by adding each athlete's best score from the preliminary or final round's overall points in all events in their division.

#### **5.04 TEAM SCORING**

#### **5.05 OVERALL TEAM SCORES**

In the Team Overall scores, the best FOUR Men, Women, Senior Men, Senior Women, Veteran Men, Veteran Women, combined and the best THREE Juniors and Sub-Juniors combined shall

be used in the Team Scoring for the Australian Championships.  
The athletes whose scores are used for the Team Scoring shall be identified on the team scoring sheets.

#### **5.06 TEAM SCORING RESULTS**

Team Scoring results shall be announced and distributed no later than 10.00pm at the Presentation Dinner.

Protests shall be lodged within one hour of such announcement.

NOTE: U23's, Men & women 1, Men 2 and Women 2 scores will be calculated against the Open Men and Open Women's scores for Team Scoring.

Grand Masters, Super Masters, and Masters Womens and Mens scores are to be calculated against Veteran Womens and Veteran Mens scores respectively.

U10 scores will be calculated against the Sub Junior Boys and Girls

### **RULE 6 – OFFICIALS**

Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Judges, Homologator, Chief Scorer, Scorers, Chief Driver, Drivers.

#### **6.01 CHIEF JUDGE, ASSISTANT CHIEF JUDGE, HOMOLOGATOR, CHIEF SCORER, CHIEF DRIVER, CHIEF VIDEO**

The BWA Board shall appoint the Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Homologator, Chief Scorer, Chief Driver & Chief Video for the Australian Barefoot Water Ski Championships from those nominated by Barefoot Divisions of each State and/or committee by 30<sup>th</sup> November each year.

The BWA Secretary shall receive all nominations no later than 30<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **6.02 JUDGES, SCORERS**

The BWA Board shall appoint the Judges and Scorers from those proposed by the Barefoot Divisions of each State.

All State Nominations shall be received by the Secretary no later than **eight weeks** before the event.

Those appointed shall be notified of their acceptance at least six weeks before to the Event.

#### **6.03 CHIEF JUDGE**

The Chief Judge shall supervise all Judging and scoring operations and shall select the appropriate number of Judges and Assistants for each event.

Such Judges shall be of the highest level available in Australia.

Each appointed Judge must be given the opportunity to officiate in each Slalom, Trick and Jump events during the tournament.

The Chief Judge shall not serve as an event Judge without written approval by the BWA Executive Board

#### **6.04 ASSISTANT CHIEF JUDGE**

The Assistant Chief Judge/s shall carry out the duties delegated by the Chief Judge.

The Assistant Chief Judges may serve as an Event Judge if required.

Should two or more events need to be run concurrently on different homologated sites, the Assistant Chief Judge/s shall preside as directed by the Chief Judge.

#### **6.05 HOST STATE / TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR**

The Host State shall be responsible for the officially organising of the Australian Championships.

The Host State shall appoint a Tournament Director who shall be accountable to the BWA and Chief Judge before & during the Tournament.

#### **6.06 VIDEO OPERATIONS**

The BWA Executive shall appoint a Chief Video Coordinator and experienced Video Operators from those nominated by the Barefoot Division of each State as per rule 6.02, who shall be answerable to the Chief Judge.

The Chief Video Coordinator shall oversee the complete arrangements for the Video Operations. The Chief Video shall find and replay video footage from the boats for Judging purposes where required.

A video operator and camera shall ride in the boat at all times to make a video for the use of the Event Judges as required.

#### **6.07 DRIVERS**

The BWA Executive shall appoint the Chief Boat driver from those nominations submitted by the Barefoot Division of each State.

A maximum of one boat driver may be from any one State, however, if insufficient drivers are nominated from the States, more than one driver from any State may be appointed.

The Host State has the option to appoint two drivers.

The Chief Driver shall never be regarded as one of the designated drivers by the State.

The Chief Judge shall assign the boat driver for each event.

#### **6.08 SUPPORT OFFICIALS**

Additional Judges/Officials/Drivers to fill secondary positions (or to replace unavailable officials) shall be selected by the Chief Judge from State Nominations submitted; in order of merit and subject to availability.

Qualifications obtained by these Officials up to the commencement of the tournament shall be considered.

#### **6.09 BOATS**

Where possible, a two boat system for the jump event should be used.

### **RULE 7 – AUSTRALIAN AMENDMENTS TO WORLD RULES**

#### **7.01 WORLD RULES**

World Rules as set out in the current edition of the IWWF WBC Barefoot Technical Rules shall be substituted into this Australian Rule Book, except where Australian amendments have been made.

### **RULE 8 – SAFETY**

#### **8.01 SAFETY DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT**

At least TWO weeks before the Tournament, the LOC shall appoint a Safety Director.

The LOC may seek out additional qualified assistants as necessary to assist with events.

## **RULE 9 – RECORDS Including Endurance Record Attempts**

Australian Records shall be maintained for the Sub Juniors, Juniors, U23, Open, Seniors and Veterans divisions; World records in all world divisions.

### **9.0 RECORD MAINTENANCE**

The maintenance of Australian Records shall be the responsibility of the BWA Committee.  
All record applications shall be adjudicated upon by the 'Records Ratification Sub-Committee' appointed by the BWA Committee.

#### **9.01 RECORD RECOGNITION**

World and Region records set by an Australian shall automatically be recognised as an Australian Record.  
Athletes from all divisions are eligible to hold Open Men/Womens records.

#### **9.02 TOURNAMENT (WHERE SET)**

Records may be set only at homologated Record Capable tournaments per the WBC Rule Book sanctioned by the BWA, a State or an affiliated federation.  
A claim for a trick or slalom record must be accompanied by a video recording the passes constituting the record, in digital format, readily accessible for the review committee.  
The athlete's judge's sheets must also be made available to the Records Sub Committee.

#### **9.03 ENDURANCE EVENT RECORD**

The longest officially authenticated time for the endurance event shall be a new record if it exceeds by ONE second or more the official record performed on a date before the attempt.  
If the longest time equals the existing record time, the skier shall become co-holder of the established record.

#### **9.04 VERIFICATION OF RECORD ATTAINMENT**

Specifications of equipment, courses and measuring devices shall be as set out hereunder and by the official Record forms, which must be completed and certified by the Homologator, Chief Judge and other required officials.

For trick and slalom records, a video of the runs taken in accordance with the rules must accompany the Affidavit.

The State Committee shall, in writing, advise the BWA Records Chairman within SEVEN days of any proposed records.

The completed records documentation, as detailed in the current policy book, together with the logged video shall be sent or handed to the BWA Records Chairman within SEVEN days  
For all records, the Records Review Committee shall scrutinise the applications and supporting documentation, and in the case of a trick or slalom record, view the video provided.

They shall then vote on the application.

The BWA Records Chairman shall then advise the President of the BWA of the approved record application and formally advise the skier in writing of the result.

# AGE MATRIX

## Australian Senior divisions

Year of Competition	Division		Division		Division		Division		Division	
	Seniors 35-44	Year of Birth	Veterans 45-52	Year of Birth	Masters 53-59	Year of Birth	Super Masters 60-66	Year of Birth	Grand Masters 67and over	Year of Birth
2024		1988		1978		1970		1963		1956
2025		1989		1979		1971		1964		1957
2026		1990		1980		1972		1965		1958
2027		1991		1981		1973		1966		1959
2028		1992		1982		1974		1967		1960
2029		1993		1983		1975		1968		1961
2030		1994		1984		1976		1969		1962
2031		1995		1985		1977		1970		1963
2032		1996		1986		1978		1971		1964
2033		1997		1987		1979		1972		1965
2034		1998		1988		1980		1973		1966
2035		1999		1989		1981		1974		1967
2036		2000		1990		1982		1975		1968
2037		2001		1991		1983		1976		1969
2038		2002		1992		1984		1977		1970
2039		2003		1993		1985		1978		1971
2040		2004		1994		1986		1979		1972

## Australian U23 and Junior Age divisions

Year of Competition	Division		Division		Division		Division	
	Under 10		Under 14		Junior / Under 17		Under 23	
	-10 M	Year of Birth	-14 M	Year of Birth	-17 M	Year of Birth	-23 M	Year of Birth
2024		2014		2010		2007		2001
2025		2015		2011		2008		2002
2026		2016		2012		2009		2003
2027		2017		2013		2010		2004
2028		2018		2014		2011		2005
2029		2019		2015		2012		2006
2030		2020		2016		2013		2007
2031		2021		2017		2014		2008
2032		2022		2018		2015		2009
2033		2023		2019		2016		2010
2034		2024		2020		2017		2011
2035		2025		2021		2018		2012
2036		2026		2022		2019		2013
2037		2027		2023		2020		2014
2038		2028		2024		2021		2015
2039		2029		2025		2022		2016
2040		2030		2026		2023		2017