



Minimum Safety Requirements at an IrWWF Event

In the interests of Safety and a consistent approach across the board, The IrWWF Management Committee outline below the following Minimum Safety Requirements which must be in place in order for Funding to be released for an event.

1. A statement in writing with the following:
 - (a) We (Name of Club) are responsible for any accidents, loss, damage, or personal injury arising at the event,
 - (b) We (Name of Club) hold appropriate insurance to cover any such claims,
 - (c) We (Name of Club) indemnify the IrWWF against any such claim, and
 - (d). We (Name of Club) understand that the IrWWF has no insurance for such claims.

This will form part of the Official Event Documentation Appendix (B)

2. There Must be in place a Safety Plan for the event which will allocate certain functions to specific people in the event of an Incident, either on or off the water, this will form part of the Official Event Documentation. Appendix(B)
3. Where a Boat is in use (Non Cable Event) same should be in Good working order and fitted with First Aid Kit, Fire Extinguisher. All persons on board should wear buoyancy aid / Life Jacket.
4. All Boats, when in use for Competition, MUST have an observer on board. Said observer must be over 18 yrs old and briefed ahead of Competition by the Driver / Chief Judge (The observer can be a Judge who is judging the event)
5. All Drivers / Cable Operators must be familiar with the equipment in use, be it a Boat or Cable System.
6. In advance of any Event, the Chief Judge or Event Organiser shall hold a Safety Briefing for all Officials. A Record of same should be added to the Official Event Documentation Appendix(B)
7. In advance of any Event, the Chief Judge or Event Organiser shall hold a Safety Briefing for all Competitors. Again, a template would be good, so no one can say, I wasn't told that.
8. A Crewed Rescue Craft MUST be in the Water at National Championships.

9. A Rescue Craft should be on the water at all other Competitions.
10. A Jetty Marshal should be used at all events, the Jetty Marshal will have responsibility for the safe operation of the jetty ensuring that any hazards are clearly marked and the Jetty is marshalled to ensure the safety of Athletes and Officials. The Jetty Marshal may, if necessary, have others to assist them on the Jetty.
11. Smoking is prohibited on the Jetty.
12. When Refueling is in progress only those necessary on the jetty should be allowed to remain.
13. In the Case of a National Championship there MUST be an Ambulance and Crew on site during the event (i.e. not required during practice).
14. There should be a Clear Access and Egress Route for Emergency vehicles throughout the Event.
15. A Defibrillator MUST be on site with suitably trained personnel who can use same.
16. When placing Flags / Banners or other advertising materials, they should be properly affixed so as to eliminate the risk of same blowing across the course.
17. The Chief Judge is responsible for Safety of the event on the water and Jetty and will ensure that they keep a record of briefings and any incidents. This will also form part of the Official Event Documentation
18. There should be a De-Brief at the end of the event and any significant safety matters should be highlighted and included in the Event Report to the Federation. This will assist in risk management going forward.

Safety Briefing Template;

Role	Responsible For	Individuals Responsible
Event Organiser	<p>Overall safe running of event including site, water access and safety, Insurance, and conforming with all Legal and Federation Regulations concerning the event type</p> <p>Provide Communications between Officials (Two way radios or equivalent)</p>	
Chief Judge	<p>Overall Event Safety.</p> <p>Ensure all Safety Briefings are done</p> <p>Ensure all equipment is safe and up to requisite standards</p> <p>Be on site for the entire event duration, if the CJ must leave they must appoint a Deputy for that period.</p> <p>Provide guidance and advice to all Officials at the event</p> <p>Communicate with Event Organiser any matters that need attention</p> <p>Be confident that before the event starts that it is safe to do so</p> <p>Stop the event if anything could impact of the safe running of the</p>	

	<p>event, (Including Weather and other environmental issues) Provide a report on the event to the Event Organiser</p>	
<p>Chief Driver</p>	<p>Ensure that the Boat is in good mechanical order Make sure all Boat Safety Equipment is in working order (Fire Suppressants, kill switches etc.) Keep control of the Boat at all times when on the water Appoint and Brief other drivers if they are to be used Ensure that all passengers are wearing Buoyancy Aids Communicate with CJ and other officials during the event Oversee all refueling and ensure it is done in a safe manner</p>	
<p>Rope Monkey</p>	<p>Ensure that ropes are properly secured to boat Ensure Ropes are returned to Jetty after each skier / rider has finished their set Communicate with Driver / Observer/ Jetty Marshal if they have any safety concerns</p>	

Cable Operator	<p>Ensure that the Cable system is fully operational and that all ropes are secure</p> <p>Ensure Cable speed is at the agreed competition level</p> <p>Be Vigilant for any obstacles moving during event</p> <p>Be vigilant for riders approaching obstacles at unsafe speeds / angles and stop cable if necessary.</p>	
Observer in Boat	<p>Advising driver of:</p> <p>Fallen skiers</p> <p>Obstructions in the water</p> <p>Other Boats in area</p> <p>Sit close to the Driver so as they can hear any warnings clearly</p> <p>And any other matters that may effect the safe running of the boat in it's environs, it's passengers and the skiers / riders being towed behind.</p>	

<p>Jetty Marshall</p>	<p>Organising skiers/ riders on dock, Advising Announcer who needs to get ready next, Ensuring Ropes, Ski's, Wakeboards and any other objects are removed promptly or otherwise safely stowed so as to leave Jetty un-obstructed. Provide a safe area for Refueling Implement "NO SMOKING" Rule Keep in contact with Drivers, Judges, Commentators and Calculators.</p>	
<p>First Aid Team</p>	<p>Provide Immediate response to Incidents where an Injury may have occurred Provide immediate and professional first line reponse to all critical incidents where an injury has, or may have, occurred Take charge and advise on patient care on site.</p>	
<p>Riders / Skiers</p>	<p>Inform Officials if you notice anything that may affect the safety of Competitors</p>	



Official Event Documentation Checklist

Copy of Event Advertisements

Copy of Statement as set out in Section 1 of Minimum Safety Requirements

Copy of Safety Briefing Documents completed by Chief Judge / Event Organiser Appendix (A)

Copy of Event Safety Plan

Copy of Event Results (link to same will suffice)

Report on Event

Officials List to include

1. Chief Judge
2. Other Judges / Calculators
3. In case of Nationals Homologation Certificate with name of Homologater
4. Drivers / Operators
5. Observers
6. In case of Nationals – First Aid Crew Providers
7. Jetty Marshall(s)

List of Participants with License confirmation for each

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