INFORMATION BULLETIN

IWWF – EC Wakeboard Boat Council proudly presents

IWWF European Wakeboard Boat Seminar

for Judges and Calculators

**to be held in Frankfurt, Germany, April 29 – May 1 2022**

IWWF European Wakeboard International Officials’ Seminars have been held in the following countries to promote wakeboarding and assist with the development of officials:

* Nottingham, UK
* Nemours, France
* Frankfurt, Germany
* Barcelona, Spain
* Brussels, Belgium
* Rome, Italy
* Amsterdam, Netherlands
* Lisbon, Portugal
* Cranes Montana, Switzerland
* Antwerp, Belgium
* Paris, France
* Gothenburg, Sweden
* Johannesburg, South Africa
* Dublin, Ireland
* Birmingham, UK,
* Kyiv, Ukraine
* Copenhagen, Denmark
* Riga, Latvia
* Paris, France
* Belfast, Northern Ireland
* Brussels, Belgium
* Lyon, France

This year the German Waterski and Wakeboard Federation and the European Wakeboard Boat Council welcome you to return to Frankfurt, Germany!

We very much hope that you will take this opportunity to attend the International Judging and Calculator seminar and to develop or update a number of officials from your country, in order to promote wakeboarding.

As with most board sports, wakeboarding uses a subjective scoring system. It is therefore essential that all judges and officials are trained to apply the rules and judging criteria consistently and are equipped with the right tools for the job. This is more important than ever as the skills of the athletes and the changes in rules require the officials to maintain and to update their knowledge to match the developing skills of the athletes

The International Judging and Calculation program has been in place in IWWF – region Europe and Africa since 1999 and judges and officials are required to attend the relevant course, to sit examinations and are rewarded by certification.

The seminar will be held in a relaxed informal atmosphere, with plenty of time for discussion to help learning together and the sharing of experience as well as meeting new friends and old ones within the wakeboarding community.

Discussion and debate at the seminar are particularly useful to increase learning opportunities, to continually update knowledge and improve consistency among judges.

This is vitally important in order to ensure that all Judges progress their knowledge and their experience in accordance with the pace of development and skills of the athletes.

It is very important that ALL international Judges, at ALL levels continue to attend seminars after certification to ensure that your experience is shared and importantly to keep up to date with new developments in judging and scoring.

It is vital that all Federations and Officials become familiar with the new Event Management System (EMS). The EMS will be used by all Disciplines of the IWWF to manage all events and the ranking within each discipline at regional and world level. Athletes and officials will be unable to participate and officiate at any event without an understanding of the EMS and their contribution to the process.

**Judging Examinations** - there are 5 levels of examination:

* 1\* (Assistant National Level 3)
* 2\* (National Level 2)
* 3\* (National Level 1 – National Chief Judge)
* 4\* (International Level 2)
* 5\* (International Level 1)

Each of the levels allows the judges to progress each year, gaining experience along the way.

Typical events that International 5\* judges are qualified to judge are:

* IWWF Europe and Africa Championships
* IWWF International Competitions/ Tour events
* IWWF Wakeboard World Championships
* World Games

The Wakeboard Judging Course:

* The Rules and theory sessions
* The use of the Event Management System (EMS)
* The roles, responsibilities and duties of judges
* Interpretation and decision making
* Recording judging decisions
* Video analysis sessions

Calculation Examinations – there are 3 levels of examination:

* 1\* (National Calculator)
* 2\* (International Level 2)
* 3\* (International Level 1)

The Calculation Course:

* The rules and theory sessions
* The heat system and seeding
* The roles, responsibilities and duties of the calculator – before, during and after the competition
* Planning and scheduling the competition
* Event Management System
* Scoring software

Part of the calculation session will be held with all officials present, as it is important that judges also know and understand the heat system, the seeding and scoring system.

Calculation session with the calculation software

An essential part of the seminar for calculators will be the practical sessions on the introduction to the scoring software.

It is important for all existing calculators to attend to become familiar with the scoring software program the EMS and to practice using both systems together.

***NB: Calculators MUST bring a laptop capable of running windows to access the software.***

**THE Hotel**

**Lindner Hotel & Sports Academy**

Address:

Otto-Fleck-Schneise 8

60528 Frankfurt am Main

Deutschland

Telephone +49 69 339968 444

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**Accommodation**

Single room including breakfast - 90 €/Night

Double room including breakfast - 120 €/Night

Tourism Rates excluding €2 tax per person per night.

Credit card details are required to guarantee all reservations.

Be advised that the reservation **deadline is April 1st 2022**

Send your reservation directly to the Hotel to info.sportsacademy@lindner.de with the code „IWWF Wakeboard“ and please copy Ulf on email - ulf.langrock@hotmail.com

If you choose to make a reservation through any other resource than the booking form offered, **please inform Ulf** as the Hotel has reserved a quota for the participants attending the Seminar.

**Lunches/social events**

Details will be announced later.

SEMINAR

The seminar will take place either in the building of the German Olympic Committee (DOSB) or the Hotel or the Landessportbund Hessen, which are very close to the hotel.

Arriving to Frankfurt

**Airport:** Frankfurt (FRA) is the biggest international airport in Germany.

The hotel **Lindner Hotel & Sports Academy** in the heart of **Frankfurt city forest** is 10-minute walk from the Station Line S7, S8 and S9. The district is **close to the airport and the Frankfurt Stadium (Commerzbank-Arena)**. The hotel is also accessible from the **A3 highway**.

[Calculate route with Google Maps](https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Lindner%2520Hotel%2520%26%2520Sports%2520Academy%2C%2520Otto-Fleck-Schneise%25208%2C%252060528%2520Frankfurt%2520am%2520Main%2520Deutschland)

**VISAS**

Please, use link below to check if you need visa to Germany

[Visa application](https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/visa-service/-/215870)

**SEMINAR SCHEDULE (approximate, subject to change)**

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| Thursday 28th April 2022 | All day | Wakeboard Council Meeting |
| Friday 29th April 2022 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM1:00 PM – 2:00 PM2:00 PM – 6:00 PM | Wakeboard Council MeetingLunch BreakSeminar Part 1 |
| Saturday 30th April 2022 | 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM11:00 AM – 11:30 AM11:30 AM – 1:00 PM1:00 PM – 2:30 PM2:30 PM – 4:00 PM4:00 PM – 4:30 PM4:30 PM – 6:00 PM | Seminar Part 2BreakSeminar Part 3Lunch BreakSeminar Part 4BreakSeminar Part 5 |
| Sunday 1st May 2022 | 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM11:00 AM – 11:30 AM11:30 AM – 1:00 PMApprox. 2:00 PM | Examination (theory)BreakExamination (practice)End of Seminar, time to go back to reality from wonderful time spent in wakeboard company! |

**Applications for the seminar**

The cost is €**75** (payment in cash only at the beginning of the Seminar).

Please complete the attached application form and email it to **BOTH**

Ulf: ulf.langrock@hotmail.com

**AND**

Linda: linda.johnston@wakeboardcouncil.com

**2022 Wakeboard Boat Officials Seminar**

**Registration Form**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Contact info (e-mail, phone number):

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Course to be attended ☐ Judging ☐ Calculation

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Last seminar attended

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