

3rd to 10th November 2024 Bulletin No 1













1. WELCOME

The Hong Kong China Waterski Association (HKCWA) is honoured to invite all IWWFaffiliated National Federations to participate in the <u>1st IWWF World Wakesurf</u> <u>Championship</u> at Tai Po Waterfront Park, Hong Kong from 3rd. to 10th November 2024.

2. ORGANIZERS

2.1 Local Organizer:

Hong Kong China Waterski Association (HKCWA) Room 1025, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, HK Tel (852) 2504-8168 Fax (852) 3113-0613 E-Mail: hkwsa@hkolympic.org Website: http://www.waterski.org.hk Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HongKongChinaWaterskiAssociation/ Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/hkcwa/

2.2 Organising Committee & Contact Details:

Hong Kong China Waterski Association (HKCWA)

Mr. David Chong – Hon. Secretary Mr. Nelson Poon – Senior Sports Executive Ms. Junie Chuang - Sports Executive

Email: <u>hkwsa@hkolympic.org</u>

Whatsapp: +852 56466174 Office Tel: +852 25048446 & +852 25048168

3. SANCTIONING BODY

International Waterski & Wakesurf Federation (IWWF)

- President Jose Antonio Perez Priego president@iwwfed.com
- Executive Director Mr. Paul Fong <u>executive@iwwfed.com</u> (event-related matters)
- Chairperson, IWWF Wakesurf Council Ms. Maria Bulgakova <u>wakesurf.iwwf@gmail.com></u> (technical matters, ie. rules, official practice, etc) +38097 3904874 (What'sApp)

4. OFFICIAL TOW BOAT

To be announced in Bulletin 2

5. EVENT VENUE - Viewing Terrace, <u>TAI PO WATERFRONT PARK</u> (directions)

- Competition
- Official Familiarization
- Unofficial Training
- Team Managers'/Captains' Meetings (in Official Hotel, TBC)











6. WEATHER

Hong Kong weather in November is cool and nice. The average temperature in November is **24°C**, made up of daytime averages of **28°C** and night averages of **19°C**. A record high of **30.7°C** has been recorded in Hong Kong in November.

7. TRAVEL TO HONG KONG - Hong Kong Tourism Board Website



7.1 Airport - Hong Kong International Airport (HKG)

Hong Kong International Airport is an international airport located on the island of Chek Lap Kok in western Hong Kong. HKG is a 33 minute drive / 37.9 km from the Official Hotel and 48 minute drive / 46.5 km from the Tai Po Waterfront Park













7.2 Visa

For the Visa Free Period of each countries, please refer to "Part II" in the website below:

https://www.immd.gov.hk/eng/services/visas/visit-transit/visit-visa-entry-permit.html Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of entry into Hong Hong

7.3 Airport Transfers (from Hong Kong International Airport to Official Hotel)

Return airport transfers from the Hong Kong International Airport (HKG) to the Official Hotel for teams are available by taxi. The cost will be HKD\$320 per trip by taxi.

IWWF Executive Board Members, Technical Officials and Members of the IWWF World Wakesurf Council will be provided complimentary airport transfers from the Hong Kong International Airport (HKG) to the Official Hotel.

7.4 Venue Transfers (Official Hotel to Event Venue)

The organizer will provide free transportation only from the Official Hotel to the Event Venue on event days only starting **3**rd **November 2024** for teams & team officials, IWWF Executive Board Members, Technical Officials and Members of the IWWF World Wakesurf Council. The transportation schedule will be announced in due course.

7.5 Taxis

Taxi is one of the key public passenger transport service providers in Hong Kong. At present there are 18,163 taxis in Hong Kong, of which 15,250 are urban taxis (red), 2,838 are New Territories taxis (green) and 75 are Lantau taxis (blue). The average daily taxi patronage is near 1 million. Taxi provides a personalized pointto-point transport service for passengers. In accordance with the law, taxis are only permitted to transport personal hand baggage/luggage, but not commercial items that are for sale.

7.6 Car Rentals

All major car rental companies can be found at the airport. Participants are encouraged to rent a car so they are mobile to travel to the event venue and visit the sights of Hong Kong

7.7 Currency

The local currency is the Hong Kong Dollars (HKD). Credit and debit cards are widely accepted. Approximate exchange rate is 1USD = 7,8 HKD.

7.8 Electricity

Hong Kong's electricity supply is 220/240 volts at 50 Hz. Square three-pin sockets are standard. It is advisable to bring a plug adapter with you, though most hotels can supply adapters for other kinds of plug and they can be bought locally.













7.9 Hotel Accommodation

Hotel Name:	Regal Riverside Hotel		
	34, Tai Chung Kiu Rd, Sha Tin		
	Phone: +852 26497878		
Online Reservation Link	A reservation link will be be provided in bulletin 2		
for Teams / Riders / Families & Friends			
Room Rate –	HKG 780.00 NETT		
Single:		inclusive of Buffet	
Room Rate –	HKG 780.00 NETT	Breakfast, WIFI, Taxes & Service Fees	
Double:		00111001003	
Credit Cards Accepted:	All Major Credit Cards		
Hotel Website:	https://www.regalhotel.com	/regal-riverside-	
	hotel/en/home/home.html		
Booking Deadline:	10 Oct 2024		
Location:	ocation: 37.9 km /33 mins drive to airport 13.9 km / 16 mins drive to event venue		
Notes / Comments	Check-In: 3:00 pm / Check-Out: 11:00 pm		

8. EVENT RULES

All Federations, team managers, team captains and riders should be familiar with the <u>2024 IWWF Wakesurf Rules</u>.

9. INTENTION TO ENTER & ENTRIES

Each Federation shall submit an Intention to Enter Form no later than September 7th, 2024, 60 days before the 1st scheduled competition day as per 2024 IWWF Wakesurf Rules, Rule 9b. Any Federation not meeting this requirement will not be allowed to compete until they pay a fine of USD250.00 to the IWWF. For each participant entered on the Intention to Enter form, the Federation must pay a deposit of USD50.00 to the IWWF - this payment is non-refundable. This payment will ensure the number of riders participating is accurate and will enable the planning of the event. If the Federation enters the number of riders as indicated in the Intention to Enter, the payment made will be deducted from the entry fee. If the Federation enters less riders than the number indicated on the Intention to Enter, the USD50.00 paid for each of the riders not attending will be forfeited. The Federation may enter up to 2 additional riders participate, then a fee of USD50.00 per additional rider will be levied on the Federation. Please indicate your "Country" and "Intent to Enter 2024 IWWF Wakesurf Worlds" when making your transfer. An email with a copy of the











bank transfer receipt must be to be sent to: <u>hkwsa@hkolympic.org</u> and copy to: <u>wakesurf.iwwf@gmail.com</u>

9.1 Entry Fees

The Entry Fee will be **USD280.00 per rider** per discipline (skim or surf). Entry fees must be paid through EMS to the HKCWA. The deadline for payment is October 23rd, 2024.

10 INSURANCE

The IWWF Bye-Law 16.1 states:

It is the responsibility of each Federation when entering competitors for a World Titled Event to ensure that its competitors are adequately insured for personal accident, permanent disabilities, death and **medical expenses**.

11. OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

The Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony & Final Night Banquet are offered free of charge to Athletes, Team Officials, Technical Officials, IWWF World Wakesurf Council Members and IWWF Executive Board Members. The venue for the Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony & Final Night Banquet and the cost for Friends/Family/Supporters to attend will be US\$65.00 per person.

11.1 Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony will be held at Competition Venue on 5th November 2024 starting 6:00 pm. Teams should be dressed in team track suits and be assembled by 5:30 pm. There will be a reception after the Opening Ceremony with free admission for Athletes, one Team Official per team (or two Team Officials for teams of 8 or more athletes), Technical Officials and IWWF Executive Board Members.

11.2 Closing Ceremony & Final Night Banquet

The closing ceremony and final night banquet will be held on Sunday 10th November 2024. The venue and time will be announced in Bulletin 2. Admission to the Closing Ceremony & Final Night Banquet will be free for Athletes, one Team Official per Team (or two Team Officials for teams of 8 or more athletes), Technical Officials and IWWF Executive Board Members. The cost for all others to attend and deadline to purchase tickets will be US\$65.00 per person.

12. IWWF LICENSE

Following an agreement by the IWWF World Congress held in 2019, the IWWF Executive Board approved the establishment of an IWWF License fee from 2021 where athletes wishing to compete in Ranking List / 3 to 6 Star competitions (including IWWF World titled events) in each Sports Division of the IWWF are required to hold an IWWF License. It is requested that Federations ensure that all their athletes hold a valid <u>IWWF License</u> in order to participate in the 2024 IWWF World Wakesurf Championships.











13. REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS (WAKESURF ATHLETES) IN EMS

The registration of the athlete participations in EMS has to be done by an EMS Federation Administrator as follows:

- 1. The EMS Federation Administrator has to login to EMS
- Go to the "Competitions" menu and find the event by using the filters (eg "discipline" - wakesurf, "country" – Hong Kong) or competition code 25IWWF02
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- 3. Select the 2024 IWWF World Wakesurf Championships
- 4. Scroll down to the "Participations" section and click the "New participation" button to register rider(s)
- 5. Enter the name of the rider in the search box and click on the loop sign to the right
- 6. Register the rider with the correct category and discipline. Mark "team entry"
- 7. Click on the blue "+Add" button and the participant will be registered
- 8. Repeat the steps 5 to 7 for any additional participants
- Any registration after the deadline of 14 days before the start of competition October 23rd – will be put on the Waiting List to be approved by mutual consent of the Organizer, IWWF Wakesurf Council Chair and Chief Judge

14 TRAINING & OFFICIAL FAMILIARISATION

14.01 Unofficial Training

Unofficial Training will be available at Tai Po Waterfront Park between **29th October 2024** and **2nd November 2024** at a cost of US\$260.00 (or HK\$2050) per hour, and with a minimum booking of 15 minutes. Training will be based on a first come first serve but also consideration will be given for it to be distributed evenly based on total entries.

The deadline for training request is **15th October 2024.** Please submit your training requests by e-mail: <u>hkwsa@hkolympic.org</u>. Training should be paid by bank transfer to HKCWA.

Payment is due **22nd October 2024** and a schedule will be posted by **24th October 2024**. After the final schedule is released, all available slots will be opened on a first come first serve basis until 27th October 2024.

More information will be provided in Bulletin 2.

15. LUNCHES ON SITE

Lunches on site will be provided free of charge on competition days to Athletes, Team Officials, Technical Officials, IWWF World Wakesurf Council Members and IWWF Executive Board Members. The cost of meals for friends, family and supporters will be advised in due course.

16 OFFICIAL FAMILIARIZATION

Official Familiarization will be according to rule 9c of the 2024 IWWF Wakesurf Rules. The cost of Official Familiarization at the Event Venue will be USD30.00 per rider for an 8-minute slot. Each rider will only be allocated one slot. Slots have to be requested by <u>email reservations</u> at the time of submission of "Intention to enter" form and paid by bank transfer to the HKCWA. The slots will be allocated on the "first come – first served" basis means a team will not necessarily get the











training on the day requested if by the time the form is submitted that particular day is already fully booked. The Official Familiarization schedule will be subject to the number of riders and will be posted by the Organisers no later than 45 days before the beginning of the event.

17. PAYMENTS

Payment of Intent to Enter, Training and Official Familiarization Fees must ONLY be made by bank transfer to the Hong Kong China Waterski Association

Bank Details

Name of Bank: Standard Chartered Bank Account Name (Beneficiary): Hong Kong China Waterski Association Limited Beneficiary's Address: Basement, Shop B1 on G/F & 1/F, 66-70 Nathan Road,

Tsimshatsui. Hong Kong

Account Number: 57401030412

Swift Code/BIC: SCBLHKHHXXX

* Please indicate your "Name of Country" and "<Intent to Enter / Official Familiarisation/Training > 2024 IWWF Wakesurf Worlds" when making your transfer. An email with a copy of the bank transfer receipt must be to be sent to: <u>executive@iwwfed.com</u>

Remitting parties are responsible for ALL bank charges at both ends. Where bank charges have been deducted, Federations/Riders will be required to make good any shortfall at registration. Please present your Bank Transfer Voucher during registration on site to prove your payment.

18. CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL

The consumption of alcohol at Tai Po Waterfont Park and event venue is strictly prohibited at all times. Failure to comply will results in disqualification.

19 CASH PURSE

There will be a USD30,000.00 cash purse for Open Men & Open Women Skim & Surf categories. The distribution will be as follows:

Open Men Skim

1 place - US\$3000.00 2 place - US\$2000.00 3 place - US\$1000.00 4 place - US\$500.00 5 place - US\$500.00 6 place - US\$500.00

<u>Open Men Surf</u> 1 place – US\$3000.00 2 place – US\$2000.00 3 place – US\$1000.00 4 place – US\$500.00 5 place – US\$500.00 6 place – US\$500.00 <u>Open Women Skim</u> 1 place – US\$3000.00 2 place – US\$2000.00 3 place – US\$1000.00 4 place – US\$500.00 5 place – US\$500.00 6 place – US\$500.00

<u>Open Women Surf</u> 1 place – US\$3000.00 2 place – US\$2000.00 3 place – US\$1000.00 4 place – US\$500.00 5 place – US\$500.00 6 place – US\$500.00

* prize money will be paid directly to riders by bank transfer after the event











20. PAYMENT SUMMARY & DUE DATES – Payable to HKCWA

ltem	Due Date	Comments
Intent to Enter	September 7 th 2024	By Bank Transfer
Registration of Riders/ Entry Fees	October 23 rd 2024	By EMS
Unofficial Training - request	October 15 th 2024	By Email
Unofficial Training - payment	October 22 nd 2024	By Bank Transfer
Official Familiarisation - request	September 7th 2024	By Email
Official Familiarization - payment	October 7 th 2024	By Bank Transfer

21 DOPING CONTROL

In accordance with the IWWF Anti-Doping Rules, Doping controls will be conducted during the competition. By entering this competition, all athletes agree to be subject to doping control. Information about the IWWF Anti-Doping program, the current IWWF AD Rules and links to the list of banned substances can be accessed on the following <u>link</u>.

22 SAFE SPORT

The IWWF takes safeguarding extremely seriously and is committed to ensuring that everyone who attends the championships, whether athletes, officials or volunteers are able to operate in a safe environment, free from abuse and the risk of harm. It is a condition of participation that all attendees familiarise themselves and comply with the <u>IWWF Safeguarding Regulations</u> which are available at <u>https://iwwf.sport/safesport-information/</u>

23 SCHEDULES

23.1. Provisional Schedule Of Events – Competition

Official Familiarisation
Official Familiarisation
Official FamiliarisationTeam Captains' Meeting (evening)
Qualification RoundOpening Ceremony (evening)
Qualification Round
Qualification Round
Qualification Round
Qualification RoundSemi-FinalsFinals
 Finals Individual Medal Ceremonies (after event) Final Night Banquet, Team Overall Medal Ceremonies (evening)

* a detailed schedule of events will be posted after intents to enter are submitted

24.2 Meetings & Functions











Date	Events / Official Functions		
Tuesday,5 th November 2024	Opening Ceremony 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm Competition Venue		
Sunday 10 th November 2024	Final Night Banquet & Closing Ceremony Venue & Time TBA		

24 ATHLETE INFORMATION FOR COMMENTATOR & MEDIA

Please request your athletes to log into <u>IWWF's EMS</u> to fill in / update their profiles (accomplishments, sponsors, social media handles, other interesting

information in the optional fields, etc. so the event commentator has information easily accesible to communicate to spectators present at the event venue and online via live stream. Athletes should also upload their photos for the media. IMPORTANT: To be able to complete/populate their profiles, the Athletes must be EMS USERS, i.e. they must be invited by their respective Federations to become EMS users and have accepted this invitation.

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Athletes should contact their respective <u>Federations</u> if they are not active / confirmed EMS users. Example – click <u>here</u>

25 FLAGS & ANTHEMS

Each team must bring an additional flag 2 flags of their country. (Size approximately 100x150cm) All teams should send (MP3) of their national anthem or confirm the Anthem is on Spotify. If not on Spotify please email MP3 to <u>hkwsa@hkolympic.org</u> (Subject line, Your Country/ Anthem)

26 MEDIA

26.1 <u>Web Site</u>

26.2 Social Media

IWWF plans to promote the event through its most important stakeholders, the athletes, so please provide full cooperation to IWWF's community manager, <u>Marie-Hélène Lanthier</u>. Please use the following hashtags: #iwwfwakesurfworlds2024 #iwwf

#IWWTWOKESUITWOIIds2U24 #IWWT

and tag @iwwfed @hkcwa @lcsdplusss @cstbhk @iwwf.asia

- Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/iwwfed</u>
- Instagram: <u>www.instagram.com/iwwfed/</u>
- TickTock: @iwwfed











27 Team Captains' Meeting

To be held at 6:00 pm on Monday, $4^{\rm th}$ November 2024 . The venue will be announced in Bulletin 2.

28 LIVE STREAM BROADCAST

The event will be live streamed all six competition days from the 6^{th} to 10^{th} . November 2024.

29 Waivers & Consent Forms

All athletes must sign (1) Declaration, Waiver and Release Forms <HKCWA and IWWF> and (2) <u>Anti-Doping Consent Form</u> – click link <u>here</u>. before the end of registration.

30 Official Familiarisation Schedule

Please refer to the event website in due course.

31 **REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION**

This will be held onsite from Sunday 2nd November, Monday 3rd November & Tuesday 4th November 2024 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm at the Tournament Office in the Official Hotel. Athletes will receive their accreditation, bibs and lunch tickets.

32 EQUIPMENT STORAGE

There will be storage for riders' equipment on-site. IWWF and HKCWSA is not responsible for equipment that is lost or damaged.

33. Important Contacts

Emergencies

Emergency services (police, fire, ambulance): 999 HKSOS (999 safety app): [App Store] [Google Play] Police Hotline: +852 2527 7177 Travel Industry Authority: +852 3698 5900 Consumer Council: +852 2929 2222 Hong Kong Tourism Board Visitor Hotline: +852 2508 1234 Hong Kong International Airport: +852 2181 8888 Customs and Excise Department 24-Hour Hotline: +852 2815 7711 Hong Kong Immigration Department: +852 2824 6111 Hongkong Post: +852 2921 2222 Department of Health: +852 2961 8989 Hong Kong Observatory (for weather information): +852 1878 200 Telephone directory enquiries: +852 1081















INTENTION TO ENTER FORM

TheFederation will attend the 2024 IWWF World Wakesurf Championships. We expect our team to consist of the following number of riders:

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Discipline SKIM :	
Grom Girls (Under 14)	Grom Boys (Under 14)
Junior Women (Under 18)	Junior Men (Under 18)
Open Women	Open Men
 Master Women (30+). 	Master Men (30+)
Veteran 1 Women (40+)	Veteran 1 Men (40+)
Discipline SURF :	
Grom Girls (Under 14)	• Grom Boys (Under 14)
Junior Women (Under 18).	Junior Men (Under 18)
Open Women	Open Men
• Master Women (30+).	Master Men (30+)
 Veteran 1 Women (40+) 	Veteran 1 Men (40+)
Total Number of Riders = riders x USD50. Example: Total Number of Riders = <u>10 r</u> iders x <u>USD50.</u> 00 = <u>USD500</u> Payments in US Dollars to the Hong Kong China	0.00 deposit
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Team Manager:	Team Captain:
For further information please contact	
E-mail	Phone
DateSignature	Э

Please return this form & transfer a deposit to HKCWA by September 7th 2024

