



## Bulletin 2

We have the pleasure to invite all Federations to the 2020 IWWF World Under 17 & 2021 IWWF Under 21 Waterski Championships to be held at Pickos Water Ski School from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 29th August 2021.

Pickos Water Ski School is looking forward to seeing you and receiving entry list as soon as possible. The official website will be [iwwf.sport/u17u21worlds/](http://iwwf.sport/u17u21worlds/)

### 1. ORGANISERS

Host Federation

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports

Nate Boudreaux – Executive Director  
[nboudreaux@usawaterski.org](mailto:nboudreaux@usawaterski.org)

Organising Committee

Pickos Ski School

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### 2. THE SITE

**Pickos Water Ski School** is a three man-made lake water ski community located in Santa Rosa Beach, Florida. Surrounded by Florida State Forests and a quick 15-minute walk / 5- minute drive from some of the world's most beautiful beaches.





## 2.1 WHAT TO DO IN THE AREA

Considered “The Luckiest Fishing Village” and “The Emerald Coast”, make sure to enjoy the beach, fantastic live music at local restaurants, and shopping while here. A few great sites to check to see what is happening around us



### a. ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA

**Fishing** - Fresh Water, Gulf of Mexico, and Deepwater. Charters available!

**Beach:** Enjoy the white sand beaches where the sand squeaks beneath your feet and the water it a beautiful emerald color. Check out these beach cams to see the conditions!

<https://www.livebeaches.com/city/santa-rosa-beach-fl/>

**Shopping:** This outdoor shopping center is home to over 110 designer and name-brand outlet stores, anything you need! <https://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/silver-sands/about>

**Golf:** South Walton is home to some of Florida’s top-rated golf courses, check them out here, <https://30a.com/golf/>

**Parks:** 40% of the land in South Walton is preserved for nature and we are home to amazing inlet lakes and beautiful sand dunes. Check out the parks near us here, <https://www.visitsouthwalton.com/discover-our-parks/>





### b. DIRECTIONS BY ROAD

Directions to the lake from Grand Boulevard and the Official Hilton Hotel to the Ski Site:



### 3. OFFICIAL TOWBOAT



All official practice and tournament events will be pulled behind the [Ski Nautique](#). Boat specifications will be provided in Bulletin 3.





## 4. TRAVEL

### 4.1 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

All participants traveling to the United States, including U.S. citizens and fully vaccinated people, are required to have a negative COVID-19 test result no more than 3 days before travel or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in the past 3 months before they board a flight to the USA.

United States Customs and Border Protection (CPB) recommends, but does NOT mandate, participants to be vaccinated and to quarantine upon arrival in the USA.

United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC) encourages all participants entering the USA to follow the USA's Centres of Disease Control (CDC) guidelines upon arrival in relation to the CDC's recommendations surrounding international travel.

### 4.2 VISA

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/tourism-visit/visitor.html>

Passports must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of entry into the USA

### 4.3 NATIONAL INTEREST EXEMPTION WAIVER

The USA requires certain countries entrants to apply for a National Interest Exemption waiver in addition to the usual USA Visa. All National Federations have been notified of this requirement.

### 4.4 AIRPORT

**Option #1 Preferred:** The closest airport is Northwest Florida Beaches International Airport (ECP), which is about a 45-55 minute drive to/from the official hotel. All major car rental companies are represented at the airport.

**Option #2:** Destin-Ft. Walton Beach Airport (VPS) is about a 45 - 50 minute drive to/from the official hotel. Traffic can be heavy at times during the rush hour and mid-day.

Taxi and shuttle from the airport to the site or official hotel should cost around \$60-\$120 depending on the size of the car. **\*Rental cars are in high demand – ensure you confirm availability with you rental car company!**

*Transportation from the airport to the official hotel is provided free of charge to Technical Officials, IWWF Waterski Council Members, IWWF Executive Board Members and is available to Athletes at cost.*





#### 4.5 OFFICIAL HOTEL

The official hotel will be the **Hilton Sandestin Beach Resort**.

Located roughly **4 miles** from the ski site and centered near shopping, restaurants, and is beachfront! Golfing, spas, beautiful beachfront pools, and more are at your fingertips while staying at the Hilton in Sandestin.

**THE RATE per night is \$219** - Rooms are limited, therefore we recommend booking your rooms as soon as possible. The room block rate **expires July 22, 2021**.

**\*If arriving before August 22, we highly encourage calling the hotel to ensure you get the group rate beginning on August 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

***\*Please book via this link or Call in. (All Major Credit Cards are accepted)***

**Please note:** Daily Resort fee of \$15/day

Reserve your room at the official hotel through this link:

[Hilton Hotel Reservation Link Here](#)

Check out your personal beach cam here:

[Beach Cam for Hilton](#)





**Official Hotel Rates:**

**Spa Tower**

Partial View or Beach View	\$219
Lanai	\$249
Beach Front	\$289
Ambassador Suite	\$599
Presidential Suite	\$999

**Emerald Tower**

Deluxe Partial View	\$219
Deluxe Beach View	\$239
Deluxe Lania	\$259
Deluxe Family Suite	\$309
Deluxe Beach Front	\$299

\*\*\* Additional Fees: \$15/ day resort fee includes:

Self-Parking, Upgraded Wifi, 24hr Fitness Room Access, 10 & under Complimentary Breakfast, Sandestin Tram, Beach games, **Also includes:**

*10% off all Serenity by the sea spa services, and an exclusive shopping discount program at our premium outlet shopping center and grand blvd shops only for Hilton guests*

**5 TRANSPORTATION**

Shuttles will be available from the hotel to the site. Uber is also available in the area. More info to follow in Bulletin 2.

*Transportation between the official hotel and the event venue is provided free of charge to Technical Officials, IWWF Waterski Council Members, IWWF Executive Board Members, and Athletes.*





## 6 UNOFFICIAL TRAINING

Unofficial practice will be available between August 14th and August 19th at a cost of **US\$300.00 per hour**, and with a **minimum booking of 15 minutes**. Training should be paid by bank transfer or credit card via Paypal (+5%).

Please submit your training requests by clicking the links below:

**U17** [Unofficial practice](#)

**U21** [Unofficial practice](#)

**The above training requests have closed, but we have now opened Lake 3 for unofficial practice. You can book that [HERE](#).**

All bank charges are the responsibility of the paying party.

Unofficial 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 the unofficial practice request is **May 31, 2021**. A schedule will be posted by **June 15th** and payment is due June 30th. After the final schedule is released, all available slots will be opened on a first come first serve basis. If your Federation would like to bring its own driver, please contact [j\\_surdej@yahoo.com](mailto:j_surdej@yahoo.com) with that request.

- **LAKE 1** will be the tournament lake for **Tricks and Jump**.
- **LAKE 2** will be the tournament lake of **Slalom**.
- **LAKE 3** will be available for practice through the tournament for **Slalom and Tricks**.

## 7 OFFICIAL FAMILIARISATION (20th & 21st August – IWWF U-17 Worlds / 24th & 25th August – IWWF U-21 Worlds)

7.5.1.1 [U17 Familiarisation request link](#)

7.5.1.2 [U21 Familiarisation request link](#)

UPDATE: For skiers competing in both events, familiarisation will only be allowed for 1 event. For example, if a skier slaloms in U17 familiarisation, they will not be allowed to ski in U21 familiarisation.

Rule references:

### **Rule 14:07**

*Official familiarisation will be organised so that each skier who has paid shall be allocated either a set number of passes and/or a certain amount of time at the discretion of the Chief Judge based on the principle that every skier shall receive an equal opportunity for familiarisation.*

*Slalom skiers will receive – 4 passes or 6 minutes whichever is less.*

*Trick skiers will receive – 2 passes or 5 minutes whichever is less.*

*Jump skier will receive – 3 passes or 6 minutes whichever is less.*





Each team requesting familiarisation time shall indicate on the official Entry form, familiarisation is required, which must be submitted at least 90 days before the scheduled start of the event. They must indicate how many skiers in each event wish to participate. Teams who do not with this deadline will not be included in the familiarisation schedule. At least 45 days before the scheduled start of the event, the Organiser (in consultation with the Chief Judge, whose decision shall be final) shall announce the official familiarisation schedule (including the allowed time). The order for familiarisation will be based on the team results from the previous World Championships with the last placed team athletes going first, and shall be grouped by, i.e. slalom familiarisation, trick familiarisation and jump familiarisation (by jump height) will be grouped together. Any athlete whose time has not been paid for at least 30 days before the scheduled start of the event, or who is not ready to ski in accordance with the schedule, will lose their official familiarisation time.

Official familiarisation rate is US \$30 per set.

#### 8. BANK DETAILS:

Name of Bank: Regions Bank

- **Bank's Address:** Sandestin Branch, 91 Scenic Gulf Drive, Sandestin, FL 32250
- **Account Name:** Cory Pickos World Ski Center, Inc
- **Account #:** 0272034270
- **ABA #:** 062005690
- **SWIFT CODE/BIN:** UPN BUS 44
- **Reference:** U17/U21 Worlds 2021 [Country]

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

#### 9. ADMINISTRATION

ATTENTION - Intentions to Enter and Entries MUST be submitted exclusively through the online Admin system at:

<http://www.iwsftournament.com/WorldAdmin/>

using the password which was provided to your Federation for this purpose. If you forgot your password, please contact IWWF Administration at [iwwf@iwwfed.com](mailto:iwwf@iwwfed.com) for assistance.





## 9.1 INTENTION TO ENTER, ENTRY FORM & ENTRY FEE

The Entry Fee for the 2020 IWWF World Under-17 is US\$330.00 per competitor and for the 2021 IWWF Under-21 Waterski Championships US\$330.00 per competitor regardless of discipline. This Entry Fees for both IWWF World titled events includes a levy of \$30 to assist towards the travel costs of the Technical Officials.

Rule references:

### **14.12: Entry and Administration (replace first of IWWF rule 14:12)**

Each Federation shall certify to the Chairman of the World Waterski Council and to the organising committee, not later than **90 days** before the scheduled start of the first event of the World Championships, its intent to compete. Any Federation not meeting this requirement will not be allowed to compete until they pay a fine of US\$200 to the IWWF.

*To be accepted, the "Intention to Enter" (ITE) form must be accompanied by the entry fee payment in full for each athlete mentioned on the form, and must include the names of the skiers (team member, individuals and wild card), the events each will enter, the ratings of each skier, as well as the names of the official reserves.*

- 1) The deadline to enter skiers qualify under the Weekly Ranking List is 30 days before the championships.
- 2) The deadline to enter skiers qualify under the Elite Ranking is 15 days before the championships. (Under-2)

Any Federation not meeting those requirements will not be allowed to compete until the Federation pays a fine of US\$10 per skier per day after the mentioned deadline to the **IWWF, for each skier not officially entered.**

**\* If the tournament is cancelled, the entry fees will be refunded.**

**\*\* If a country stops travel to the US, the entry fees will be refunded.**

**Team or individual athletes not showing up:** In the event a team or individual athletes (for whom their Federation has submitted a competition entry), fail to show up for a competition their entry fee shall still be payable in full, unless a valid written excuse is received by 12 noon of the day before the start of the competition.

**Each Federation shall submit to the Chairman of the World Waterski Council, the Chairman of the Confederation Waterski Council, and the organising committee, not later than thirty (30) days before the scheduled start of the first event of the World Championships, the names of the members of its team, the events each will enter, the ratings of each skier, as well as the names of the official reserves. If the official entry forms is not received prior to the 24 hours before the start of the first event, the Federation's skier's places in the draw shall be determined by the Chief Judge without reference to their qualifying scores.** There is no limit on official reserves per team.

The day before the start of a preliminary round the entry list shall be closed at 12 noon and thereafter the order of competitors entered and paid will be finalised and posted. No change in this order is allowed except that a team representative may:

- 1) Withdraw a skier from the competition.
- 2) Replace, with the authority of the Chief Judge and before the start of the first



event, that is to say before the first skier taking part in the first event has started, an injured skier by a qualified official reserve from the same team.

- 3) The substitute skier shall start first in the seed in which he is qualified unless the draw has not yet been completed.

**For all payments details, please refer to 1.09 above**

## 10 IMPORTANT DATES

### DATES TO NOTE: (IWWF Under-17 Worlds)

- Entry Form Submission: May 24th, 2021
- Official Familiarisation request: May 24th, 2021
- Official Familiarisation posted: July 08th, 2021
- Official Familiarisation payment: July 23rd, 2021
- Entry form Submission (Weekly Ranking) July 23rd, 2021

### DATES TO NOTE: (IWWF Under-21 Worlds)

- Entry Form Submission: May 28th, 2021
- Official Familiarisation request: May 28th, 2021
- Official Familiarisation posted: July 12th, 2021
- Official Familiarisation payment: July 27th, 2021
- Entry form Submission (Weekly Ranking) July 27th, 2021

## 11 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 link:

<http://iwwf.sport/athletes/anti-doping/>

## 12 INSURANCE

### 12.1 USA WATER SKI & WAKE SPORTS INSURANCE

All athletes are required to sign up as members of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports for insurance purpose before they are permitted to compete in the 2021 IWWF World Waterski Championships. There will be NO cost for the membership. A link to sign up for the membership will be provided in Bulletin No. 3 and Federations should ensure their athletes are signed up prior to the event.



## 12.2 TRAVEL 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.

Please note that the insurance provided by the membership to USA Water Ski & Wake Sports does NOT include medical expenses.

## 13 LOCAL CURRENCY

The local currency is the USD. At most local stores and restaurants, you can pay with all major credit cards and cash.

## 14 CEREMONIES

All Opening Ceremonies will be held on-site. U-17 will take place on-site on Sunday 22nd August, after the completion of familiarisation. U-17 Awards Ceremony and U-21 Opening Ceremony will take place on-site as a combined event. U-21 individual Awards Ceremony will take place on-site on Sunday 29th August. A final Closing Ceremony will take place in the evening on Sunday 29th August and will be for free for athletes and one (1) official per team. More information will be provided in Bulletin 3.

*The Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony, are offered free of charge to Athletes, Team Officials, Technical Officials, IWWF Waterski Council Members, and IWWF Executive Board Members*

### 14.1 FLAGS & ANTHEMS

Each team must bring an additional flag 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 [Skipickos@gmail.com](mailto:Skipickos@gmail.com). (Subject line, Your country/ Anthem)

## 15 PT & MASSAGE

Local Physical Therapist and Masseuse will be on-site and available. Booking in advance will be recommended. More info to Follow in Bulletin 3.

## 16 SKI STORAGE

Pickos Ski School will supply storage for competitors' equipment on-site. Pickos Ski School is not responsible for equipment that is lost or damaged. More info to follow in Bulletin 3.



## 17 MEALS

Meals will be provided for the competitors and 1 team official at no cost. Food and Beverage will be available onsite via catering and food trucks. Food trucks will also be available to the public at cost.

## 18 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2 lakes will be used for the event. 1 lake for Tricks and Jump. 1 Lake for Slalom only. Only 1 lake is planned to run at a time. The final schedule to be released in a later Bulletin.

### Friday, August 20 - 8:00AM – 6:00PM

Official Familiarisation IWWF Under-17 Worlds

### Saturday, August 21 - 8:00AM – 6:00PM

Official Familiarisation IWWF Under-17 Worlds

### IWWF Under-17 Worlds Begins:

#### Sunday, August 22 - 8:00AM – 7:00PM (Day 1)

Preliminary Round Slalom/Jump IWWF Under-17 Worlds

IWWF Under-17 Worlds Opening Ceremony After Preliminary Round

#### Monday, August 23 - 8:00AM – 7:00PM (Day 2)

Preliminary Round Trick/Jump IWWF Under-17 Worlds

#### Tuesday, August 24 - 8:00AM – 8:00PM (Day 3)

Preliminary Round Tricks/Slalom IWWF Under-17 Worlds

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM Official Familiarisation IWWF Under-21 Worlds (Trick, Slalom, and Jump)

#### Wednesday, August 25 - 8:00AM – 11:00AM (Day 4)

Final IWWF Under-17 Worlds Tricks

Final IWWF Under-17 Worlds Slalom

Final IWWF Under-17 Worlds Jump

Official Familiarisation IWWF Under-21 Worlds (Tricks/Slalom)

Awards Ceremony for IWWF Under-17 will be held on-site + IWWF Under-21 Opening Ceremony

*\*Athletes of the IWWF Under-17 Worlds, competing in the IWWF Under-21 Worlds, will not receive additional official familiarisation time.*

### IWWF Under-21 Worlds Begins:

#### Thursday, August 26 - 12:00AM – 6:00PM (Day 5)

Preliminary Round Tricks IWWF Under-21 Worlds

#### Friday, August 27 - 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM (Day 6)

Preliminary Round Slalom/Jump IWWF Under-21 Worlds

#### Saturday, August 28 - 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM (Day 7)

Preliminary Round Slalom/Jump IWWF Under-21 Worlds

#### Sunday, August 29 - 8:00AM – 11:00AM (Day 8)

Finals IWWF Under-21 Worlds (Trick/Slalom/Jump)

Awards Ceremony for IWWF Under-21 Worlds will be held on-site – closing event TBA.



## 19 TECHNICAL OFFICIALS PANEL

Position	Name	Country
Chief Judge	Kate Adriansen – IWWF U17 Worlds	BEL
Chief Judge	Nikki Lee – IWWF U21 Worlds	USA
Assistant Chief Judge	Bob Harris	USA
Homologator	Jerry Jackson	USA
Chief Scorer	Diego Restrepo	COL
Scorer	Maritza Concha – IWWF U21 Worlds	CHI
Scorer	Nikki Lee - IWWF U17 Worlds	USA
Scorer	Virginie Sourty	FRA
Judge	Elena Kunert	SVK
Judge	Emile Ritter	CHI
Judge	Felipe Leal	COL
Judge	Gael Therin	FRA
Judge	Jeff Smith	USA
Judge	Kadir Febrianto	INA
Judge	Marie Anne Persoons	BEL
Judge	Morten Froulund	DEN
Judge	Nathalie Perez	COL
Judge	Robert Ritter	CHI
Reserve Judge	Keith Lindemulder	USA
Chief Driver	Mario Pigozzi	DOM
Driver	Manuel Domini	ITA
Driver	Mike Ross	NZE
Driver	Scott Greenwood	USA
Reserve Driver 1	Nathan McGarry	GBR
Reserve Driver 2	Russ Dickson	CAN



## 20 IWWF SAFE SPORT POLICY & SAFEGUARDING REGULATIONS

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 IWWF Safeguarding Regulations which are available at <https://iwwf.sport/safe-sport/>

## 21 COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

The following protocols are recommended:



**KEEP YOUR MASK ON AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT WHEN YOU ARE ENGAGING IN TOWED WATER SPORTS**



## 22 PCR TESTS

A medical provider will be on-site for some of the days providing polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests. Please reach out to [Caitlin McGinty](#) if you have concerns on testing to get out of the country.



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