

Minutes of the WSC meeting 22/02/2023

	Candido Moz	CM	WWSC Chairman
	Bruce Cockburn	BC	AAO WSC President
	Glen Williams	GW	AAO delegate
	Nigel Talamo	NT	AAO delegate
	Alexopoulos Dimos	AD	E&A delegate
	Gavin Kelly	GK	E&A delegate
	Dana Garcia	DG	PANAM WSC President
	Larry Gisler	LG	PANAM delegate
	Sergio Font	SF	PANAM delegate
	Martin Kolman	MK	Skier rep.
	Jacinta Carrol	JC	Skier rep.
Inv.	Jose Antonio Perez Priego	JA	IWWF President
Inv.	Jo-Anne Moore	JAM	PANAM alternate
Inv.	Jerry Jackson	JJ	Tech Committee delegate
Inv	Will Bush	WB	World Driver Committee Chair.

Rule 8.15 - reride on "Continuing at Risk" situations.

During the recent AWSA TC meeting an Issue arise regarding rule 8.15, mandatory re-ride (max 2) on a "Continuing at Risk situations".

The situation was illustrated by WB, MK and DG. After a thorough discussion the WSC has decided to amend the rules in the following way:

Continuing at Risk

If a skier decides to continue at risk to the next pass on a mandatory re-ride and:

a) Does not complete the pass, the score awarded will be the higher of:

*** The score from the original pass that was in tolerance; or**

*** The score from the 'continue at risk' pass as though it were at the original speed and rope length.**

b) Completes the pass, and that pass is out of tolerance for boat path deviation, the skier shall be entitled to no more than two additional mandatory re-rides for that specific pass. The skier does not have an option to continue at risk to the next pass.

Approved

U-21 World panel

After having analysed the list of candidates the following Officials has been appointed.

Chief Judge	Jeff Smith	PANAM	
Homologator	Jose Antonio		
Chief Scorer	LANGROCK Ulf	E&A	
Scorer	Larry Downes	PANAM	
Judges	Robert Ritter	PANAM	
Judges	Zuze Briant	AAO	
Judges	Gattone Barbara	E&A	
Judges	Jersson Delgado	PANAM	
Judges	MOULANIER Eudes	E&A	
Judges	Dan Van Dyk	PANAM	
Judges	Emile Ritter	PANAM	
Judges	Valentina Gonzales	PANAM	Alternate 1
Judges	Waldo Miranda	PANAM	Alternate 2
Chief Driver	Chris Eller	PANAM	
Driver	Gandola Davide	E&A	
Driver	Nigel Sparrow	AAO	
Driver	Russ Dickson	PANAM	Alternate 1
Driver	Greg Badal	PANAM	Alternate 2

Approved

80% speed for tricks calling.

The proposal to allow tricks calling, if the competition technology allow it, at 80% of normal speed has been discussed. After that all the pros and cons have been analysed, the proposal is accepted, rules will be amended to allow this possibility.

It is understood that it is an optional system and is not mandatory. The actual judging methodology with normal speed video (100%) remains in effect.

Approved

Eye Tricks Rule

The circulated Eye Tricks Rule have been approved.

9.01: General Trick Event Rules

For the boat, see (5.01), for the tow lines see (5.10), for the tolerances see (6.02). There must always be 3 people in the boat for tricks.

The eyeTrick judging technology and method is approved for use in all classes of Competitions subject to the modifications to rules: [9.12](#), [9.15](#), [9.18](#) and [9.20](#).

9.12: Officials

There shall be three or five judges scoring tricks from the boat video.

~~Three Judges may be used if immediate video review is available at the Judge's position. As a variation, two sets of three Judges may be used, one set for each pass. The Judges selected to call the trick runs shall be the event Judges.~~

Each Judge will watch the pass at either normal speed (100%) or 80% of normal speed.

After having finished their first view and call, all Judges will have one complete review (without pauses) at either normal speed (100%) or 80% of normal speed.

Additional reviews of individual tricks may be allowed by the Chief Judge or his designate if they are required to resolve a majority issue in the scoring of the pass.

~~Immediate video review shall consist of (for whatever number of Judges) ONE immediate replay of the pass at normal speed to allow the Judges to check what they have written. Then the sheets are handed in after which any further necessary review resorts to the existing rules.~~

All World Championships will have five Judges. For World Cup and professional events 3 Judges are considered sufficient if wished.

It is recommended that five Judges be used for major competitions.

Skiers should not be kept waiting between passes for video review. It is acceptable to hold the next skier while a video review is carried out of the previous skier, but not between passes.

Each Judge shall watch and record the tricks independently. He shall list each trick attempted by the skier and decide with respect to each trick:

- a) if it was performed according to the rules governing that trick.
- b) if it was started after the beginning of the pass.

A Boat Judge may ride in the boat to check speeds and observe the boat path. The Chief Judge may designate the boat driver as the Boat Judge if a TV or Video camera is operated from the boat. If the Boat Judge feels the skier is entitled to a re-ride for any reason, he will communicate all the necessary information to the event Judges who shall make the decision.

Recommendation:

For Titled and Record Capability events the Judges shall be separated to ensure completely independent opinions. If feasible, each Judge shall be separated from the others by a barrier or a screen.

If eyeTrick is used the following amended rule will apply:

There shall be three or five judges scoring tricks using eyeTrick. The Judges selected to call the trick runs shall be the event Judges. Each Judge will watch their individual video screen and judge and score the pass using their individual tablet. They may play and pause their individual video as they wish. Judging video speed will be 80% of normal speed.

All Judges will view one complete review (without pauses) at 80% of normal speed after all judges have finished their initial scoring. Additional reviews of individual tricks may be allowed by the Chief Judge or his designate if they are required to resolve a majority issue in the scoring of the pass.

All World Championships will have five Judges. For Pro Tour and professional events 3 Judges are considered sufficient. It is recommended that, if possible, the following skier will receive the score from the preceding skier before they leave the dock.

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9.15: Timing the Trick Pass

Video Trick timing is mandatory for all Record Capability and Ranking List competitions. The start and the end of the 20 second pass will be determined **by a video measurement system**.

The Homologator can accept a new timing system if he can prove it is working correctly according to the rules.

For Titled Competitions, and it's also recommended for all Ranking List and Record Capability events, the Chief judge will assign 2 video timing Judges. The two video timing Judges shall be, where possible, of different nationalities.

The Chief Judge may be used as the second video timing Judge, or he/she may assign a second video timing Judge in his/her place.

If these two video timing Judges disagree, the Chief Judge or a designated video review Judge will resolve the disagreement.

The video timing Judges shall operate or supervise the operation of the video trick timer.

They will determine the beginning of the trick pass as defined in Rules (9.07), and the last trick in time. A completed trick shall be judged to have been in time if the part of the ski under the binder is on the water in the last frame picture.

The start of the pass must be set before the end of the pass can be seen.

The officials appointed as video timers shall be assigned for the whole event/series.

If there is a malfunction and the video or backup video is not captured or the timing cannot be determined from the video, a re-ride is optional with a protected score if one can be determined. If any score can be determined it can be protected, otherwise a re-ride is mandatory.

For all Ranking List and Record Capability Competitions, if the video system allows it, the timing of the tricks pass can be done by the event Judges. In this case, after the conclusion of the judging procedure (9.12) the event judges will view and agree on (by majority) the beginning of the tricks pass as defined in Rules (9.07), and the last trick in time. A completed trick shall be judged to have been in time if the part of the ski under the binder is on the water in the last frame picture.

If eyeTrick is used the following amended rule will apply:

The start and the end of the 20 second pass will be determined by the event judges using eyeTrick. After the full review has been completed and the trick pass has been reconciled the event judges will view and agree on (by majority) the beginning of the tricks pass as defined in Rules (9.07), and the last trick in time. A completed trick shall be judged to have been in time if the part of the ski under the binder is on the water in the last frame picture.

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9.18: Use of the Video Camera

The tricks shall be filmed by a video camera from the boat. The usual procedure will be to transmit the signal by radio to the Judge's Tower and the intention is to judge in real time. Backup video will be a stored copy of the video at the camera. Other than as stated in (9.12), the video film may only be shown as an aid to the Event Judges under the following circumstances:

- a) At the request of the Chief Judge or the Scorer if it is not possible for the scorer to obtain a majority decision as to the trick or tricks performed.
- b) At the request of the Chief Judge or Scorer if it is not possible for the scorer to obtain a majority decision as to whether or not credit is to be given for a trick.
- c) In circumstances, which the Chief Judge regards as exceptional, the Chief Judge may review the video and ask the applicable Event Judges to look at the run again so that the correct score may be established.
- d) At the request of a Judge (and approved by the Chief Judge) the video may be reviewed to establish credit or no credit of a trick or tricks provided the Judge(s) states which trick(s) they wish to review. It is not the intention to review the entire run.

The video will be shown **at either normal speed (100%) or 80% of normal speed**. For judging procedures see (9.12).

Recommendation:

It is important that the view of the ski must be as clear as possible. **The Homologator and the Chief Judge should select the correct height of the camera to achieve this.**

~~The camera needs to be high enough to achieve this. The camera should be situated higher than the top of the windscreen to give a clear view of the ski.~~

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9.20: Scoring

The Scorers shall receive the Judges sheets and, in the event of a discrepancy, shall decide the tricks to be scored based on a simple majority from among the Judges' individual Judges sheets as to:

- a) what trick was performed.
- b) if the trick was credited
- c) if the "last trick in time" (9.15) applies.

If there is more than one sequence that can be scored, the sequence that gives the maximum points shall be used.

In order to score the basic and reverse of any trick they must both be performed in the same pass. A maximum of six flips will be scored.

In competitions with Preliminary and Final rounds event placement will be based on the final round results only. The competitor with the highest score shall be the winner.

In the final of a titled event, it is recommended that the score of the skier should be announced before the next skier starts.

If eyeTrick is used the following amended rule will apply:

eyeTrick shall decide the tricks to be scored based on a simple majority from among the Judges' individual passes as to:

- a) what trick was performed.
- b) if the trick was credited
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Use of the event Judges as timer.

In most of the cases to find 2 adequate timing judges is difficult, with the new technology, the possibility to use the event judges as timers has been discussed.

The proposal has been accepted and the rule will be modify to allow it. **(See 9.15 above).**

Approved

Tricks working group.

With the advent of all this new technology and the new way of tricks judging, it is necessary to adapt the rules by reformulating some parts as:

Pre-turns

Pause

Hesitations

Wake tricks etc.

In this regard, it is necessary to formalize a working group (committee) that will work on it and proposes the necessary changes to the WSC.

The committee must be made up of people, with a good knowledge of the subject and who represent worldwide our sport.

SF offered himself to lead this working group. He will ask some of the USA/CAN most known coaches if they would like to be part of this committee.

For E&A Christophe Duverger is willing to be part of it.

MK has left the meeting before the discussion of this items, but we all believe he should be part of it.

AAO will submit as soon as possible his name/s.

Names will be submitted to CM for the official formalization of the committee.

Approved

WWS face to face meeting at the 2023 IWWF World Open Championships.

The possibility of having a face to face meeting during the Open World has been discussed and agreed.

Meeting will be schedule for Monday after the event.

The meeting close at 23:30 CET

Candido Moz