



The Mexican Waterski and Wakeboard Federation (FEMEW)  
and  
The IWWF Boat Wakeboard Council

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**WWC Chairman – Nuno Eça**

The IWWF Wakeboard World Championships in 2015 will be one of the most exciting wakeboard championships ever. We are returning to the PANAM Region and the whole wakeboarding community are stoked to be holding this prestigious event in Cancun, Mexico.

Previous World Championships have taken place in France, South Africa, Brazil, Australia, Spain, Russia, Qatar, Korea (twice), Italy and Mexico will be hosting the 2015 Championships, at the Mayan Water Complex, in Cancun.

To date, we have around 200 riders signed to ride at the event, from 29 countries, making this a massive event. This year we were also able to secure a total cash prize of 50.000\$, available for Open divisions, where all the professional athletes will be battling for their titles.

We have a fully international Officials Panel lead by experienced wakeboard judge Loren Levine from USA, where officials from 12 countries will assist with this truly International World Championships.

We are also pleased to announce that the wakeboard boat for the Championships will be the 2016 MasterCraft X-Star, finished in Electric Blue Flake on black, which should look awesome on the water in Cancun.

The closing party will also be rather special being a Halloween party, so please don't forget your costumes.



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## 1. Venue

Cancun is a Mexican city with tourism development certified by the World Tourism Organization internationally. Located on the northeast coast of Quintana Roo. 1,700 km from Mexico City.

The Venue, Mayan Water Complex (under construction) is a new site that will feature two world class cable lakes and one world class Boat Lake. When finished, the complex will feature cafeteria, facilities and accommodation. The site is on the heart of the Mayan Riviera about 30min from Cancun Airport and 20 min from Playa del Carmen.

### 1.1. Location of the site



#### **MAYAN WATER COMPLEX**

Federal Highway 307 Cancún-Tulum 50 km

Municipio Solidaridad

Cancún, Quintana Roo

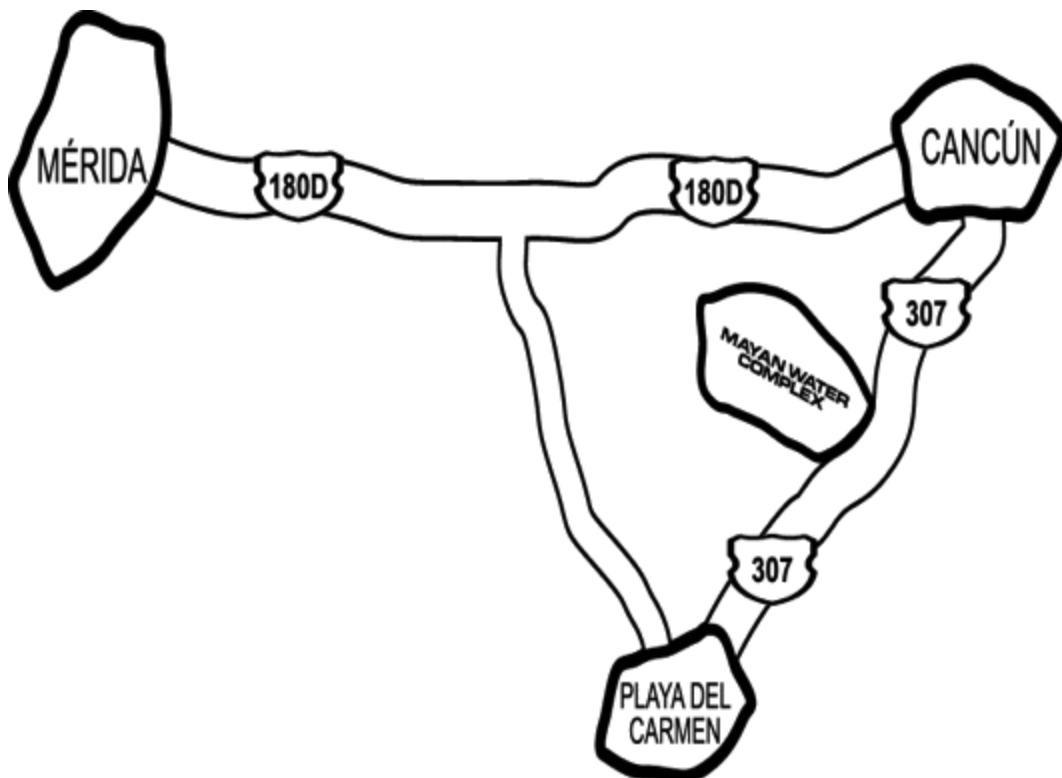
Coordinates: N20.759066, W86.971242

## 2. How to get there

### 2.1. Arriving at Cancun airport:

Exit airport and at the highway turn right (south) straight for 33 km. The site will be on your right, next door to Iberostar Paraiso Lindo Golf course, across the street from the hotel km 309. If you reach Playa del Carmen you have gone too far, so you need to turn around and look at your left on your way back.

Driving from Merida take highway 180D (Merida – Cancun), take Playa del Carmen Exit and once you reach highway 307 turn left toward Cancun, the property will be on your left at km 309.



### 3. General information

#### 3.1. Weather

Set in the Mexican Caribbean, Cancun and the Mayan Riviera enjoy a warm, tropical climate all year round. The average temperature is 25°C and benefits from hot water currents, making Cancun a paradise where summer never ends.

The hottest months are June, July and August with average maximum of 34°C and maximum recorded up to 40°C.

The temperature in Cancun in October ranges from 22°C to 30°C. Weather should be mild and pleasant as the rainy season ends in early October.

#### 3.2. Electricity

The standard electricity supply is 110 volts 60 hz (same as USA).



#### 3.3. Local Currency

The official currency in Cancun is the Mexican peso (MXN), American dollars are also accepted. Exchange houses and banks are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ATM are readily available and dispense pesos or dollars. Visa, American Express and MasterCard are accepted in most shops and restaurants.

#### 3.4. Visas

All participants at the 2015 IWWF Wakeboard World Championships should verify if they require a VISA to visit Mexico (See list of countries and visa requirements: [http://www.inm.gob.mx/index.php/page/Paises\\_Visa/en.html](http://www.inm.gob.mx/index.php/page/Paises_Visa/en.html))

Should you require an invitation letter issued by the Mexican National Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation we will be happy to provide it. It might suffice to have your own federation state that you are part of the team representing their country.

It is noteworthy that the VISA must be obtained from the embassy or consulate of Mexico PRIOR leaving your home country so we suggest you make the process well in advance.

#### 4. Accommodation



IBEROSTAR Paraíso Beach is a **5-star all-inclusive** family **hotel** with a distinctive Mexican **colonial style**. This impressive hotel is located in **Playa Paraíso, the center of Mexico's Mayan Riviera**. The hotel's decor includes **furnishings that are true works of art** and the lobby is adorned with marvelous wooden carvings. **The hotel's complimentary shuttle** makes it easy for guests to travel throughout the resort, it runs on a regular basis.

- **Luxurious Facilities.** The IBEROSTAR Paraíso Beach Hotel boasts one of the largest pools in the entire Mayan Riviera, over 3,280 feet in length! The pool area is furnished with Balinese beds and palm-thatched gazebos for relaxation. The IBEROSTAR Paraíso Beach is undoubtedly a 5-star luxury hotel.
- **Culinary Delights.** The gastronomic delicacies offered at the IBEROSTAR Paraíso Beach Hotel are an experience for all five senses. Our culinary expertise and variety of dining choices set us apart from ordinary all-inclusive hotels, from top buffets to à la carte restaurants serving appetizing Mexican fare and international cuisines.
- **Caribbean Sports.** Outdoor sports aficionados who enjoy being one with nature will be impressed by the IBEROSTAR Paraíso Beach Hotel's multitude of sports and leisure offerings including an amazing first class golf course and scuba center, among other great activities.  
- See more at: <http://www.iberostar.com/en/hotels/riviera-maya/iberostar-paraíso-beach>

**Reservations must be made at:**

<http://meetings.iberostar.com.mx/IberostarGroups/en/Home/Home/952a1597-2c01-4cc9-932e-3cafc5efef88>

There is a choice of 3 different hotels in the Resort. While the majority of participants will stay at Paraiso Beach Hotel, you may prefer one of the other 2 options.

The hotel is located across the road from the entry of the competition venue.



## 5. Transportation

Participants should arrive at Cancun International Airport. Major rental car companies are available at Cancun airport.

There will be transportation HOTEL - VENUE - HOTEL for all delegations; this transport will not have cost to participants of the tournament.

Also, the Hotel has a regular paid shuttle service from the airport, which will be available during the event. There will be a desk at the airport, where the shuttle service can be purchased. Please contact the hotel directly in order to arrange your transfer.

## 6. Food Service

During competition days the organizers will provide lunch at no cost to the riders, officials, team captains and dignitaries. For all others there will be food service available at the site (at a cost).

## 7. Closing banquet

Riders and officials will enjoy the closing banquet at no cost through a NON transferable ticket. For fans, family members and people interested in attending there will be a cost US\$60 dollars per person.

**After the closing ceremony, there will be a special Halloween Party. Thus, we invite all the athletes and families to bring their Halloween costumes, so we can have a truly remarkable night, where the surprises will be endless.**

## 8. Entry Fee

The Entry Fee for the tournament is US\$250 dollars per athlete.

## 9. Eligibility

A Federation may select its team in any manner it desires (according to the 2015 IWWF Wakeboard Rules). However, each team member must be a citizen or applying for citizenship of the country that the Federation represents. In case of doubt as to the nationality of a competitor, the Chief Judge and Chief Calculator normally will refer to his/her passport. If a rider does not have a passport from the country he/she is representing, he/she must prove residence in the country for at least five years and membership in an affiliated club of the Federation. Each Federation shall certify that all members of its team meet these qualifications.



Prior to competing, a competitor must sign a participation contract and understand the nature of the sport and its special risks, particularly in the format. It is the responsibility of the competitor to register with the designated registration person and show proof of Federation membership before riding. Competitors must disclose to the event organiser any special medical conditions, including but not limited to, injuries in the past or present or other pre-existing medical conditions.

### **VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

For all riders: Each rider must complete a release of liability form and hand it at accreditation. Failure to do so will prevent the rider from participating.

For minor riders only: a parental authorization to participate to the competition. The federation of the rider must attest that the authorization is official.

**Please read the 2015 IWWF Wakeboard Rules for further information**

#### **10. Intention to Enter**

The organizing committee requires countries interested in participating to send the attached registration form no later than September 30<sup>th</sup> 2015 to [wwake@femew.mx](mailto:wwake@femew.mx). Once the intention to enter has been received FEMEW will send back a password for the registration by name. If the intentions to enter are not sent by the date announced, a penalty of 250.00\$ will be applied.

#### **11. Registration by name**

Entries will only be accepted using the official web site form ([www.femew.mx/worldregistration](http://www.femew.mx/worldregistration)) and by authorized federations only. Registrations will only be final with a copy of the bank transfer showing evidence of payment of entry fees **before October 16**.

If the copy of the bank transfer is not attached, registration will not be taken into account and the penalty of US\$10 dollars per day per rider will be applied until full payment is made.

Entries will be closed on **October 25 at 21:00**. There will be no exceptions made after this time.

**All riders not being able to be present on site before the closing of the registration need to send copies of their passports and proof of payment. Otherwise they will not be considered for the event.**





## 12. Participant Photo ID

All federations must upload a Photo ID at the time of registration. If not possible, the team can send their pictures by e-mail to [wwake@femew.mx](mailto:wwake@femew.mx), include the rider name and country.

## 13. Unofficial training

The practice sessions will NOT BE OFFICIAL. Practice sessions will take place from **17<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, from 8:00AM until 6:00PM. The cost for practice sessions is US\$240.00 per hour (US\$40.00 per 10 minutes). Practice should be reserved through [wwake@femew.mx](mailto:wwake@femew.mx) Sessions will not be booked until payment is received. Time slots will be attributed on a first paid, first served base. So it means that until proof of payment is presented, the slots will be considered free.

Independent riders (riders not part of their National Teams), should also email the organisers on [wwake@femew.mx](mailto:wwake@femew.mx)

## 14. National Flags and Anthems

Each team must bring 2 to flag of its country. The flag should be no smaller than 70/100cm.

All teams should bring or send via e-mail their National Anthem.

## 15. Cash Prize

We have a total of US\$ 50.000 available for the Open Categories at the World Championships. The amount will be distributed as follows:

OPEN LADIES	OPEN MEN
1 <sup>st</sup> place – 4500 \$	1 <sup>st</sup> place – 11000 \$
2 <sup>nd</sup> place – 2500 \$	2 <sup>nd</sup> place – 6000 \$
3 <sup>rd</sup> place – 1750 \$	3 <sup>rd</sup> place – 4500 \$
4 <sup>th</sup> place – 1000 \$	4 <sup>th</sup> place – 3500 \$
5 <sup>th</sup> place – 750 \$	5 <sup>th</sup> place – 2500 \$
6 <sup>th</sup> place – 500 \$	6 <sup>th</sup> place – 1500 \$
7 <sup>th</sup> to 11 <sup>th</sup> place – 250 \$	7 <sup>th</sup> place – 1000 \$
	9 <sup>th</sup> place – 750 \$
	11 <sup>th</sup> place – 500 \$
	13 <sup>th</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> place – 250 \$



All participants in Open will have to provide their fully detailed bank account information, in order to receive the entitled cash prize.

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## 16. 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 found on [iwwfed.com](http://iwwfed.com) by clicking the Anti-Doping Information link at the top of the menu on the left sidebar of the homepage.

## 17. Official Towboat

### MasterCraft X-Star



Boat length	24' / 7.32 M
Beam	102" / 2.57 m
Interior width	87" / 2.21 M
Weight	5400 LBS / 2,449 KG
Fuel capacity	74 G / 280 L
Draft	28" / .71 M
Capacity	1852 Lbs / 840 Kg
Boat height	114"
Hull	Vector Drive
Seating	13 People
Color options	Infinite
Storage	81 cu Ft / 2.31 cu M
Wake	Thick - Rampy Wake w/ Crisp Lip Surf - Powerful Wake Shape
Activity	Wakeboard - Competition (23+ mph)



## 18. World Cup Eligibility

Riders who wish to be considered for selection for the 2016/2017 IWWF Wakeboard World Cup Series must compete in the 2015 IWWF Wakeboard World Championships in Cancun, Mexico. Only exceptions allowed will be injured riders, with a valid medical certificate, that have participated at the previous IWWF World Championships.

## 19. Judging Seminar

From the 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup> of October, FEMEW will organize an International Wakeboard Judging and Calculating Seminar. This is a great opportunity for all riders and others interested to understand the rules more deeply and what the judges are seeking while judging. We will cover the IWWF rules deeply, but also how to manage an event, the calculation software and the heat system.

All candidates willing to obtain their licenses, as official IWWF judges/calculators, will have a chance to do so by attending the Seminar and passing the exams presented.

The seminar will have the following schedule:

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

14:00 Judging seminar  
17:00 Coffee Break  
19:00 End of 1<sup>st</sup> day

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

09:00 Recap  
10:00 Exams (Written Exam & Video)

### Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>

09:00 Judging Seminar  
11:00 Coffee Break  
13:00 Lunch  
14:00 Judging Seminar  
17:00 Coffee Break  
19:00 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> day

## 20. U9 – 9 Years Old and Under Trophy

It was decided to open the U9 Division, for **promotion purposes only**.

We consider this to be an excellent way to promote the sport among younger generations, getting them involved with the competitive sport at earlier ages.

However, due to recommendations from the International Olympic Committee (IOC), World Championship titles will not be awarded and riders will not contribute team scores. Only trophies will be awarded to the winners of this division.





## 21. Officials

We have a fully international panel lead by experienced wakeboard judge Loren Levine from USA, where officials from 12 countries will assist with this truly International World Championships.

Chief Judge – Loren Levine USA

Assistant Chief Judge – Nils Kroon NED

Chief Calculator – Linda Johnston IRL

Chief Driver – Martin James AUS

Judge – Colin Hart GBR

Judge – Stefano Duranti ITA

Judge – Rob Iaconni AUS

Judge – Daniel Garcia BRA

Judge – Kentaro Terada JAP

Judge – Jeronimo Perez Priego MEX

Judge – Morio Kasutani JAP

Judge – Walter Ditsch ARG

Assistant Calculator – Jerson Delgado COL

Assistant Calculator – Na Sun Young KOR

Assistant Driver – Dan Levine USA

Assistant Driver – Sean Callebert BEL



## 22. Provisional Schedule (based only on Intentions to Enter received so far – may change at the Chief Judge/WWC discretion)

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> – End of registration**

14:30 Masters LCQ

**Until Monday – Unofficial Training**

15:45 Junior Men Quarter

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Qualifying / Opening Ceremony**

17:30 Junior Ladies Semi

09:00 Girls

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> – Quarter-Finals / Semi-Finals**

10:20 Boys

10:00 Open Ladies Quarter

12:15 Junior Ladies

11:45 Open Men Quarter

13:45 Veterans

14:15 Masters Semi

14:45 Masters

15:30 Girls Semi

16:30 Master Ladies

16:15 Boys Semi

16:50 Junior Men

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> – Finals / Closing**

19:30 Opening Ceremony

10:00 Open Men Semi

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> – Qualifying / LCQs**

09:00 Open Men

11:00 Girls Final

13:30 Open Ladies

11:45 Boys Final

22:00 Girls LCQ

12:15 Junior Ladies Final

17:00 Boys LCQ

12:45 Veterans Final

18:00 Junior Ladies LCQ

13:30 Masters Ladies

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> – LCQs / Quarter-Finals / Semi-Finals**

09:00 Junior Men LCQ

13:50 Masters Final

10:00 Open Ladies LCQ

14:30 Junior Men Final

11:15 Open Men LCQ

15:15 Open Ladies Final

14:00 Veterans LCQ

16:00 Open Men Final

17:30 Prize Giving

20:00 Closing Ceremony

23:00 Halloween Party

## 23. Contacts

[wwake@femew.mx](mailto:wwake@femew.mx)

### 19.1. Official web site

<http://www.femew.mx/wakeworlds>

### 19.2. Official Facebook event

[www.facebook.com/events/800037456717830/](http://www.facebook.com/events/800037456717830/)

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## INTENTION TO ENTER

The ..... FEDERATION will attend the 2015 IWWF Wakeboard Boat Championships.

We expect our team consists of:

U14 Boys	_____	U18 Men	_____
U14 Girls	_____	U18 Ladies	_____
Open Men	_____	O30 Men	_____
Open Ladies	_____	O30 Ladies	_____
O40 Men	_____	O40 Ladies	_____

Please note to open a division a minimum number of 3 countries represented are required.

Team Captain \_\_\_\_\_ Team Manager \_\_\_\_\_

For further information please contact \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form by September 30th  
[wwake@femew.mx](mailto:wwake@femew.mx)

