



Competitive Wake Surf Association, Inc. (CWSA)

CWSA World Ranking System 2017

The CWSA welcomes all suggestions and constructive comments from competitors, event organizers, judges and wake surfing advocates to help us improve the WRS for 2018! Please email any suggestions and constructive comments to wrs@thecwsa.org. In the meantime, be safe on the water and have fun!

1. REQUIREMENTS FOR RANKING BY THE CWSA WORLD RANKING SYSTEM

- 1.1 Event organizers must pay the CWSA Event Organizer Affiliation Fee, must use the CWSA judging/scoring system, must use the CWSA Competition Guidelines, and must comply with all contractual requirement for the category of event in order for their competitors to be eligible to appear on their respective World Ranking List. Event Organizers can register and pay their affiliation fee on-line at www.thecwsa.org.
- 1.2 Competitors must pay the annual CWSA Member Affiliation Fee and completely and accurately fill out their individual online Rider Profile in order to appear on their respective World Ranking List. Competitors can register and pay their affiliation fee on-line at www.thecwsa.org. Competitors with no competition activity for two consecutive years and who have not paid their annual membership fee each year shall be purged from the WSL.
- 1.3 In order for a competition/Division/competitor to be scored in the CWSA World Ranking List, a minimum of 3 competitors must start the competition in the respective Division and event. (See § 8 for more details on this topic)

2. ABBREVIATIONS & TERMINOLOGY

- 2.1 CWSA: Competitive Wake Surfing Association, Inc.
- 2.2 WRS: CWSA World Ranking System
- 2.3 WRL: World Ranking List
- 2.4 BP: Base-Points: At the start of each competition year, the final points published for each competitor in each Division at the end of the previous competition year will be calibrated. The calibrated final points will be used as each competitor's CWSA WRS previous Base-Points (BP). The previous BP will also be used as one of the competitor's results until a better result is achieved.
 - 2.4.1 In the event that a competitor is not able to achieve two (in the case of all Divisions except Outlaw and Pro), three in the case of Outlaw competitors, or four (in the case of Pro competitors) results higher than their previous BP during the current competition year, the previous Base-Points will be reduced by 30% for the last calculation list. If the reduced previous BP is lower than another result achieved during the current competition year, the current higher competition result will be used as one of the best results.
 - 2.4.2 In the event that a competitor is not able to achieve two (in the case of all Divisions except Outlaw and Pro), three in the case of Outlaw competitors, or four (in the case of Pro competitors) results higher than the previous BP, such results shall become the competitor's current Base-Points (BP), which shall be used thereafter in lieu of the competitor's previous BP to calculate the ABP, as otherwise required herein.
(see Section 6 for more details on this topic)
- 2.5 Calibrated Final Points: After the final points are published for each rider and each Division, the points for each rider in each Division shall be calibrated as follows: the first place competitor's final points shall be divided into 500, and the resulting product shall be applied to each competitor's results in the Division. Example: The first place competitor in a Division has a final published result of 400. The resulting calculation is $500/400=1.25$. Each competitor's final points in that Division would then be multiplied by 1.25 to achieve the calibrated final points.
- 2.6 ABP: Average Base-Points, which shall be the numeric average of the BP of the best three competitors starting a competition in a Division, and shall be used together with the Competition Level to determine the appropriate points scale to apply to that Division in that specific event.
 - 2.6.1 For calculation the ABP, fractional numbers are rounded to next LARGER whole number.
- 2.7 PS: Points-Scale
 - 2.7.1 To determine correct points scale using the ABP for a Division where the ABP falls between two Point-Scales in the Competition Level range:

- 2.7.2 If the ABP is equal to the midpoint plus 1, or greater, use the next Points-Scale up.
- 2.7.3 If the ABP is the mid-point between Points-Scales or less, use next Points-Scale down.
- 2.7.4 If the ABP is lower than the Competition Level Points-Scale range, the lowest Points-Scale in the Competition Level range shall be used.

- 2.8 WWSC: World Wake Surfing Championship

- 2.9 WSOWS: World Series of Wake Surfing

- 2.10 ‘Skill Level’: For each gender, except Juniors, there shall be five (5) Skill Levels as follows: Pro, Outlaw, Amateur, Masters and Juniors.

- 2.11 ‘Style(s)’: For each Skill Level except Juniors, there shall be two Styles, Skim and Surf. Although not defined, Skim and Surf Style are typically recognized by the following:
 - 2.11.1 ‘Skim Style’: board no greater than an inch thick with fin no more than 2 inches tall.
 - 2.11.2 ‘Surf Style’: board more than an inch thick; minimum of 2 fins of at least 2 inches tall

- 2.12 ‘Division’ shall mean a specific Skill Level, gender and Style, for example Pro Men’s Skim, Amateur Women’s Surf. If the Style is not specified, it means that Surf Style and Skim Style has been combined for that Division, for example, Men’s Masters. (See point 4.0 for all Divisions)

- 2.13 Masters: For 2017, the minimum age for male competitors is 44 years (this age is increasing annually and currently planned to cap at age 45). For 2017, the minimum age for female competitors is 35 years or older. Age is determined as of the 1st day of the calendar year.

- 2.14 Juniors: Under 13 years old (12 or less). Age is determined as of the 1st day of the calendar year.

- 2.15 ‘Start or started’ as it is used to determine the number of competitors in a Division means that the competitor is in the water behind the event tow boat and begins or attempts to begin the competitor’s first pass of his/her competition run.

- 2.16 ‘Competition year’ and ‘evaluation period’ are synonymous and shall begin the day after the conclusion of the WWSC each year and shall end on the final day of the next subsequent WWSC each year.

- 2.17 AM : Amateur

- 2.18 Competition Levels: Competition levels shall be as follows: Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum and Diamond level events.

3. WHY USE A WORLD RANKING SYSTEM

The CWSA World Ranking System (WRS) is a variable, partially cumulative weighted average of the athlete's BEST wakesurf contest finishes. It is designed to approximate an athlete's relative position in a Division for all contests participating in the WRS.

It is NOT the actual average of all finish results for an athlete during a season or multiple seasons. The WRS uses ONLY the best finishes, and thus it is a partial average. It is NOT a fixed value place points ranking system.

It is variable, and partially cumulative because during the competition year, prior to each year's final calculation, the athlete's current score may consist of current and previous year contest finish results.

It is also variable as the points earned for finish rank are not fixed, but rather depend on the average of the top three competitors in the Division at the event in which the points are earned.

The previous year finish component of an athlete score is weighted by calibration at year end. Additionally, individual current year score values may be weighted based on the athlete's finish rank order at a specific competition depending on the event level.

At the beginning of each evaluation period, the weight of the previous year's results is proportionally higher, and its impact on the athletes current score diminishes as more contest results in the current evaluation period are obtained by the athlete.

Each competitor who finishes a competition event without disqualification earns points based on their ranking, so long as there are minimum of 3 riders in that Division. Points are used to rank competitors internationally on each of CWSA World Ranking Lists.

The World Ranking List (WRL) is the listing of the riders and their associated values as calculated by the WRS at various points in time.

This allows competitors to compare their performance against the performance of other riders in their Division in other parts of the globe whom they may not compete against directly.

4. HOW THE WORLD RANKING SYSTEM WORKS

4.1 There is one CWSA World Ranking List (WRL) for each Division.

1	Pro Men Skim	9	Amateur Men Skim
2	Pro Women Skim	10	Amateur Women Skim
3	Pro Men Surf	11	Amateur Men Surf
4	Pro Women Surf	12	Amateur Women Surf
5	Outlaw Men Skim	13	Masters Men Skim
6	Outlaw Women Skim	14	Masters Men Surf
7	Outlaw Men Surf	15	Masters Women Skim
8	Outlaw Women Surf	16	Masters Women Surf
		17	Juniors (combined and mixed gender)

4.2 The lists will be available on-line for all competitors and event organizers to see. They will be updated bi-monthly in the summer months (June, July & August) and monthly for the rest of the year.

4.3 The evaluation period shall begin the day after the conclusion of the WWSC each year and shall end on the final day of the next subsequent WWSC each year. The last WRS ranking list for each Division will be calculated as soon as practical following the conclusion of that year's WWSC, and that final ranking calculation result will then be calibrated and will become the previous Base-Points (BP) for the next evaluation period.

4.4 Points Value Awarded to Each Finish Place

The exact numeric value of points awarded to each competitor's finish place is determined by the Competition Level and the average Base-Points (ABP) of the best 3 riders starting the event in that particular Division. Once the Competition Level and Average Base Points have been determined, the appropriate points scale can be used for each Division.

4.5 For PRO Divisions, each competitor's CWSA World Ranking Points will be the average of the points from the competitor's **best 4 competition** results in the current evaluation period, for each distinct Division.

4.6 For OUTLAW Divisions, each competitor's CWSA World Ranking Points will be the average of the points from the competitor's **best 3 competition** results in the current evaluation period, for each distinct Division.

4.7 For ALL OTHER Divisions, each competitor's CWSA World Ranking Points will be the average of the points from the competitor's **best 2 competition** results in the current evaluation period, for each distinct Division.

4.8 Ties. If the CWSA WRL ranking points of 2 or more competitors in a Division are tied, the tie shall be resolved as follows:

4.8.1 In the case of Pro Divisions, the competitor with the highest event result (including the previous BP, if used) shall prevail. If a tie still results, then the 2nd highest event result shall be used; and if still tied, then the 3rd highest event result shall be used; and if still tied, then the 4th highest event result shall be used. If the competitors are still tied after using the 4th highest event result the ranking will remain tied.

4.8.2 In the case of Outlaw Divisions, the competitor with the highest event result (including the previous BP, if used) shall prevail. If a tie still results, then the 2nd highest event result shall be used; and if still tied, then the 3rd highest event result shall be used. If the competitors are still tied after using the 3rd highest event result the ranking will remain tied.

4.8.3 In the case of all other non-Pro Divisions, the competitor with the highest event result (including the previous BP, if used) shall prevail. If a tie still results, then the 2nd highest event result shall be used. If the competitors are still tied after using the 2nd highest event result the ranking will remain tied.

5.0 POINTS-SCALE

5.1 Competition Levels and Respective Points-Scale Range

TABLE 1: COMPETITION LEVELS / POINTS-SCALE RANGE

LEVEL	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM	DIAMOND
EXAMPLES OF COMPETITIONS FOR EACH COMPETITION LEVEL	WRS Qualified Regional competitions, Grassroots events and INT League events.	WRS Qualified Regional competitions, Pro Wake Tour, Grassroots events and INT League events that meet all minimum requirements	World Series of Wake Surfing event that meet all minimum requirements	National Competitions (e.g., US and Canadian Nationals), and such other Continental or World Series of Wake Surfing event that meet all minimum requirements.	International World Series of Wake Surfing events that meet all minimum requirements. (WWSC)
POINTS-SCALE RANGE	120-600	220-600	220-600	260-600	320-600

5.2 Competition Levels and Requirements

TABLE 2: COMPETITION LEVELS / REQUIREMENTS

To qualify as a particular competition level, an event must meet all the requirements.

Event Requirements	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum	Diamond
Minimum Pro Cash Purse PER PRO DIVISION**	N/A	\$1,250	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$10,000
Minimum Number of Judges	3	3	3	3	3
Minimum Pro Divisions (with at least 3 riders per pro division)	N/A	2	2	3	4
Event Size	N/A	N/A	Minimum of 40 registrations (all divisions combined) or minimum 10 pro registrations the previous year	Minimum of 60 registrations (all divisions combined) or minimum 12 pro registrations the previous year	Minimum of 80 registrations (all divisions combined) or minimum 20 pro registrations the previous year
Video Feed: Ship to Shore and Live Feed	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	Require SHIP TO SHORE. LIVE FEED RECOMMENDED.	Require: SHIP TO SHORE, AND LIVE FEED Optional delayed upload if live feed bandwidth is not available.	Require: SHIP TO SHORE, AND LIVE FEED Optional delayed upload if live feed bandwidth is not available
Competitor Requirements	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum	Diamond
Minimum requirements to register for an event	N/A	N/A	N/A	Registration limitation: Competitor must have greater than 0 WRL score, suggest at least 75. Limited number of 'promoter choice' invitations permitted.	Registration limitation: Invitational only (top WRS rank of each division) Limited number of 'promoter choice' invitations permitted.
** For events with local currencies valued below the US Dollar at the announcement of the event, the Cash Purse must be the greater of the equivalent value at the current exchange rate or 80% of the US Dollar equivalent.					

5.3 WRS Points per Rank

Each competitor will earn a specific percentage of the Points-Scale (PS) based on their final ranking for each event. The competitor who finishes 1st in a Division will earn 100% of the Points-Scale previously established. The competitor who finishes in 2nd place will earn 90% of the PS, 3rd earns 80%, (...). In the event that there are more than 50 competitors in a Division, all competitors in excess of 50 will be scored as 50th place. In the case of a ‘heats’ format, the non-advancing riders will receive the ranking relative to the elimination heat.

EXAMPLE: In a Division, there are two heats of 7 competitors each. Only 6 competitors from each heat will advance to the next round. The non-advancing competitors in both heats shall both receive points based on 13th place finishes.

For all placements (rank) and their respective percentage for each Point-Scale, please consult Annex 1 (POINTS PER RANK)

5.4 Points-scale for competitions 2017

TABLE 3: POINTS-SCALE SPECIFIC COMPETITION LEVELS

BRONZE LEVEL EVENTS:	
ABP Top 3 Competitors in Division	Points-Scale Range Used
0 to 130	120
131 to 150	140
151 to 170	160
171 to 190	180
191 to 210	200
211 to 230	220
231 to 250	240
251 to 275	260
276 to 305	290
306 to 340	320
341 to 380	360
381 to 425	400
426 to 475	450
476 to 550	500
551 to 600	600
SILVER LEVEL EVENTS:	
GOLD LEVEL EVENTS:	
0 to 230	220
231 to 250	240
251 to 275	260
276 to 305	290
306 to 340	320
341 to 380	360
381 to 425	400
426 to 475	450

476 to 550	500
551 to 600	600
PLATINIUM LEVEL EVENTS:	
0 to 275	260
276 to 305	290
306 to 340	320
341 to 380	360
381 to 425	400
426 to 475	450
476 to 550	500
551 to 600	600
DIAMOND LEVEL EVENTS:	
0 to 340	320
341 to 380	360
381 to 425	400
426 to 475	450
476 to 550	500
551 to 600	600

6.0 COMPETITORS WITH BASE-POINTS (BP)

6.1 At the start of the competition year, the calibrated points, §§ 2.4, 2.5, published at the end of the previous competition year will then be used as the competitor’s CWSA WRS previous Base-Points. The previous BP will also be used as one of the competitor’s best results until better scores are achieved. In the event that a competitor has not been able to achieve a second result higher than their previous Base-Points (BP) during the current competition year, the previous BP will be reduced by 30% as one of the best results for the last calculation list. If that result is lower than another result achieved during the competition year, the other result may now be used as one of the best results.

EXAMPLES for a competitor competing in any Skill Level except Outlaw and Pro:				
EXAMPLE A	Previous Base-Points	Two best results	Current Base-Points	BP used for the ABP calculation
An amateur rider has 360 previous Base-Points, the competitor’s current Base-Points are then $(360 + 0) / 2 = 180$. Since the current BP (180) are less than the previous BP (360), the previous BP (360) will be used for the ABP calculation.	360	$360 + 0$	180	Previous BP: 360
If the competitor achieves (i.e. 310) as their first result, the current Base-Points are now $(360+310) / 2 = 335$. Since the current BP (335) are still less than the previous BP (360), the previous BP (360) will still be used for the ABP calculation.	360	$360 + 310$	335	Previous BP: 360
- When the competitor achieves a second result that is greater than one (or both) of the	360	$360 + 380$	370	Current BP: 370

competitor's results (i.e. 380), the lowest result is then ignored and the current BP would now be $(360+380) / 2 = 370$. Since the current BP (370) are higher than the previous BP (360), the current BP (370) are now used for the ABP calculation.		(310 is no longer used)		
- In the event that a competitor has not been able to achieve a second result higher than their previous BP during the current competition year, the previous BP will be reduced by 30% as one of the best results for the final ranking list. In this case, $360-30\% = 252$. - If that result is lower than another result achieved during the competition year, the other result may now be used as one of the best result (which is the case in this example 252 is lower than 310) so the points for the final ranking list would now be calculated as $(310 + 380)/2 = 345$	252 (360-30%)	310 + 380 /2 (the previous BP "360-30%=252" is no longer used, because lower than 310)	345	Current BP: 345 are used for the final ranking list (which will become the previous BP for the following year.)
EXAMPLE B	Previous Base-Points	Two best results	Current Base-Points	BP used for the ABP calculation
An amateur rider has 360 previous Base-Points, the competitor's current Base-Points are then $(360 + 0) / 2 = 180$. Since the current BP (180) are less than the previous BP (360), the previous BP (360) will be used for the ABP calculation.	360	360 + 0	180	Previous BP: 360
If the competitor achieves (i.e. 380) as their first result, the current Base-Points are now $(360+380) / 2 = 370$. Since the current BP (370) are higher than the previous BP (360), the current BP (370) are now used for the ABP calculation.	360 (used as one of the best results but no longer used for the ABP)	360 + 380	370	Current BP: 370
If the competitor achieves a second result that is not greater than his/her previous BP (i.e. 310, which is lower than 360), we would then ignore this result and the previous BP will still be used as one of the best results (i.e. The current Base-Points will be 370 and will still be used for the ABP calculation.		360 + 380 (310 is not used)	370	Current BP: 370
When another result is achieved that is better than the previous BP (i.e. 390), those previous BP are then no longer used.	360 (no longer used)	380 + 390	385	Current BP: 385
EXAMPLE C	Previous Base-Points	Two best results	Current Base-Points	BP used for the ABP calculation
An amateur rider has 360 previous Base-Points, the competitor's current Base-Points are then $(360 + 0) / 2 = 180$. Since the current BP (180) are less than the previous BP (360), the previous BP (360) will be used for the ABP calculation.	360	360 + 0	180	Previous BP: 360

If the competitor achieves (i.e. 220) as their first result, the current Base-Points are now $(360+220) / 2 = 290$. Since the current BP (290) are still less than the previous BP (360), the previous BP (360) will still be used for the ABP calculation.	360	$360 + 220$	290	Previous BP: 360
In the event that a competitor has not been able to achieve a single result higher than his/her previous BP during the current competition year, the previous BP will be reduced by 20% as one of the best results for the final ranking list. In this case, $360-30\% = 252$. If that result is lower than another result achieved during the competition year, the other result may now be used as one of the best result (which is not the case in this example) so the points for the final ranking list are calculated as $(252 + 220)/2 = 236$	252 (360-30%)	$252 + 220$	236	Current BP: 236 are used for the final ranking list

6.2 In the case of a competitor who has previous Base-Points but did not compete in any event that year, that competitor will see their Base-Points drop considerably for the final ranking list. The competitor's BP will first be reduced by 30% for the final calculation, and this number is then used as one of the best results.

EXAMPLE A (for a competitor competing in Pro Division):

A Pro competitor has previous Base-Points of 210, and hasn't competed in the current competition year. The competitor's BP will first be reduced by 30% (so $210 - 30\% = 147$) and this number is then used as one of the best results. In this example the Base-Points for the final ranking list will then be $(147+ 0 + 0+ 0)/4 = 36.75$

EXAMPLE B (for a competitor competing in any Skill Level except Outlaw and Pro):	Previous Base-Points	Two best results	Current Base-Points	BP used for the ABP calculation
An amateur rider has 360 previous Base-Points, his/her current Base-Points are then $(360 + 0) / 2 = 180$. Since the current BP (180) are less than the previous BP (360), the previous BP (360) will be used for the ABP calculation.	360	$360 + 0$	180	Previous BP: 360
In the event that a competitor has not been able to participate in any competitions in the current year, the previous BP will be reduced by 30% as one of the best results for the final ranking list. In this case, $360-30\% = 252$.	252 (360-30%)	$252 + 0$	126	Current BP: 126 are used for the final ranking list

7. COMPETITORS WITH NO BASE-POINTS

In the case of a new competitor with no previous Base-Points the Base-Points are Zero until a single result is achieved.

EXAMPLE (for a competitor in Pro Division):

- Previous Base-Points = 0.00

- When a first result is achieved (i.e., 320), current Base-Points are then calculated as $(320+0+0+0)/4 = 80$

- Once a second result is achieved (i.e., 340), current Base-Points are now calculated as $(320+340+0+0)/4 = 165$

- Once a third result is achieved (i.e., 120), current Base-Points are now calculated as $(320+340+120+0)/4 = 195$

- If a fourth result is earned (i.e., 215), the best four scores will be averaged and the current Base-Points will then be calculated as $(320+340+120+215)/4 = 248.75$

- If a fifth result is earned (i.e., 275), the best four scores will be averaged and the current Base-Points will then be calculated as $(320+340+215+275)/4 = 287.50$. In this case, the lowest previous result (120) will no longer be used.

8. DIVISIONS COMBINED: An Event Organizer May Combine Two Styles in a Division.

8.1 In the event that Skim and Surf Styles are being combined for the same Skill Level in a particular competition (example “Amateur Women Skim” and “Amateur Women Surf”), the PS selection will be the ABP of the top three competitors of both Skim and Surf merged. If a competitor was registered in both Skim and Surf, the competitor will now have to choose one of the two for the purpose of competing in that event, and if that competitor’s BP is one of the highest three, the ABP will be calculated using the higher BP (Skim or Surf) of that competitor.

EXAMPLE

In a Gold star level event, Mary is registered as one of the 2 girls AM Women Skim and Eva is registered as one of the 4 girls in AM Women Surf (Nathalie was registered in both but decided to compete with her Surf Style board). Since the event organizer decided to combine those two Divisions, there will be 6 competitors in the “new” Division. In this case, the PS used will be the ABP of the top 3 competitors in the combined Division.

Mary finished 4th and earned points going towards her AM WOMEN SKIM WRL.

Eva finished 1st and earned points going towards her AM WOMEN SURF WRL.

Nathalie finished 2nd and earned points going towards her AM WOMEN SURF WRL.

8.2 Combining Two Divisions of Different Skill Levels

Example: Outlaw Women Surf and Pro Women Surf.

- 8.2.1 The example above is NOT recommended by the CWSA, better to combine skim and surf within same Skill Level. If there are less than 3 competitors in a Division with the same Skill Level, combined Style or not, those riders would not be eligible to earn points for the respective WRL. See § 1.3, supra.

9. SKILL LEVEL CHANGES DURING A COMPETITION YEAR, MANDATORY SKILL LEVEL CHANGES, PROHIBITIONS AND RELATED RULES

- 9.1 A competitor cannot compete in two different Skill Levels in a competition event, or events.

Example, if John is competing in **Outlaw Men Skim** and decides to compete Surf Style as well, he cannot register in **Amateur** Men Surf in the same event, or in a subsequent event. He will have to compete in both Outlaw Men Skim and Outlaw Men Surf.

- 9.2 If a competitor decides to change Skill Level during the competition year, that competitor's current WRS score for each Division will be adjusted by multiplying that score by .40, and the product will be that competitor's BP for the new Skill Level and Division. (Example: a rider moving from Amateur to Outlaw during the competition year). If a competitor changes Skill Level from one year to the next, that competitor's Base-Points from each previous Division will be adjusted by multiplying that score by .40, and the product will be that competitor's BP for the new Skill Level and each Division.

- 9.3 A competitor may change Skill Level from one season to the next as follows:

- Junior to Amateur, Outlaw or Pro
- Amateur to Masters, Outlaw, or Pro
- Outlaw to Masters or Pro
- Masters to Outlaw or Pro
- Pro to Masters

A competitor may change Skill Level once during a competition year as follows:

- Junior to Amateur, Outlaw or Pro
- Amateur to Outlaw, or Pro
- Outlaw to Pro
- Masters to Outlaw or Pro
- Outlaw to Masters (only when the athlete is subject to a mandatory skill level change, see 9.6.2 and 9.6.3 below).
- Pro to Masters (only when the athlete is subject to a mandatory skill level change, see 9.6.2 and 9.6.3 below).

In any such event, if the competitor has BP from the previous competition year, the provisions of § 9.2 above will apply.

9.4 Mandatory Skill Level changes, Recommended Skill Level Changes.

9.5 Amateurs:

- 9.5.1 If an Amateur competitor placed among the top 10 competitors in the previous year's WSL in either Style, for the current year that competitor must compete in the Outlaw Skill Level, or if the competitor so elects, the Pro Skill level, or if qualified by age, the Masters Skill level. If the Amateur is 14 years of age or younger as of January 1 of the current competition year and was not ranked 1st in the WSL in either style, the Skill level change would not be required, but would be strongly recommended.
- 9.5.2 The Mandatory Skill level change between Amateur and Outlaw shall be considered a 'one season to the next' Skill level change pursuant to 9.3
- 9.5.3 Any election by a competitor to compete in any other Skill level shall be considered a 'during competition year' Skill level change pursuant to 9.3.
- 9.5.4 The CWSA strongly recommends that all Amateur competitors who received an invitation to the WWSC in the previous competition year voluntarily elect to compete in the Outlaw Skill Level in the current completion year.

9.6 Outlaws:

- 9.6.1 If an Outlaw competitor placed among the top 3 competitors at the previous year's WSL in either Style, for the current year that competitor must compete in the Pro Skill Level, or at the election of the competitor and if qualified by age, the Masters skill level. If the Outlaw is 15 years of age or younger as of January 1st of the current competition year and was not ranked 1st in the WSL in either style, the Skill level change would not be required, but would be strongly recommended.
- 9.6.2 The Mandatory Skill level change between Outlaw and Pro shall be considered a 'one season to the next' Skill level change pursuant to 9.3
- 9.6.3 Any election by a competitor to compete in any other Skill level shall be considered a 'during competition year' Skill level change pursuant to 9.3.

9.7 A competitor subject to a Mandatory Skill level change may not transfer to the Juniors Skill level.

9.8 The CWSA strongly recommends that all competitors who received an invitation to the WWSC in the previous competition year give due consideration to the ~~Division~~ Skill level that they will declare in the current completion year such that they are competing against other competitors of a similar Skill Level.

9.9 The CWSA Board of Directors, or their designee, reserves the right to move a competitor to another Skill Level, exempt a rider from a mandatory Skill level change, or require a Skill level change notwithstanding any minimum or maximum age limitations if in the sole discretion of the Board or their designee, that competitor is not competing at a Skill Level consistent with the competitor's abilities.

9.10 All other moves require the prior approval of the CWSA Board of Directors, or their designee, and the points may be transferred at a percentage to be determined by the Board in its sole discretion, consistent with the purposes of the WRS.

10 INJURIES

For good cause shown, such as illness, injury or pregnancy that prevents a competitor from competing during any competition year, the competitor may send a request to the CWSA secretary by email requesting a “freeze” his/her points for period of 360 days without penalty. The request shall be promptly considered by the Executive Committee or its delegate, and shall grant or deny such request. If the competitor objects to the Committee’s decision, the competitor shall be entitled to appeal for a review of the decision to the full Board of Directors within 14 days of the emailing of the decision to the competitor by the Executive Committee. The Notice of Appeal shall be emailed to the Secretary of the CWSA Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have the discretion to consider the decision of the Executive Committee on the record previously submitted, or may proceed otherwise in accordance with the By-laws of the CWSA.

ANNEX 1: 2017 CWSA World Ranking System - Points per Rank

Position / Rank	Ave BP Top 3 Competitors %	600	500	450	400	360	320	290	260	240	220	200	180	160	140	120	100	80	60
1	100	600	500	450.0	400.0	360.0	320.0	290.0	260.0	240.0	220.0	200.0	180.0	160.0	140.0	120.0	100.0	80.0	60.0
2	90	540	450	405.0	360.0	324.0	288.0	261.0	234.0	216.0	198.0	180.0	162.0	144.0	126.0	108.0	90.0	72.0	54.0
3	80	480	400	360.0	320.0	288.0	256.0	232.0	208.0	192.0	176.0	160.0	144.0	128.0	112.0	96.0	80.0	64.0	48.0
4	70	420	350	315.0	280.0	252.0	224.0	203.0	182.0	168.0	154.0	140.0	126.0	112.0	98.0	84.0	70.0	56.0	42.0
5	65	390	325	292.5	260.0	234.0	208.0	188.5	169.0	156.0	143.0	130.0	117.0	104.0	91.0	78.0	65.0	52.0	39.0
6	60	360	300	270.0	240.0	216.0	192.0	174.0	156.0	144.0	132.0	120.0	108.0	96.0	84.0	72.0	60.0	48.0	36.0
7	55	330	275	247.5	220.0	198.0	176.0	159.5	143.0	132.0	121.0	110.0	99.0	88.0	77.0	66.0	55.0	44.0	33.0
8	51	306	255	229.5	204.0	183.6	163.2	147.9	132.6	122.4	112.2	102.0	91.8	81.6	71.4	61.2	51.0	40.8	30.6
9	47	282	235	211.5	188.0	169.2	150.4	136.3	122.2	112.8	103.4	94.0	84.6	75.2	65.8	56.4	47.0	37.6	28.2
10	43	258	215	193.5	172.0	154.8	137.6	124.7	111.8	103.2	94.6	86.0	77.4	68.8	60.2	51.6	43.0	34.4	25.8
11	40	240	200	180.0	160.0	144.0	128.0	116.0	104.0	96.0	88.0	80.0	72.0	64.0	56.0	48.0	40.0	32.0	24.0
12	37	222	185	166.5	148.0	133.2	118.4	107.3	96.2	88.8	81.4	74.0	66.6	59.2	51.8	44.4	37.0	29.6	22.2
13	34	204	170	153.0	136.0	122.4	108.8	98.6	88.4	81.6	74.8	68.0	61.2	54.4	47.6	40.8	34.0	27.2	20.4
14	32	192	160	144.0	128.0	115.2	102.4	92.8	83.2	76.8	70.4	64.0	57.6	51.2	44.8	38.4	32.0	25.6	19.2
15	30	180	150	135.0	120.0	108.0	96.0	87.0	78.0	72.0	66.0	60.0	54.0	48.0	42.0	36.0	30.0	24.0	18.0
16	28	168	140	126.0	112.0	100.8	89.6	81.2	72.8	67.2	61.6	56.0	50.4	44.8	39.2	33.6	28.0	22.4	16.8
17	27	162	135	121.5	108.0	97.2	86.4	78.3	70.2	64.8	59.4	54.0	48.6	43.2	37.8	32.4	27.0	21.6	16.2
18	26	156	130	117.0	104.0	93.6	83.2	75.4	67.6	62.4	57.2	52.0	46.8	41.6	36.4	31.2	26.0	20.8	15.6
19	25	150	125	112.5	100.0	90.0	80.0	72.5	65.0	60.0	55.0	50.0	45.0	40.0	35.0	30.0	25.0	20.0	15.0
20	24	144	120	108.0	96.0	86.4	76.8	69.6	62.4	57.6	52.8	48.0	43.2	38.4	33.6	28.8	24.0	19.2	14.4
21	23	138	115	103.5	92.0	82.8	73.6	66.7	59.8	55.2	50.6	46.0	41.4	36.8	32.2	27.6	23.0	18.4	13.8
22	22	132	110	99.0	88.0	79.2	70.4	63.8	57.2	52.8	48.4	44.0	39.6	35.2	30.8	26.4	22.0	17.6	13.2
23	21	126	105	94.5	84.0	75.6	67.2	60.9	54.6	50.4	46.2	42.0	37.8	33.6	29.4	25.2	21.0	16.8	12.6
24	20	120	100	90.0	80.0	72.0	64.0	58.0	52.0	48.0	44.0	40.0	36.0	32.0	28.0	24.0	20.0	16.0	12.0
25	19	114	95	85.5	76.0	68.4	60.8	55.1	49.4	45.6	41.8	38.0	34.2	30.4	26.6	22.8	19.0	15.2	11.4
26	18	108	90	81.0	72.0	64.8	57.6	52.2	46.8	43.2	39.6	36.0	32.4	28.8	25.2	21.6	18.0	14.4	10.8
27	17	102	85	76.5	68.0	61.2	54.4	49.3	44.2	40.8	37.4	34.0	30.6	27.2	23.8	20.4	17.0	13.6	10.2
28	16	96	80	72.0	64.0	57.6	51.2	46.4	41.6	38.4	35.2	32.0	28.8	25.6	22.4	19.2	16.0	12.8	9.6
29	15	90	75	67.5	60.0	54.0	48.0	43.5	39.0	36.0	33.0	30.0	27.0	24.0	21.0	18.0	15.0	12.0	9.0
30	14	84	70	63.0	56.0	50.4	44.8	40.6	36.4	33.6	30.8	28.0	25.2	22.4	19.6	16.8	14.0	11.2	8.4
31	13	78	65	58.5	52.0	46.8	41.6	37.7	33.8	31.2	28.6	26.0	23.4	20.8	18.2	15.6	13.0	10.4	7.8
32	12	72	60	54.0	48.0	43.2	38.4	34.8	31.2	28.8	26.4	24.0	21.6	19.2	16.8	14.4	12.0	9.6	7.2
33	11	66	55	49.5	44.0	39.6	35.2	31.9	28.6	26.4	24.2	22.0	19.8	17.6	15.4	13.2	11.0	8.8	6.6
34	10	60	50	45.0	40.0	36.0	32.0	29.0	26.0	24.0	22.0	20.0	18.0	16.0	14.0	12.0	10.0	8.0	6.0
35	9	54	45	40.5	36.0	32.4	28.8	26.1	23.4	21.6	19.8	18.0	16.2	14.4	12.6	10.8	9.0	7.2	5.4
36	8	48	40	36.0	32.0	28.8	25.6	23.2	20.8	19.2	17.6	16.0	14.4	12.8	11.2	9.6	8.0	6.4	4.8
37	7	42	35	31.5	28.0	25.2	22.4	20.3	18.2	16.8	15.4	14.0	12.6	11.2	9.8	8.4	7.0	5.6	4.2
38	6	36	30	27.0	24.0	21.6	19.2	17.4	15.6	14.4	13.2	12.0	10.8	9.6	8.4	7.2	6.0	4.8	3.6
39	5	30	25	22.5	20.0	18.0	16.0	14.5	13.0	12.0	11.0	10.0	9.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0
40	4	24	20	18.0	16.0	14.4	12.8	11.6	10.4	9.6	8.8	8.0	7.2	6.4	5.6	4.8	4.0	3.2	2.4
41	3	18	15	13.5	12.0	10.8	9.6	8.7	7.8	7.2	6.6	6.0	5.4	4.8	4.2	3.6	3.0	2.4	1.8
42	2	12	10	9.0	8.0	7.2	6.4	5.8	5.2	4.8	4.4	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.8	2.4	2.0	1.6	1.2
43	1	6	5	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
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46	1	6	5	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
47	1	6	5	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
48	1	6	5	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
49	1	6	5	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
50	1	6	5	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6

