



GWA WINGFOIL WORLD CUP Dakhla, Morocco 2023

22.09.-01.10.2023

It is a pleasure to announce the third and final World Cup event of the GWA WINGFOIL WAVE WORLD TOUR 2023

which will be held in Dakhla, Morocco.

The dates will be from the 22nd of September to the 01st of October 2023.

This is a GWA Wingfoil World Tour event and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2023 GWA Wingfoil World Tour Rulebook.

Registration

Entry procedure and Registration

All competitors planning to enter a GWA Wingfoil World Tour event shall pre-register through the GWA Wingfoil World Tour website or under the following direct link:

<https://app.wingfoilworldtour.com/>

or via email to tom@globalwingsportsassociation.org or by other means to be specified by the GWA Sports Commission, no later than the published closing date for entries for that specific event.

Ultimately it is the competitors' responsibility to pre-register or to apply for an entry for an event and to ensure that the application has been received timely and correctly.

According to rule 11.2, fines and/or having their next events applications cancelled may be handed out to a pre-registered and / or qualified competitor who, without advanced notice fails to show up at an event.

Complete and signed entry forms for event registration must be signed and complete online after the application of the competitor got approved by the GWA Sports committee by latest one day after the preregistration period closes. Exceptions can only be granted by the GWA Representative.

If a competitor is unable to complete registration at the published time and place in the Race Notice for reasons beyond their control, then the competitor should contact the GWA Representative with details of their delay, and must gain consent for their registration period to be extended. Evidence must be supplied to support reasons showing that the circumstances were out of the competitor's control. Failure to comply with the above will prohibit a competitor from entering the event.

All riders must preregister for the event **by Saturday 27th August 2023!**

The registration mail should contain:

- Full Name:
- Nationality:
- Date of Birth:
- Email



- Telephone/Whatsapp:

All attending riders need to have a valid membership with the GWA to be insured during the participation in the event.

Cost of entry is 80.- Euro for competing in one discipline.

Every competitor needs to hold a valid GWA membership. The GWA membership needs to be obtained before or at the same time when confirming participation for an event and can be paid during the online registration. The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition.

All entry fee and GWA membership payments must be made before the 08th September 2023 via credit card payment through the online registration tool.

Entry restrictions

Entry-fee payments must be made no later than the end of the inscription-time at the respective event. In the case that the full amount of the inscription fee is not paid by the end of the announced inscription-time, the rider will not be allowed to compete. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event.

Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency!

In order to enter the event, parental consent / authorization must be received for all competitors who are under the age of 18 years old at the registration date.

Eligibility

A competitor is eligible for any GWA event if he meets the following conditions:

- He has a personal medical insurance with worldwide coverage. A valid membership card or certificate, or other satisfactory evidence of worldwide medical coverage may be requested.
- The competitor cannot hold the GWA, the GKA Event GmbH or the event-organizer responsible for any claims for damages as a consequence of the competitor not having sufficient personal medical insurance.
- The competitor cannot hold the GWA, the GKA Event GmbH or the event-organizer responsible for any legal liabilities and/or any claims for damages by third parties caused by the competitor.
- He holds a valid competitor's membership with the GWA Wingfoil World Tour

Entry allocation

There is a maximum number of 24 male competitors and 24 female competitors entering this event in the Wave discipline.

If the number of preregistered riders exceeds 24, the GWA Sports Commission will select the GWA Wildcards based on their participation and results in other international and national events as well as their wingfoil merits. For riders aiming to enter through a video wildcard application, their application video needs to be submitted via the GWA Riders App: <https://app.wingfoilworldtour.com/>

The GWA will publish the GWA wildcard allocation latest on 26th July 2023, two days after the end of preregistration.



GWA Wave	
CATEGORY	24 Wave Riders
Seeding List	1-8 current Rankings
GWA QS	N/A
GWA Selection	9 - 18
Video Wildcards	19-22
Organiser Wildcards	23-24

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After confirmation of participation, the rider will receive a payment link. Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency. In this case an amount of 40,- Euro processing fee will be added to the regular entry-fee.

In the case that the full amount of the inscription fee is not paid by the end of the announced inscription-time, the rider will not be allowed to compete.

Disciplines

There will be one official World Cup disciplines in this GWA Wingfoil World Tour event.

Wave

Divisions:

Pro Men (Surf-Freestyle/Surf-Slalom/Wave): Any age (**minimum 14 years old in the year of competition**)

Pro Women (Surf-Freestyle/Surf-Slalom/Wave): Any age (**minimum 14 years old in the year of competition**)

There is a minimum number of **4 competitors needed** to run a separate division, otherwise all male and female competitors will run together in one division.



Seeding

The seeding for the entry allocation to the GWA Wingfoil World Cup 2023 in Dakhla, Morocco will be done according to the current world ranking.

RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	COUNTRY
1	Hugo	Marin	France
2	Benoit	Carpentier	France
3	Wesley	Brito	Cape Verde
4	Clement	Roseyro	France
5	Malo	Guenole	France
6	Noe	Cuyala	France
7	Cash	Bertzolla	United States
8	Tom	Auber	France
9	Mizo Fernando	Novaes	Brazil
9	Gregorio	Pugliese	Italy
11	Zane	Schweitzer	United States
12	Hendrick	Lopes	Switzerland
13	Julien	Rattotti	France
13	Bastien	Escofet	France
15	Julien	Bouyer	France
16	Vinnicius	Martins	Brazil
17	Marius	Auber	France
17	Otis	Buckingham	United States
17	Theo	Demanez	France
20	Camille	Bouyer	France
20	Kauli	Seadi	Brazil
20	Titouan	Galea	New Caledonia
20	Axel	Gerard	France
20	Christopher W	MacDonald	United States
20	Pablo	Padilla de Armas	Spain
26	Leon	Schiel	United Kingdom
27	Xavier	Corr	Spain
27	Rodrigo	Morais	Brazil
27	Charly	Martin	Reunion
27	Kiran	Verma	Australia
27	Antonio	Correa	Brazil
27	Levi	Lenz	Brazil
33	Arthur	Thebault	France
33	Chucho	Nonnot	France
33	Francesco	Cappuzzo	Italy
33	Noah	Angulo	Cape Verde
33	Lilian	Juppet	France
33	Max	Robinson	Canada
33	Yaris	Dell'omo	Italy
33	Fabian	Muhmenthaler	Switzerland
33	Luca	Gasperini	Italy
33	Giulio	Gasperini	Italy
33	Yuri	Jonhannes	Brazil
33	Freddy	Brito	Cape Verde

RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	COUNTRY
1	Nia	Suardiaz	Spain
2	Moona	Whyte	United States
3	Bowien	Van Der Linden	Netherlands
4	Rocio	Reigert	Argentina
5	Elena	Moreno Romero	Spain
6	Leticia	Nakiri	Brasil
7	Flora	Artzner	France
7	Manuela	Jungo	Switzerland
7	Sofia	Marchetti	Italy
7	Julia	Castro	Spain
11	Charlotte	Baruzzi	Italy

Important Info

- All riders need to wear a helmet during competition!
- For Surf-Slalom discipline an impact vest is mandatory!
- For Surf-Freestyle discipline, the Race Director can decide impact vest is mandatory.
- Competitors have to wear the official lycra at all times when proceeding to the water – also during training.
- Each rider will get one competition riders' vest at the registration. Each rider is responsible for his competition riders' vests. In case of loss a replacement is not possible!



- Competitors shall wear the event advertising lycra vest supplied by the Event Organizer over all other clothing, including harness on the water at all times during the event and one (1) board sticker to be placed on the top and on the bottom of the board.
- All competitors are required to abide by the advertising rules as laid out in the Rule Book. Competitors breaching these rules may be warned in writing for the first offence and may incur a fine at the second offence of not more than \$ 500 for each violation.
- All rider meetings and opening/closing ceremonies in the schedule are mandatory to all riders. Please be on time and ready.
- The Riders ID-Strap authorizes you to enter the equipment storage tent. You will receive the Riders ID-Strap personally and only at the registration.
- Riders are not permitted to publicly associate their names in non-authorized parties/autograph sessions.
- There will be a social event-calendar for each side event that all riders have to join via social media and share.
- Please use these media hash tags for all social media posts:
@wingfoilworldtour #wingfoilworldtour #globalwingsportsassociation #gwawingfoil #wingfoil #wingsurf #GWACapeVerde

Membership

Every competitor needs to hold a valid GWA membership. The duration of GWA membership is from the first to the last event of the WWT season.

Membership fees shall be determined by the GWA at the start of the year and may be changed at any notice during the course of the year.

At the end of the inscription-time, the rider must be able to prove a valid GWA membership. After confirmation of participation, he will receive a payment link. Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency.

The cost of the GWA membership is 80 € for competing in one event and 160 € per year (to be paid 80 € at the first event entered and 80 € at the second event entered. The total amount of 160 € can also be paid in once at the first event for the complete year. Membership fees are excluding event fees.)

The GWA membership fee for Local / National Wildcard holders is reduced to 20 € for competing in one event and 100 € per year (to be paid 20 € at the first event entered when receiving a wildcard and 80 € at the second event entered).

The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition. Benefits are only provided in accordance with the current ERAG insurance policy. The GWA Wingfoil World Tour, the GKA Event GmbH, the Global Wingsports Association cannot held liable for any legal and/or financial liability, losses, damages, which might occur from the participation in the competition/event.

Please note that the insurance is only valid for riders not competing in their country of residence. Local riders are **not** insured through their GWA membership.

Equipment storage

There will be secure storage for all riders' equipment at the equipment storage tent from the first day until the last. Access only allowed with valid Rider/Caddy ID Straps.

Travel info



Airports: Dakhla (VIL): 15min by car

Airport Transfer:

There will be transfer from Dakhla airport to the competition hotel/event site. If you want to make use of that transfer, then you need to send your flight details to the organizer.

By car: The address of the GWA Wingfoil World Cup Morocco 2023 in Westpoint:

Westpoint Dakhla Hotel
Oum Lambouir
Dakhla, Morocco

Organiser Contact:

Laila Ouachi
Email: ouachilaila@gmail.com
Whatsapp: +212 661290299

Event Location

Westpoint Dakhla Hotel
Oum Lambouir
Dakhla, Morocco

Travel documents and Visa:

If an invitation letter is needed for riders, please email liam@globalwingsportsassociation.org and he will issue you the document.

Accommodation for competitors:

Competition hotel:
Westpoint Dakhla Hotel
Oum Lambouir
Dakhla, Morocco

For all other athletes, there will be a special riders rate up on availability of 55 € per night in a shared bungalow (during the competition) nights before the competition: normal rate according to occupancy - 5% discount nights after the competition: normal rate according to occupancy.

Riders can book via the hotel's e-mail address booking@westpointdakhla.ma or directly with the reservations manager mouad.mousser@dakhla-attitude-com [212 67328147](tel:+21267328147)

For inquiry regarding accommodations contact:

mouad.mousser@dakhla-attitude-com

Tel: + [212 67328147](tel:+21267328147)



Location map:



Weather:

Dakhla at the end of September/early October has a dry climate. The air temperature during day can be between 24°C the highest temperatures and lowest of 18°C. The water temperature of the sea is around 20°C, so bringing a wetsuit is recommended! Sunrise is approximately 08.00h and sunset is 20.00h.

Wind Information

North winds blow side offshore in Westpoint with 15-25 knots.

Event Schedule

Friday 22nd September

09:00-10:30 – Inscription
11:00 – Opening Ceremony
12:00 - `Riders Briefing
13:00 - First Possible start for competition

Saturday 23rd September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Sunday 24th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Monday 25th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start



Tuesday 26th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Wednesday 27th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Thursday 28th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Friday 29th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Saturday 30th September

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Sunday 01st October

10:00 – Skippers Meeting
10:30 – First possible start

Be aware that times of competition can change and will depend on weather conditions. Skippers Meeting for the following day will always be communicated at the end of the previous day!

Equipment

- Only hydrofoils are eligible for use in competition. There are not any restrictions on the size, length and width of the quiver
- The leading edge from the wing must be inflatable.
- Foot straps, pads and wax are allowed.
- The use of a safety leash to secure the wing is mandatory.
- The use of a helmet is mandatory.
- The use of a board leash could be mandatory depending on the conditions. It will be announced by the Race Director and posted in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.

Prize money

The prizemoney for the GWA Wingfoil World Cup 2023 in Dahkla, Morocco will be **10.000 Euro for the Wave discipline.**

Prize money distribution

The full amount of the advertised prize money shall be payable when a valid result stands as specified in the relevant subsections of the GWA Rulebook.

The WWT, the GWA and/or the event organiser have got the right to subtract the competitors' individual withhold-tax from the prize-money to be paid out. The WWT, the GWA and/or the event organiser have got the right to pay the individual withhold-tax on behalf of the competitor to the national tax- authorities of the country in which the event takes place. The WWT, the GWA and/or the event organiser shall give



all necessary information and documents of the tax-payment made to the competitor for his personal disposal.

Ten per cent (10%) of the available prize money (1.000 Euro. at this event) will be allocated to the overall ranking.

The prize money distribution per event between genders will be done equally until 4th position. After that, the prize money will be distributed between genders based on the number of participants. The prize money distribution of each discipline for a valid and completed WWT event is specified in the relevant subsections of this Rulebook.

Prize Split – Surf Freestyle & Wave

- The prize money distribution for a valid and completed WWT event will be done according to the following:
- If there is 16 or more competitors in one gender and less than 16 competitors in the other gender then the prize split will be as followed:
- 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
- 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men
- 20% of total prize money are split between Positions 5-8 of the gender with more than 16 competitors (4 riders in equal 5th place)
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Gender with 16 or more		Gender with less than 16	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	15	1	15
2	10	2	10
3	8	3	8
4	7	4	7
Total 1- 4	40	Total 1- 4	40
5	5		
5	5		
5	5		
5	5		
Total 5-8	20		

- If there are 16 or more competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 women
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 men

16 or more women		16 or more men	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)



1	14	1	14
2	9	2	9
3	7	3	7
4	6	4	6
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
Total	50	Total	50

- If there are less than 16 competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men

Less than 16 women		Less than 16 men	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	19	1	19
2	14	2	14
3	10	3	10
4	7	4	7
Total	50	Total	50

Wave Discipline

Elimination procedure

The Elimination procedure shall be:

- Competitors' names shall be entered on the appropriate elimination ladder according to the event seeding and the heat distribution table below.
- Competitors with no ranking will be distributed in the WWT ladder according to the name drawing that shall be done by the Race Director at the first day mandatory meeting for all competitors before the competition starts.
- "Byes," if any, shall be positioned so that they are allocated to the most highly ranked competitors.
- Competitors shall ride one against one. If there are enough of judges on the panel, it will be possible to run two heats on the water simultaneously. (Split panel).



(v) The declared winners shall advance on the elimination ladder. Once a round is started, the format shall stay the same until that round is completed.

Elimination Ladders – Surf Freestyle & Wave

The elimination ladder used for the WWT Wave events shall be a dingle elimination. with 24, 12 or 6 competitors.

- WWT 24 DINGLE Elimination

ROUND # 1			ROUND # 2			ROUND # 3			ROUND # 4			SEMI FINALS			FINALS			RL	NAME		
HEAT #1 18 11 6	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #9 23046 23047 23048	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #17 15784 15785 15786	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #25 15741 15742 15743	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #11 15705 15706 15707	NAME			Color	RL
HEAT #2 14 3	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #10 23049 23050 23051	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #18 15789 15790 15791	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #26 15744 15745 15746	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #12 15708 15709 15710	NAME	Color	RL	2	
HEAT #3 18 10 7	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #11 23052 23053 23054	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #19 15794 15795 15796	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #27 15747 15748 15749	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #13 15711 15712 15713	NAME	Color	RL	3	
HEAT #4 18 15 7	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #12 23055 23056 23057	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #20 15799 15800 15801	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #28 15750 15751 15752	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #14 15714 15715 15716	NAME	Color	RL	4	
HEAT #5 20 13 5	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #13 23058 23059 23060	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #21 15804 15805 15806	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #29 15753 15754 15755	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #15 15717 15718 15719	NAME	Color	RL	5	
HEAT #6 25 13 8	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #14 23061 23062 23063	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #22 15809 15810 15811	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #30 15756 15757 15758	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #16 15720 15721 15722	NAME	Color	RL	6	
HEAT #7 17 9 8	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #15 23064 23065 23066	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #23 15814 15815 15816	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #31 15759 15760 15761	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #17 15723 15724 15725	NAME	Color	RL	7	
HEAT #8 24 16 7	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #16 23067 23068 23069	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #24 15819 15820 15821	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #32 15762 15763 15764	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #18 15726 15727 15728	NAME	Color	RL	8	

- WWT 12 DINGLE Elimination:

ROUND # 1			ROUND # 2			ROUND # 3			SEMI FINALS			FINALS			RL	NAME					
HEAT #1 10 6 3	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #5 23075 23076 23077	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #9 15795 15796 15797	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #13 15719 15720 15721	NAME	Color			RL	HEAT #11 15705 15706 15707	NAME	Color	RL
HEAT #2 11 7 2	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #6 23078 23079 23080	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #10 15798 15799 15800	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #14 15722 15723 15724	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #12 15708 15709 15710	NAME	Color	RL	2	
HEAT #3 9 5 4	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #7 23081 23082 23083	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #11 15792 15793 15794	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #15 15725 15726 15727	NAME	Color	RL	HEAT #13 15711 15712 15713	NAME	Color	RL	3	
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WAVES JUDGING RULES

Waves discipline

The Wingfoil Waves discipline is based on the performance of riding in waves and swell. Waves selection, power, variety, and flow are just some of the judge criteria considered in waves. Using the power of the wing is allowed when surfing, except for air tricks, during which only one hand is allowed to grab from the leading-edge handle.

1. General Judging Rules



1. Selection of judges
 - (i) Only the WWT Sports Commission can make appointments and substitutions for an event.
 - (ii) An attempt shall be made to ensure that no judge has a vested interest. There should not be family tie with a competitor.

1. Individual Scoring procedure

1. Judging Criteria are applied to score individual waves.
2. The number of waves counted for the final score will be announced by the head judge. A notice must be made on the Official Notice Board 30 minutes before the heat starts.
3. The maximum of attempts per waves be up to the Head Judge. A notice must be made on the Official Notice Board 30 minutes before the heat starts.
4. One or two panels of judges, each panel comprising an odd number of judges, no less than three (3) in number, shall score each heat. When there are five (5) judges, the highest and the lowest scores per wave or scoring category will be withdrawn and the average scores of the other three (3) judges will be counted as the final wave or category score.
5. If a judge misses a wave they should place an "M" and that score will be given points equal to the average to the nearest thousandth of a point (0.005 to be rounded upward) of the other judges' scores.
6. The judges shall award each competitor's wave or judging category points on a scale from 0.1 to 10.0, broken into one- hundredths increments (e.g 6.444).
7. Each individual score is rounded to the nearest hundredths place. The rounded scores are added to calculate the final score.
8. The scores of the respective competitors shall be tabulated together to determine the winner: highest points wins.
9. The weight given to waves will be announced by the Head Judge and in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.
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11. If a competitor lands the trick on a wave wet and doesn't lose the board, the judges will still give some credit to the trick. It's at the discretion of each judge to consider if it's a crash or a wave attempt land to consider how much credit they will give to the wave, based on the judge criteria.

2. Other judging rules



1. A flag out system may be used to eliminate the competitor with the lowest scores and continue the heat keeping the current heat scores from the remaining competitors on the heat. In case of tie, it will be broken in favour of the competitor with the highest single score. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, each competitor's individual scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, even if some of them are excluded scores, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the competitor with the best individual score.
2. The judging marks and scores of each individual judge shall be shown only to competitors in that heat, on their request.
3. Competitors are not allowed to stay in the judge's tower. If a competitor wants to check his judging marks and scores, he shall ask for consent from the Head Judge to enter the judge's tower.
4. The scores and the decisions of the judges shall not be appealed.
5. The Head Judge must be sure that the judges do not discuss scores.
6. Judges may not change their scores. If there are any mistakes the judge should have the Head Judge make the correction for them. The head judge has the last word.
7. The Head Judge may re-run a heat if there is strong evidence that there is a major discrepancy in the judging scores from each individual judge, or that all judges missed a wave or a manoeuvre in a wave that had a scoring potential that may change the final result. If it is possible, the decision to re-run shall be made before announcing a winner of the heat in question.

3. Ties in the individual scoring format

1. In case of tie in the individual score format, it will be broken in favour of the competitor with the highest single wave score. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, each competitor's individual scores included in the total score only, shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the competitor with the best individual score. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, each competitor's individual waves scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the competitor with the best individual score.

4. Ties in the Overall Impression format

1. In case of tie, it will be broken in favour of the competitor with the highest Technical Difficulty score. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, each competitor's individual scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, even if some of them are excluded scores, and at the first point where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the competitor with the best individual score.



1. RIGHT OF WAY RULES IN THE WAVES

1. Wave Priority with Side-Shore conditions

1. With side-shore winds and only one available direction on any given wave, the heat priority works in the following manner:
2. the competitor who has first turned on a swell shall have unconditional priority over the other competitors for the entire duration of that wave.
3. If two or more competitors turn at the same time, with no clear interpretation of which competitor turned first, then the competitor windward has right of way for the entire duration of that wave.
4. Video evidence shall be used to prove that one rider has turned on a swell before the other.
5. Waves Priority with On-shore conditions
With on-shore winds and multiple random peaks wave possession may vary slightly according to the nature of an individual wave.
6. There will be cases where one swell will have two separate, defined peaks far apart that eventually meet at some point. The competitor who makes the first turn shall be deemed to have wave possession and the second competitor must give way by turning or kicking out before hindering the right of way rider.
7. If two competitors turn at the same time on two separate peaks that eventually meet, then:
 - (i) If they both give way by turning or kicking out, so that neither is hindered, there will be no penalty.
 - (ii) If they collide or hinder one another, a competitor will be penalized by the judges if either or both indicate aggression at the point of hindrance.
 - (iii) If neither competitor gives way by exiting the ride and both share responsibility for the confrontation, then a double interference will be called. Both competitors will score a zero for that wave, and each of their best scoring waves are halved.

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32. INTERFERENCE IN THE WAVE

1. Rules for waves

1. a competitor deemed to have possession of a wave has unconditional right of way for the entire duration of that ride. This rule prevails in case of conflict with other(s) 19.1 right of way rule(s).
2. any one who stands up in front of a competitor with right of way has the chance to ride or kick out of the wave without being called interference, unless they hinder the scoring potential of the competitor with right of way by any means. These include excessive hassling, including with their wing from behind, or breaking down a section.
3. if a second competitor surfs another section of the same wave, upwind or downwind, but has not hindered the original competitor with right of way by taking the same wave then the judges may choose not to penalise them even though they don't have right of way, and will score both competitor's surfs. if in the opinion of the judges, the second competitor has interfered with the original competitor with right of way, by causing them to pull out or lose the wave, then interference may be called on the second competitor, even though they were on another section upwind or downwind of the first when the interference was called.
4. if a competitor with right of way misses or falls off their wave, they shall keep clear of the following wave if another competitor has possession on that wave, if reasonably possible. If a competitor cannot complete their wave due to another competitor being capsized in the wave, causing possible loss of scoring potential, the affected competitor's heat may be re-run and an interference may be called. The Head Judge and Race Director will decide whether it is an interference and whether the heat will be re-run from the beginning, from the moment of the interference, or if extra time will be added if there is a re-run.
5. If a competitor who remains in the water after their maximum number of waves will be penalised for interference if they ride any extra wave that obviously deprives another competitor of a potential wave.

4. Interference penalty procedure for Overall impression scoring



1. If an interference penalty is called on a competitor, then the competitor's final score will be penalised with a loss of 50% of their "Technical Difficulty" scoring. If a competitor incurs a second interference penalty during the heat, they must immediately leave the competition area and won't be scored from that point, losing 100% of their "Technical Difficulty" scoring
2. With two heats on the water simultaneously, if there is an interference between two riders of different heats, the heat will be stopped and may be re-started. Interference penalty may be called and the Race Director will decide whether it will be a re-run from the beginning, from the moment of the interference, or with additional time.

5. Interference penalty procedure for individual scoring

1. If an interference penalty is called on a competitor, then the competitor's final score will be penalised with a loss of 50% of their second best wave or trick score.
If a competitor incurs a second interference penalty during the heat, he must immediately leave the competition area and won't be scored from that point, losing 100% of their second best wave or trick score.
2. Same rule applied as 25.2.2.

JUDGING CRITERIA.

1. Judging criteria for the waves

Judging Criteria are applied to score individual waves ridden. Each judge analyses the following major elements when scoring a wave :

- (i) Degree of difficulty of the manoeuvres performed.
 - (ii) Commitment in the manoeuvres performed and the risk taken to perform them.
 - (iii) Variety and combination of manoeuvres within the same wave.
 - (iv) Speed and power.
 - (v) Flow and linking of manoeuvres.
 - (vi) Size of the waves ridden, directly linked to the degree of difficulty of manoeuvres performed in each wave.
 - (vii) Innovative and progressive manoeuvres.
- It's important to note that the emphasis of certain elements is contingent upon the location and the conditions on the day, as well as changes of conditions during the day.



Competitors must combine the major key elements in order to be awarded scores in the excellent range

(viii) The following scale may be used to describe a wave ridden that is scored:

0 – 1.9 = Poor;
2.0 – 3.9 = Fair;
4.0 – 5.9 = Average; 6.0 – 7.9 = Good;
8.0 – 10.0 = Excellent

Rulebook

<https://wingfoilworldtour.com/rulebooks/2023/GWA%20Rulebook%202023.pdf>

Covid-19 Pandemic Disclaimer

Every competitor must be aware of the Covid-19 pandemic situation and its changing restrictions and regulations on travel protocols and event regulations. In case the event will be cancelled because of reasons not under the responsibility of the GKA, the GKA Event GmbH and/or the Organizer, neither the GKA, nor the GKA Event GmbH, nor the Organizer can be hold legally responsible for any financial losses.

The rider is aware about the global Covid-19 pandemic, which might cause travel restrictions, the changing of laws and custom-procedures worldwide on very short notice. Each rider takes part in the event at his or her own risk, which includes also all travels because of his or her participation at this event. Each rider is responsible for ensuring and fulfilling all relevant individual travel requirements as well as fulfilling all legal requirements for border controls, which are necessary for the participation in the event and for the return home. The GKA, the GKA Event GmbH and the event Organizer cannot be held legal and/or financial liable by the rider for damage and/or financial losses caused by travel restrictions, quarantine measures, flight changes or flight cancellations, tests required for entering or exit countries or because of any other regional, national or international measures associated with the Covid-19 Pandemic.

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As a competitor, I agree to respect the racing rules and in particular:

- 1- to display visibly the sailing-number attributed to me.
- 2- to wear the official event-competition-lycra at all times when proceeding to the water (also during training) as well as during interviews, official presentations and on podium.
- 3- to wear a life jacket and safety helmet during the competition,
- 4- to follow the recommendations and/or instructions provided by the crew.
- 5- to place board stickers (GWA Wingfoil World Tour & Event sponsor) on the top and on the bottom of the board at all time during the event (competitions, interviews, media conferences, award ceremony...).
- 6- to take note that all rider meetings, opening/closing ceremonies and media conferences requested by the Event Organizer are mandatory to all riders. I assure that I'll be on time and ready.
- 7- I'm aware that a non-observance of this rule will incur a fine of up to 500 USD. Any competitor finishing in the top 3 positions who fails to attend the awards ceremony on time - without being justified by a force of major circumstance - will incur a fine equal to their earned prize money for the event. Furthermore fine can incur an additional penalty of up to 1.000 USD and suspension for the next event.



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