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2026 Hong Kong National Wakesurf Championships 17-19 Apr 2026 **Bulletin**

Date	17-19 Apr 2026 8:00 – 19:00 on all day (Fall Back Dates: 24-26 Apr 2026)
Location	<p>Tai Po Waterfront Pier, Tai Po Waterfront Park, Tai Po https://goo.gl/maps/ch1mKcEvaLuqjpo68</p> 
Venues	<p>Tai Po Waterfront Pier, Tai Po Waterfront Park, Tai Po - 1-2 areas is/are used for competition Area A :600m x 250m; Area B: 400m x 150m</p>  <p>*Subject to the approval of the government bodies.</p>
Awards	<p>Medals will be awarded to the top 3 positions of each Individual event category including Junior category. Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 positions of the team event.</p> <p>In order to encourage the continuous development of young athletes, additional certificates will be awarded to the top 3 positions within each of the U15–U18 and U14 sub-categories under Junior Wakesurf. However, participants of all ages within each sub-category will compete together.</p>

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Category	Total Quota: 100pax	
	<p>Open Wakesurf A1. Men's Open Skim A2. Men's Open Surf A3. Women's Open Skim A4. Women's Open Surf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HK team selection. - No trick restrictions.
	<p>Junior Wakesurf B1. Junior Men's Skim (U18) B2. Junior Men's Surf (U18) B3. Junior Women's Skim (U18) B4. Junior Women's Surf (U18)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HK team selection. - Junior Participants must be 18 years old or under as of 31st December 2026. - No trick restrictions.
	<p>Master Wakesurf C1. Men's Master Skim C2. Men's Master Surf C3. Women's Master Skim C4. Women's Master Surf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Master Participants must be 30 years old or above as of 31st December 2026 - Master category participants will not be qualified in the HK team selection process. e.g. Master Winners will not represent the HK Master team. - No trick restrictions.
	<p>Amateur Wakesurf D1. Men's Amateur Skim D2. Men's Amateur Surf D3. Women's Amateur Skim D4. Women's Amateur Surf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Previous Amateur champions in competitions organised by HKCWA will be required to compete in the Open/Master category. - Past Open category participants in competitions organised by HKCWA cannot compete in the Amateur category. - No trick restrictions.
	<p>Beginner Wakesurf E1. Men's Beginner Skim E2. Men's Beginner Surf E3. Women's Beginner Skim E4. Women's Beginner Surf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Past top 3 medallists of the Beginner category in competitions organised by HKCWA will be required to compete in the Amateur/Master/Open category. - Trick restrictions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No detachment tricks (Body Varial, Shuv-it, Big spin etc); 2. No surface spinning tricks that are more than 360; No air spinning tricks (alley oop, air reverse, Ollie 180 etc).

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Category Chart

Junior Category
(HK team selection)

Open Category
(HK team selection)

Master Category



Amateur Category



Beginner Category

Note: This only applies to competitions previously organised by HKCWA.

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<p>Entry Requirement</p>	<p>Participants must be Hong Kong residents with an HKID, members of the HKCWA, and hold an IWWF Event Management System License (EMS), (EMS is not required for those who register for the Beginner Wakesurf Categories), to join the competition.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Renewal of 2026/2027 HKCWA Membership & Annual Membership Fee:</u> https://form.jotform.com/260321097224449 2. <u>All participants must enrol through our official website:</u> Individual Entry Form (Deadline: 25 Mar 2026): https://form.jotform.com/260551656006453 3. All participants must enrol through IWWF EMS (<u>Except for Beginner Wakesurf Categories</u>) After the individual entry from Jotform, you must then be registered into IWWF's Event Management System (EMS) https://ems.iwwf.sport/ . <p>Each participant, except Wakesurf Beginner Category, must register to compete in the competition using IWWF's EMS no later than 25 Mar 2026. An entry is considered complete when a participant has registered for the event in EMS and full entry fee payment has been received. Entry fee payment must be made through the individual form.</p> <p>The procedure for you to register in EMS is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participant has to login to EMS 2. Go to My Competitions and Click on "New participation" button. Select the appropriate competition from the list. Filter as follows: <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Country: Hong Kong, China Code "26HKG005" to compete in Wakesurf</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Select your category and click on "Submit Participation" button. Refer here for video tutorial. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For the age group events, the age of the competitor is taken on the December 31st in the current year the event is held. - A first-come, first-served basis will be used to fill up in each category. - The organizer reserves the right to accept or reject, amend the quota of the entry as deemed necessary. - The organizer reserves the right to close entries before the deadline without prior notice. - The organizer reserves the right to close a category if there are less than 3 participants.
<p>Format & Scoring</p>	<p><u>Individual (Wakesurf)</u></p> <p>Each judge will award a maximum of 40 points to each competitor based on his/her overall impression of the routine performed. Each individual heat per division will be judged independently from the other heats. The judges will score the first rider of the heat subjectively and each subsequent rider's performance is judged higher or lower than the first rider's heat based on the subsequent rider's heat.</p> <p>The judges will score each rider in each of the following categories: Wakesurf: Execution - 1-10 Points; Intensity - 1-10 Points; Difficulty – 1-10 Points; Variety - 1-10 Points (scoring can be in increments of .10)</p>

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Team Event

Team Entry Requirement

All team coach must enrol through our official website below:
 Team Entry Form and payment (Deadline: **8 Apr 2026**):
<https://form.jotform.com/260551426683459>

Team scoring

For the 2026 Hong Kong Wakesurf National Championships, the team competition rules are outlined in the bulletin provided below. Please disregard the team competition rules specified in the 2025 IWWF Rule Book.

a) A team consists of a maximum of 6 riders. The best 4 scores from any individual categories will be used to calculate an overall team score.

b) All team riders must agree to participate by his/her own decision. Any false application of team rider occur, the team will be disqualified.

c) Each team rider will be awarded the following points depending on his final placement in his respective category:

- 1st place 100 points; 2nd place 80 points; 3rd place 65 points; 4th place 55 points;
- 5th place 45 points; 6th place 35 points; 7th place 30 points; 8th place 25 points;
- 9th place 20 points; 10th place 17 points; 11th place 14 points; 12th place 11 points;
- 13th place 8 points; 14th place 6 points; 15th place 5 points; 16th place 4 points;
- 17th place 3 points; 18th place 2 points; 19th place 1 point;
- 20th place and all subsequent riders receive 1 point each

With the use of the heat system, there will be instances where riders have finished in a joint position with a rider in a different heat. Relevant placing points will therefore be given to each team rider based on their placement in the heat and seeding.

d) In the event that a category does not have a minimum of 6 riders, the category will still proceed, but points will be calculated as below:
 3 riders = 50% of the standard score
 4 riders = 67% of the standard score
 5 riders = 83% of the standard score
 6 riders or more 100% of the standard score

e) In the event of a tie, the final team placement will be determined by the highest number of first-place finishes (champions). If a tie persists, the greatest number of second-place finishes will be used to determine the final placement and so forth. Should a tie still remain, priority will be determined based on the number of participants entered in the following categories, with greater weight assigned in this order: Open > Junior > Masters > Amateurs > Beginners, until a winner is established.

f) If an individual participates in more than one category (e.g., Open Men Skim and Master Men Surf), they may choose to apply both enrollments toward the same team, occupying two of the four scoring slots on that team. Alternatively, they may split their two enrollments to represent two different teams separately, with their Open Men Skim score counting toward one team and their Master Men Surf score counting toward another team. This decision must be finalized during team enrollment, and no changes will be allowed afterward.

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- g) If a team rider is disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct (except in cases where the disqualification is due to arriving late to the dock or not wearing a bib), no team points will be awarded for that rider. No substitutions will be permitted.
- h) Only sick leave will be accepted as a valid reason for substituting team riders; no other reasons will be permitted. The revised team list must be submitted to the organizer or Chief Judge before the start of the competition.
- i) The top three winning teams must remain for podium pictures; otherwise, they may forfeit any prizes or awards.
All judges' decisions are final.

Registration & Fees

Please note that we will ONLY accept enrolments online.

Enrolments sent by smartphone communication applications such as WhatsApp, Line, Tango etc will be automatically disregarded.

We only accept Visa/ Master card/PayPal for the online payment. Please make a record on your online payment for future reference.

If the event is cancelled prior to the start of the competition, due to bad weather or other circumstances, entry fees will be refunded to the enrolled athletes through the online payment system.

Applications from athletes with outstanding payments from past events will not be accepted unless he/she provides payment evidence or settles the outstanding payment.

Date/Deadline	Remarks
Individual Entry Starts 10 Mar 2026 12:00	<u>Open/Junior Category: \$1100 HKD per category</u> <u>Master/Amateur/Beginner Category: \$1000 HKD per category</u> *first-come, first-served basis will be used to fill up in each category. ** <i>The entry fee is slightly lower for Master, Amateur & Beginner since we will not offer LCQ in these categories.</i>
Individual Entry deadline: 25 Mar 2026 23:59	The organizer reserves the right to accept or reject, amend the quota of the entry as deemed necessary. Late entries may not be accepted without prior approval from the HKCWA Committee and are subject to a HK\$1,000 administration fee. There will be an administration fee of \$1000 HKD for all kinds of appeal.
Team Entry Deadline 8 Apr 2026 23:59	Team Entry Fee is \$1000 HKD *Team forms must be completed through the online system.
Rider List 2 Apr 2026	Competitors' lists will be posted on: HKCWA website www.waterski.org.hk HKCWA Facebook page www.facebook.com/HongKongWaterSkiAssociation/ HKCWA Instagram www.instagram.com/hkcwa

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	After 19 Apr 2026	If an athlete is not selected to compete in the event, their entry fee will be refunded within 6 weeks via the online payment system. Enquiry Hotline: HKCWA (852) 2504-8168 ; Enquiry Email: info@waterski.org.hk
Withdraw & Refund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Refunds will only be given to riders providing a medical certificate prior to the competition, with a 30% administration fee deducted. - For other exceptional cases, submit a request with justifications and supporting documents to info@waterski.org.hk. - The HKCWA Executive Committee will make the final decision based on the circumstances. 	
Rules	<p>Wakesurf Rules: Refer to the following IWWF Rules: 2025 IWWF Wakesurf Rules</p> <p>The Organizer reserves the right to accept or reject any entries and have the authority to amend any judging criteria as deemed necessary.</p>	
Special Thanks to	Subvented by: Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
How to get there	<p>To the competition venue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - By MTR To Tai Po Market Station, transit a taxi to the Entrance at Tai Kwai Street, Tai Po Waterfront Park (大埔海濱公園大景街入口). (\$40) - Call a taxi at (852) 5566-9997 <p>Call a van at GoGoVan: (852) 3590-3399; Total Recall Transportation Centre: (852) 2398-6666.</p>	
Note	<p>Before the competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All entries to be confirmed upon receipt of payment of entry and membership fee. - Entry fee is non-refundable once application is accepted, except in the event of cancellation. - All judges' decisions are final. - Event categories and schedules may be adjusted at the Organiser's discretion depending on weather, time and participant numbers. - All athletes must attend the judging briefing; otherwise they may not be allowed to compete. - By participating in the event Athletes agree that the HKCWA may publish their name and image(s) in any material including official results and rankings and press releases without restraint. <p>During the competition & at the competition venue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No one is allowed to climb over the fence. - No smoking, alcohol or dogs/cats (pets) are allowed at the venue. Violation of the above will result in disqualification from the competition immediately and athletes (both individual and team) will not be eligible to receive awards. - Please pay attention and read thoroughly the Hong Kong Regulations Chapter 132 BC PLEASURE GROUNDS REGULATION beforehand. 	

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- English: <http://www.hkii.hk/eng/hk/legis/reg/132BC/cur.html>
- 中文: <http://www.hkii.hk/chi/hk/legis/reg/132BC/cur.html>
- The Hong Kong, China Waterski Association Ltd., incorporating the Leisure and Cultural Services Department are not liable for any loss or damage to yourself or your belongings. It is your responsibility to safeguard the welfare of any child you bring to the tournament.
- Please respect the instructions given by staff of the venue and HKCWA organisers.
- The organiser and judges have the right to make appropriate adjustments to the categories entered by competitors.
- If a participant is under 18, their parent / guardian must sign their entry form.
- Please keep the site clean at all times.
- No aerial photography is allowed at the venue.
- We do not wish to jeopardize future access to this excellent site. Thank you for your attention, understanding and cooperation.

There will be a member of the HKCWA on duty at all times, please ask if you have any queries.

Bad weather arrangement

In case of bad weather, please refer to the following tables for various arrangements for different types of weather condition. The fall back dates for rearrangement will be after one week.

Tropical Cyclone Warning			
	Weather Condition	Time	Categories yet to be held
1.	If Thunderstorm Warning or Amber Rainstorm Signal or Typhoon Signal No. 1 is hoisted	1pm, the day before the event day	Depending on the Observatory's forecast, the Association may consider rescheduled or cancelled. It will be announced by 6:00 p.m. at the latest
		During the competition	Depends on water condition
2.	If Red Rainstorm Warning Signal or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal or Typhoon Signal No. 3 or above remain hoisted	During the competition	The remaining categories will be rescheduled / cancelled. (Refund arrangement TBC)
3.		At 7 am	Morning Categories will be immediately suspended
4.		At 11 am	The remaining categories will be rescheduled / cancelled. (Refund arrangement TBC)
5.	If the signal or warning is lowered or cancelled before	At 11am	The remaining categories will resume (as below revised rundown) 2 hours after the announcement declared by the Hong Kong Observatory

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Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance	The information provided by you will only be used for enrolment of sports activities organised by Hong Kong, China Waterski Association, statistical reviews, future contact purpose and opinion survey. Only those who are authorised by this Association will have access to such information for the aforesaid purposes. For correction of or access to personal data collected by means of this form, please contact staff of the Association.
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