



# IWWF Event Management System

## Work in Progress July 2020

### ***Introduction***

The development and implementation of the new IWWF Event Management System is progressing. All Confederations/National Federations have been invited to participate in more than 40 EMS video demonstrations world-wide and the system has been tested at several competitions in June thanks to the Norwegian and Swedish Federations. Enhancements are constantly being implemented. Video tutorials have also been created to guide users into the system and feedback from active users is positive.

We should not underestimate the time needed by the Federations to inform their Athletes, Officials, Event Organisers, etc. and to familiarise with EMS. This is why 2020 is a transition year allowing Federations to work on their data preparation and run some selective competitions as tests in EMS in parallel to the present systems. Time is running fast and the use of EMS will become necessary for Ranking List competitions from January 1, 2021 (except special cases approved by the IWWF Executive Board).

Some misunderstandings need clarification in our communication with potential users:

- 1) EMS is not a *“program made for Federations that have no scoring system”*: ALL Federations are using a scoring system, mostly the IWWF standard system. EMS is not a scoring system and no new scoring system has been requested so far by any of our 65 active Federations
- 2) EMS is not *“only for Ranking List competitions”*: EMS is for ALL types of events, from grass-root to International Ranking List to World Championships, homologated or not. The Events Calendar will even include seminars in the near future
- 3) *“EMS doesn’t cover sanctioning”*: NOT YET, BUT a sanctioning module is foreseen in EMS. The Confederations/ Federations will be contacted in autumn 2020 to submit their requirements for such a module (for example E&A homologation fees) and depending on the outcome it will become available in 2021
- 4) EMS is not *“only for water-skiing”*: it includes ALL IWWF present (and future!) Sport disciplines. IWWF is a Family. [CLICK HERE](#) to see our new video *“We Are Family”*!
- 5) The IWWF Licence is not *“only for those who want to be on the World Ranking List”*: It’s applicable to ALL Athletes PARTICIPATING in a Ranking List competition from January 1, 2021 whether they want to be on the Ranking List or not. WHY? see page 2, § IWWF Licence.

### ***Functionalities available today***

- User registration
- EMS general & competition news
- Federation Directory
- Athletes, Officials & Members profiles
- Approval processes for athletes, officials and competitions
- Competition sites information, calendar and registrations
- Registration of Athletes & Officials to competitions
- Migration of historical data
- Download of Athletes & Officials competition participants from EMS to Lion Scoring System
- Upload of start lists and final results from Lion Scoring System to EMS
- Group/Family Account Login (one Login for the whole family or for spouses)
- Data clean-up tool for merging duplicate Athletes and Officials
- EMS user mailing tool (sending emails to selected Athletes, Officials)
- Video Tutorials

### ***Functionalities in roll-out until autumn 2020***

- IWWF Licence as per decision IWWF Congress Malaysia 2019
- Collection of Entry Fees by credit card for organisers
- Calculations of Ranking Lists for all disciplines
- Integrated Titled Events Entry List and Intention to Enter processes
- Major additions of data fields in Athletes profile and competition registration
- Seminars Management
- Various enhancements for more user's comfort, supporting Sports Councils, etc.

### ***Functionalities available from January 2021***

- Requirements for the implementation of the Wakeboard Cable discipline

### ***Functionalities foreseen for development next winter and implementation in 2021***

- Sanctioning module to be developed with the interested Confederations/Federations
- Possible integration of further Sport disciplines: Racing, Show ski? To be clarified
- Specific requirements from Athletes

## ***IWWF Licence***

### ***Why an IWWF Licence?***

- The IWWF Congress 2019 decided to launch this licence to help to finance/reduce costs for organisers to host future IWWF World Titled events especially the IWWF World Open Waterski Championships which includes hosting the IWWF Congress
- This would result in there being more interested parties wishing to bid for this event so the IWWF can select venues with best conditions for Athletes to perform at their very best
- The IWWF is counting on the support of all National Federations and Sports Councils to achieve this goal because it is in the best interest of our Athletes and sport

### ***Will the IWWF Licence be mandatory for all athletes participating in a Ranking List event?***

- YES, it concerns ALL Athletes participating in a Ranking List event from January 1, 2021 (USD25.00 annually or USD7.00 per Ranking List competition). This is not a Licence for those who want to be on the Ranking List but a Licence for those who want to PARTICIPATE in a Ranking List competition
- An athlete may not be interested to be part of the World Ranking List but appreciates participating in a Ranking List event which guarantees a higher level of competition: good site/skiing conditions, experienced & competent technical officials (judges/drivers), first class technical equipment (slalom course, jump ramp, video, boat), publicity (live streaming, public relations, social media, etc.), professional infrastructure and the motivating factor of competing together with high profile Athletes
- **It would be only fair that ALL Athletes participating in the same quality competition pay for a licence.**

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