



HOW TO HOST A GRASSROOTS COMPETITION

Grassroots Competition

- Confirm club affiliation with USA Water Ski
- Determine time and place of competition
- Sanction the competition through USA Water Ski at least 21 days in advance
- Competition size is determined by:
 1. How many skiers can be pulled in one day
 2. How many boats will be used
 3. Personnel requirements (i.e. boat driver, safety)
 4. Time allotted for each participant
- Advertise the competition
 1. Invite the community
 2. Announce time and place of the competition via local newspaper, TV and radio; to other club members;
 3. and to other organizations
 4. Postcard mailings, phone calls and e-mails

Competition Requirement

- Competition must be **ABILITY** based
- Every participant is required to receive a prize. The prize can be a trophy, medal, T-shirt, hat or other promotional item as long as the NSL/NWL/NBL logo appears on the item.
- USA WATER SKI provides \$100 credit toward the purchase of awards and/or competitor medals from Dinn Brothers

Fee Requirements

- Sanction Fee: \$25.00

Types of Grassroots Competition

1. Slalom, Tricks, Wakeboard, Wake Skating, Wake Surfing, Kneeboard, Barefoot, Hydrofoil
- OR**
2. Upgrade a Class C or above sanctioned competition

Personnel Requirements

Visit the USA Water Ski web site for a listing of certified personnel in your area

- **Boat Driver** – USA Water Ski certified Trained Driver
- **Safety** – USA Water Ski certified Safety Coordinator

Participants

- Full active membership or guest membership required

Equipment

- **Boat**
 1. Any type may be used as long as it is equipped with local and state laws
 2. It must be capable of pulling a skier out of deep water
 3. Each boat must have an observer when pulling a skier
 4. USA Water Ski requires any boat be privately insured with a \$500,000 policy naming USA Water Ski as the additional insured
- **Skis** - Combo skis, slalom skis, wakeboards, kneeboards and any other equipment you think participants might enjoy riding
- **Tow ropes and handles** – standard 75-foot line with good quality handle
- **Personal Flotation Devices** – All participants must wear at least a Coast Guard Type III approved Lifejacket