



**2017-2018 Selection Criteria
Wake National Senior Team**

This document outlines the criteria by which the 2017-2018 Canadian Wake National Senior Team shall be selected. The Wake Canada National Team Committee (WCNTC) shall have the authority to make all decisions with respect to the criteria.

Process Timeframe

Deadline for Submission – October 21, 2017

The following documents must be submitted by email to wakecanada@wswc.ca by October 21, 2017:

- Completed Form 1 (Eligible Sanctioned Pro Events), if applicable
- Completed Form 2 (Declaration of Intent to Qualify for Selection), required
- Extenuating Circumstances Submission, if applicable

National Senior Team

Introduction

Water Ski and Wakeboard Canada's (WSWC) overall wake program goal is to support our country's top athletes as they strive to achieve success at our sport's highest level of competition and performance.

The Canadian Wake National Team is a two-tiered program which consists of a:

- five (5) member National Senior Team
- eight (8) member Development Team (see separate selection criteria for Development team)

Senior Teams' Goal - to achieve the highest level of international success in the Pro and Open categories of world titled events and recognized pro events. (Emphasis is on world championships).

Prerequisites for Eligibility

To be eligible for consideration to the Canadian Wake Senior National Team, the athlete must be:

- A member in good standing with WSWC
- A member in good standing with their Provincial Sport Organization
- Are deemed eligible by the International Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation and World Wakeboard Council (IWWF & WWC) or World Wakeboard Association (WWA), as the case may be
- Have competed at the 2017 Canadian National Wake Championships and / or the 2017 Canadian National Wake Park Championships
- Have competed at the 2017 IWWF or WWA World Championship(s)
- Hold a valid Canadian passport

Note: Riders are only eligible to be selected to one team within the National Team program.



Minimum Qualifications

In addition to the pre-requisites noted above, the minimum standards to be considered eligible for nomination to the Wake Senior National Team are:

- Participation at the 2017 Canadian National Wake Championships and / or the 2017 Canadian National Wake Park Championships
- Completed Form 1, if applicable
- Completed Form 2

Achieving a qualification as above does not necessarily earn selection. Selection is subject to further process outlined below.

Selection Term

Subject to the rider signing a WSWC Athlete Agreement, the term of team selection shall be for one year, from September 1, 2017 to the close of the 2017 Canadian Wake Championship.

Positions Available

The 2017-2018 Wake National Senior Team will be comprised of five (5) members from the following disciplines:

- Two (2) female wakeboard athletes
- Two (2) male wakeboard athletes
- One (1) wakeskate athlete (either male or female) from either cable or boat

Selection Criteria

National Senior Team – WAKEBOARD POSITIONS

Selection to the 2017-2018 Wake National Senior Team will be determined on the basis of results at 3 major events. This includes the Canadian Wake Championships, and 2 other identified major event (See Form 1). Riders can select a pro event instead of nationals if the pro event is on the same weekend. Only results from the open or pro divisions (including JR. pro men) will be taken into account for the selection process. The events to be considered must be in the same discipline (i.e.: boat events only count towards points). Those with the highest calculated points will be selected to the team.

2017 Canadian Wake Championships (Open Divisions)	2017 World Championships (either WWA or IWWF)	2017 Major Event (Pro Divisions)
1st place - 10 points	1st place - 15 points	1st place - 10 points
2nd place – 9 points	2nd place – 12 points	2nd place – 9 points
3rd place – 8 points	3rd place – 10 points	3rd place – 8 points
4th place – 7 points	4th place – 9 points	4th place – 7 points



5th place – 6 points	5th place – 8 points	5th place – 6 points
6th place – 5 points	6th place – 7 points	6th place – 5 points
Semis – 4 points	Semis – 6 points	Semis – 4 points
Quarters – 3 points	Quarters – 5 points	Quarters – 3 points

Should a rider so qualified decline the National Senior Team selection invitation, vacant spots will be filled by the next highest ranked rider. Should the Top 3 Women or Top 5 Men decline, selection of riders to vacant spots shall be at the sole discretion of the WCNTC, which may or may not take into account results used in the above criteria.

Should there be a tie; the decision will be at the sole discretion of the WCNTC based on the level of national team program participation and future competition success.

National Senior Team – WAKESKATE POSITION

Selection to the 2017-2018 Wake National Senior Team will be determined on the basis of results at 3 major events. This includes the Canadian Wake Championships, and 2 other identified major events (See Form 1). Riders can select a pro event instead of nationals if the pro event is on the same weekend. Only results from the open or pro divisions will be taken into account for the selection process. The events to be considered must be in the same discipline (i.e.: boat events only count towards points). The one wakeskate rider with the highest calculated points will be selected to the team.

2017 Canadian Wake Championships (Open Divisions)	2017 World Championships (either WWA or IWWF)	2017 Major Event (Pro Divisions)
1st place - 10 points	1st place - 15 points	1st place - 10 points
2nd place – 9 points	2nd place – 12 points	2nd place – 9 points
3rd place – 8 points	3rd place – 10 points	3rd place – 8 points
4th place – 7 points	4th place – 9 points	4th place – 7 points
5th place – 6 points	5th place – 8 points	5th place – 6 points
6th place – 5 points	6th place – 7 points	6th place – 5 points
Semis – 4 points	Semis – 6 points	Semis – 4 points
Quarters – 3 points	Quarters – 5 points	Quarters – 3 points

*In the case of a 4 person final the value of semis and quarters will increase by 1 point.



Should a rider so qualified decline the National Senior Team selection invitation, vacant spots will be filled by the next highest ranked rider in that division. Should the Top Pro/Open Wakeskater decline, selection of a rider to the vacant spot shall be at the sole discretion of the WCNTC, which may or may not take into account results other than the Canadian Wakeboard Championships and/or Canadian Cable Park Championships.

Should the same rider place Top 1 in both the Canadian Wake and Cable Championship, it is at the sole discretion of the WCNTC which position that rider shall fill.

Competition Readiness

The WCNTC may, at any time, and at his discretion, disqualify an athlete from being considered for selection to the Canadian Team or remove an athlete after selection if, due to illness, injury, lack of physical fitness or other reason which affects the athlete's ability to perform, the WCNTC believes it unlikely that the athlete will be able to perform at a level consistent with the scores upon which the selection of the athlete to the Team would be or was based. The WCNTC will advise the affected athlete of his decision. Such a decision may be appealed in accordance with WSWC's Appeal Policy.

Major Benefits to Team Selection

Riders who accept to be become members of Wake National Senior Team acknowledge that:

- Financial assistance towards identified training and competitive opportunities will be extended to the Wake National Team, in accordance with and within the limitations of the Wake Canada high performance program budget (National Team Enriched Funding Program)
- Benefit from services from AthletesCAN, amongst others that may become available. Some services offered currently are: Bell Athletes Connect, Dale Carnegie Speakers Training and Sport Solution. (It is up to the athlete to communicate with AthletesCAN directly to inquire about the services they are eligible for)
- Possibility of financial support and selection to the Canadian National Team to represent Canada at identified International Events
- Status as a member of the Wake National Senior Team, and all such publicity and personal sponsorship privileges that may be enjoyed

Extenuating Circumstances

If extenuating circumstances prevent an athlete from competing in the required number of events or adversely affect the athlete's performances, the WCNTC may make exceptions to the selection criteria. If an athlete wants the WCNTC to consider making exceptions to the selection criteria, the athlete must make a written submission to the WCNTC. The written submission must be submitted by email (wakecanada@wswc.ca) by October 21, 2017. Following receipt of the submission, the WCNTC may require additional written information from the athlete. The WCNTC's decision will be communicated to all athletes who may be affected by the decision.

Appeals

An athlete may appeal any decision made pursuant to this document. An appeal shall be made and dealt with in accordance with the most recent version of WSWC's Appeals Policy. A copy of the Appeals Policy is available from WSWC upon request and is posted on the WSWC's website at www.wswc.ca.



Declaration of Intent to Qualify for National Senior Team

In order to be considered for National Senior Team selection a Declaration of Intent to Qualify for Selection must be submitted by email (wakecanada@wswc.ca) by October 21, 2017. See Form 2.